



SANTA ROSA
FRENCH-AMERICAN
CHARTER SCHOOL

1350 Sonoma Ave
Santa Rosa, CA 95405

SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Nov 3, 2015

Meeting Location: SRFACS Library

Recorded By: Jennifer Koelemeijer

ATTENDANCE □ □

Pascal Stricher □- Principal

Nas Salamati - Founder

Kathleen Larsen - Community Representative - **not in attendance**

Jennifer Koelemeijer - Parent Representative

Cloud Devine - Parent Representative

Richard Johnstone - Teacher Representative

Bertrand Le Rebours - Teacher Representative

Melinda McCullough - Classified Staff Representative

MEETING START:

Meeting Schedule Start: 5:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

SAB Meeting MINUTES 9/29/15, Approved online before meeting

APPROVAL (Update) OF AGENDA:

- Move Budget to the end of action items
- Add Academic Coordinator/ Harmonization Project
- Add Review of Action Items from previous meeting to Agenda
- Move Budget to the end of action items

Approval of additional agenda items: Bertrand moves and Nas 2nd

Time keeper absent - Natasha o'Keeffe keeping time

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Presentation: Spirit Day

Jennifer Jimenez and 3 students - Encouraging students to support and provide creative suggestions for free dress days. Spirit day presentation, 3 students propose different themes to be held every other month. Questions; how to chose the theme? student vote/ survey, forum, calendar/ holiday driven, mascot/ school values spirit idea.

Action Items: Students to come up with plan and dates that spirit days should be held and will present at following meeting for approval.

Cindy Avanel, parent- where can parents voice suggestions for **School Lunch Program**, re: menus, food quality, service timing during ½ day, concerns about lack of variety, menu choices. Need creation of structured feedback tool to help minimize food wastage and increase/ support school lunch participation.

Action Item: Pascal will discuss with the District's Child Nutrition Services Director, Bryan Nyberg and SRFACS Chef Douglas Richey to determine next steps - will likely include parent volunteers supervising lunch to help observe and give feedback to Douglas and Pascal. Pascal to report at next meeting.

Wendy Sewell, parent - **Accelerated readers program progress?** Lexia K-5 instructional tool exists in other school programs. Need support for advanced readers.

Action Item: Pascal to discuss with English teachers and request Lexia, to report at next meeting.

Subtopic -- Curriculum question - how does the french and english curriculum meld/ harmonize and cover all necessary topics? Richard: "rethink math" cirr. good example, Let's Go Learn supports - 3 times per year oct, jan and may. Natasha - Lymboomath.com for math good tool

Jeff Gospe, parent and CFO Parent Association Foundation:: **Education Block Grant Fund** - Grant funding being provided to school district to support learning - **Action Item:** Jeff Gospe to send info to Pascal

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: None

AGENDA:

Review of Annual Parent Survey Results: Need # of respondents and % of response of population vs previous years.

Action Item: 3 - 4 items that need focus. Add these items to coming agenda, main discussion item. Pascal to meet with teachers to discuss results. Nas to provide additional information about participation rates.

Subtopic: Dr Fred Genesi presentation for parents perhaps in January.

Action Item: Najine Shariat to contact Dr Genesi to set up presentation

Subtopic: Question about enrolling students after 2nd or 3rd grade with no french language skills in future? OCT 24 ENVOYEE SPECIAL Student of Shanghai best practice

Middle School/ Facility update - next year: 2 six grade classes, need separated 7th and 8th classes. Options: 1. bring in portables to this campus to accommodate for short term and develop new campus long term. 2. Create satellite classrooms for 6 - 7 on other middle school campus for short term and develop campus for long term. 3. propose need for larger campus for k-8 to school district and show support for idea at community hall type meeting. 4. find middle school to partner with that can host our middle school on their campus and be complementary to our program. Clear intention for concerted effort and action expressed by all.

Action Items: Najine Shariat to research SRACS partner option and spearhead further development of vision for K-8 larger campus option. Pascal to meet with school district to discuss options. Options and research to be presented at next meeting.

Curriculum harmonization: Teachers don't have bandwidth to rewrite or harmonize French and American curriculum, need support. Ideally hire new staff to support curriculum harmonization for long term. Position would handle curriculum harmonization, identification of technology needs based on curriculum, communication with parents about curriculum. Position proposed for next year. For this year, ask 3-4 teachers to work 10-15 hours a month to harmonize and communicate curriculum harmonization on a project basis. Funding through Foundation?

Action item: Bertrand Le Rebours to draft proposal for Project and Position to submit to Foundation for funding. Bertrand to send draft to Jen Koelemeijer for review.

Budget review: Budget distributed, move to next meeting Agenda. Moved by Jennifer,
Seconded by Nas

Review of ACTION ITEMS FROM SEPT 29 2015

1. Prepare and provide Safety Plan - DONE
2. Submit memo of intent and picture to Nas for SAB website - All Board Members,
Deadline NEXT MEETING.
3. Review Parent Survey and Student Survey - to continue at next meeting
4. Follow up on progress of International Middle School/ Facility: Continue next meeting
5. Determine Library day work day and add to Signup Genius - DONE, Purchasing plan for
books complete

Next meeting scheduled for Dec 1st at 5pm in the Library.

Dates and times of upcoming SAB meetings for the year:

Dec 1, Jan 26, Feb 23, March 29, April 26, May 24 - 5 pm at SRFACS library.