

Site Council Minutes

Wednesday, March 3, 2010

action needed

Positive Public Relations

- Lori Walter will continue to submit any news worthy classroom/school information with the Santan Sun, AZ Republic, and other local news venues
 - Teachers should be encouraged to submit articles
 - Jackie Littley will be asked to submit a story on Pennies for Patients
 - Teachers/staff members in charge of fundraisers and/or other school activities will be expected to submit articles to Lori
 - Lori will send a copy of her news article submissions to Terry Locke to be added to the district Staff News
- Hawk's Nest to be changed per Coffee Chat with Ms. Branch
 - Katie Rigby to work with Alita Eberlein to change the format
 - Parent Testimony section – parents and/or room moms can email Linda Voss to submit positive parent stories related to school
 - Myth Buster section
 - Parent Deadlines section Featured Students section
 - Student Testimony section – kids submit articles about school happenings/thoughts
 - Top 10 Reasons to Appreciate Your Teacher – grade level chairs will email Linda Voss with a list of teacher requirements outside of the school day – meant to bolster parent support
 - Abridged Hawk's Nest published in movie poster format in front lobby of school (parent idea)

Communication

- Parents want to be included in celebrating their child's special accomplishments during morning assemblies (Honors band/orchestra or other special activities)
- Teachers will discuss importance of positive parent phone calls and how to go about them at March 9 staff meeting
 - Calls should be meaningful & specific
 - Should Nancy & Amy to make calls based on teacher submissions?
 - Is there a required number of calls or time frame?
- Positive Postcards
 - Teachers can send a short positive note through the mail on a predesigned postcard
 - Who will design the post card?
 - PTO may volunteer to pay for postcards and postage
- Quarterly Positive Newsletter
 - Paper copy of school happenings & celebrations to be sent once a quarter
 - Amy & Nancy will be responsible
 - Should teachers email ideas/stories?
- Parent Survey
 - To be ready in the next 1-2 weeks
 - Teachers need to advertise it in classrooms during Student Led Conferences
 - Teachers need to send home reminder to parents with the survey link
- Spring Fling
 - Teachers to provide signup volunteer sheets in classrooms during Student Led Conferences
 - No more emails or letters 'pressuring' parents to donate food/items
 - Smaller baskets are OK and allow for more auctioning variety

Safety

- Perimeter Fence- is affected by location and budget – Independence is near the bottom of the list
- Gravel in parking lots is causing cars to skid and slide – Nancy will look into getting lots swept
- Work orders have been put in to repaint arrows and crosswalk markings
- Nancy is ordering signs for “No Cell Phones” and “No Left/Right Turn” to use during drop off/pick up
 - Nancy will meet with drop off/pick up duty teachers to locate areas of need for signs

New Business

- Next/final 2009/2010 Site Council Meeting will be on Wednesday, May 5 from 3:30-4:30
- Agenda Items for next meeting
 - Compare/contrast school climate from beginning to end of year
 - Spring Fling – how did communication/safety impact it?
 - Goals – did we meet current goals? What are next year’s goals?
 - Revisit public relations & communication ideas