

**Minutes of Site Council
Sycamore Elementary School
December 6, 2011**

Present: Ken Graff (KG) - non-voting member, Principal

Tori Janes (TJ) - member

Mary Fosdick (MF) - President

Devon Smith (DS) - member

Keri Harvie (KH) - non-voting member, PTA President

Trisha Douglass (TD) - Secretary

Carrie Payne (CP) - member

Tiffani Laye (TL) - member

1. Call To Order

Ms. Fosdick, President, called the meeting to order at 16:32.

A. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Fosdick presented the minutes from the Sycamore Site Council Meeting dated 10/20/11 to council for approval. Mrs. Payne moved to approve the minutes and Ms. Jane subsequently seconded. The motion passed and the minutes were entered into the record.

B. Reports

i. Members Report

1. Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

Ms. Harvie, the PTA President presented the report on the Sycamore Elementary Parent Teacher Association.

Ms. Harvie reported that the monies from the Read-a-thon have been totaled at \$11,000.00 with only 23% of student participation.

Ms. Harvie also reported on the Annual Pancake Breakfast and craft fair. Approximately 500 - 600 people attended. It was a big success with a net of about \$1200.00. Dance Zone performed as well as the Sycamore Choir and there were about 35 vendors participating, including the book fair which made \$1800.00 just o Saturday morning alone.

The Annual Family Dance is scheduled for the 2nd weekend in January with a theme of outer-space.

ii. Administrative Reports

1. Student Council / Stinger City

Mr. Graff reported on the Student Councils canned food drive was a success with a collection of 7000 cans. They donated cans to St. Rita's, used some for baskets and also created a food pantry here at Sycamore.

NEHS made a trip to Marshall House to help serve Thanksgiving dinner.

Student Council did pictures with Santa at the pancake breakfast.

Stinger City will be having the market place in January instead of December this year. Ms. Connelly sent out forms for business owners and vendors.

Peace patrol and Stinger Court are busy at work and have a case going now involving bullying. These groups will be making a trip to the Tucson City Courts to see the system in action.

3. Administration

Benchmark II testing is completed and reports will go out with grades on 12/16/2011. Teachers have already begun 3rd quarter standards.

D. Recognition

Mr. Graff recognized Gloria Bernal for identifying needy families for this years holiday food baskets. Tori Jane and Melanie Eastman for assisting with the pancake breakfast and organization. Ms. Cronk and Ms. Condley for the successful canned food drive. Britt Boisclair, Julie Duvall, Kathy Goolsby, Chris Garrison, Georgia Johnson, and Sarah Irvin for attending the 3 day workshop on Student Solution Teams put on by MASMS. (This program replaces CST in identifying student needs and implementing interventions).

Tori Janes recognizes Colleen Elkins the book fair, and Keri Harvey for her hard work and dedication.

Kerri Harvie recognizes Mr. and Mrs. Graff , Mr. Edwards for playing Santa at the pancake breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. Goff for assisting at the pancake breakfast, and Kevin Judd for who served pancakes throughout the entire morning.

Mary Fosdick recognizes all the people including Mrs. Tankersly, and Mr. Graff for getting word out for the override.

2. Consent Agenda

Ms. Connelly, 4th grade classes to Tumacacori Mission 3/28/2012

Ms. Connelly, 4th grade classes to Tumacacori Mission 3/29/2012

Ms. Bernal and Peace Patrol/ Stinger Court to Tucson City Court TBA

Carrie Payne motioned for approval of field trips with a second from Trisha Douglass. Field trips approved by all.

3. Old Business

A. Current Enrollment

Current enrollment is up to 827 students.

Tentative projections for next year enrollment is 850.

Expect 4 - 5 new teachers to be added for next year, we will need to assess how many staff to add and where to add them too.

B. Staffing

Mr. Callahan has resigned effective December 16, 2011. Mrs. Strait will move into this Mr. Callahan's position and will hire new 1/2 time ELL.

Mrs. Stough on maternity leave until February Joyce Ann Harris took over class.

Parapro Kelton Trejo hired for new student.

C. Facilities

There was vandalism on school property over Thanksgiving weekend. Three windows facing the playground were damaged and are being fixed this week. Considering placing camera's around the school.

We have \$8000.00 expected for facility usage which could go towards the cameras.

Have had good feedback on parking lot traffic.

New sign looks great.

4. New Business

A. Solar Project

No new information at this time

B. Site Council Goals

First benchmark we are meeting math and reading goal.

C. Tax Credit

Letter written by Mary Fosdick to go out to parents to encourage tax credit for school.

5. Next Meeting

Thursday January 19, 2012 at 4:30.

6. Adjournment

Devon Smith motioned to adjourn meeting, Carrie Payne second the motion. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m..