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## ***SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES***

Meeting Date: September 19, 2012

Meeting Location: SRFACS Library

Approval:

Recorded By: Emmanuelle Benefield

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## **ATTENDANCE**

Najine Shariat  
Nas Salamati  
Emmanuelle Benefield  
Pascal Stricher  
Jon Custer-Topai  
Michelle Custer-Topai  
Bertrand Morelle  
Clemence Spita  
Clelia Gimbert  
Kathleen Helleskov  
Jennifer Schwinn  
Peyton Willert  
Tiffany DiNardo  
Steve Craig

## **1 MEETING LOCATION**

Address: 1350 Sonoma Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95405

## **2 MEETING START**

Meeting Schedule Start: 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Actual Start: 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Scribe: Najine Shariat

## **3 AGENDA**

Discussion about how to achieve goals for SRFACS (academic excellence and language fluency). Need for differentiation in the classroom was discussed.

**Homeworknow website: each teacher can have a webpage and post the homework and lessons. \$395/year for the entire school. 90 day free period. P. Stricher would like the teachers to decide what tool they want to use. P. Stricher asked the teachers to use the “cahier de texte.”**

**Discussion about the Accelerated Reader (AR) Program. P. Stricher agrees it is “a great tool” and it will be implemented. Price was discussed. The librarian technician needs to be involved. Parents could help with assessment.**

**C. Spita raised the need for technology in the classroom.**

Teacher Communication – Parents offered ideas for websites to improve communication. The teacher representatives are in charge of presenting this offer to their colleagues on Wednesday, September 26.

Kathleen Helleskov reported on her meeting with Anna Guzman, Liz Newman and the two English teachers, Mrs. Henicle and Mrs. Frazier. The goal of this meeting was to create a plan and develop optimum language arts programs.

**American pathway: University pathway that leads to AP or IB.**

**Science: Charter for the Arts hired a “science specialist” the second year of the school to improve the program. There was general agreement that SRFACS will need this kind of program. A. Guzman said she will provide information about the possibility of having a middle school science teacher come and reinforce the science program, at least for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. K. Schwinn will give some kits and will show the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade teachers in the meantime. J. Schwinn will ask her middle school science teacher from Monte Rio to advise on what 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders should be learning.**

Plan for proposed school uniforms. Discussion initiated beginning of the six-month period required prior to a vote.

Enrollment priority – Discussion regarding the formalization of enrollment priority.

**4 MEETING END**

Meeting Schedule End: 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Actual End: 10:00 p.m.

## **5 POST MEETING ACTION ITEMS**

Sharing of the Cali Calmecac Admission Priority document – Mr. Stricher

Principal's letter to include update on the process of adopting school uniforms – Mr. Stricher

## **6 NEXT MEETING**

Next Meeting Location: SRFACS

Next Meeting Date: October 17, 2012

Next Meeting Time: 6:00 p.m.