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HOME OF THE BULLDOGS!



Site Council Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2012

Opening

Call to order: 4:04

Roll call: Ann Krogseng, Dan Carstens, Chrystal Leighton, Jesse Bjorkman, Shane Bostic, Char Delago, Verity Feltman.

Postponed approval of April meeting minutes

Approval of agenda

Add District Wellness policies
Site Council calendar and training
Jesse moved
Chrystal second
All approved

Public Comment:

None present

Principal report

A.

NMHS is moving in a positive direction. We have several new staff member: Clyde Swaby is our new welding instructor. He comes to us with 10 years working experience in his field and is a type "M" instructor. We also have Jeremy Anderson teaching music, Jennifer Anderson is our new job coach, Marilee Johansen is instructing a foods class, Holly Jones is the new counselor, Deb Carstens is also working in the counseling office. Tasha Thompson is here three days a week with the college and career grant position and has implemented the freshman transition night that was attended by 90% of the students. Amy Bloom joins the custodial team along with Julie Hobby-Wheeler. We are finishing up with the recently added Lois Solmonson.

Mr. John O'Brien Principal jobrien@kpbsd.k12.ak.us	Mr. Dan Carstens Assistant Principal dcarstens@kpbsd.k12.ak.us	Mr. Adam Anders Athletic Director aanders@kpbsd.k12.ak.us	Mr. Gary Wiebel Counselor gwiebeljr@kpbsd.k12.ak.us	Mrs. Margie Warner Head Secretary mwarner@kpbsd.k12.ak.us
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B.

AYP- NMHS did not make AYP in the area of graduation of special education students. We are one of the only schools in the district that has to make this one marker due to our being a 6-12 school.

CTE- continues to expand and is collaborating with Anna Widman and Vern Kornstad.

School improvement plan will be submitted September 15.

Professional development grant is using peer observations and differentiated teaching to better meet the needs of all our students. Smart boards have been added into the classrooms.

Equipment fund- Submittal date is September 28. List of possible purchases: additional welding machines, floor for commons, laminator, instruments for band for students to check out, office desks, conference table, washer, dryer and an insta- runway for indoor track.

C.

School development plan-Dan.

Goal is to increase student engagement by offering multiple educational opportunities to meet the needs of diverse learning, starting in 2012-13; fulfilled through collaboration and professional development.

Increase graduation rates by forming an attendance committee to come up with a plan to make sure students are here. Modify current school activities to include family and community such as the tailgate get together that the school had before the football game. Freshman transition was also another event. Dan is taking suggestions.

D.

Honors diploma computer classes include digital photography and video photography. Looking to bring honors diploma in line with the Alaska Performance scholarship so students will be eligible to apply for the scholarship. Online social studies will be part of the requirements starting with sophomores'

Integrated honors with Carla Jenness and Joe Rizzo.

District Strategic Plan: posted on web site, please view and send comments to Dan.

Council report

Jesse reports that the kids are doing well. 8th grade is starting an outdoor class and are learning to use a compass.

Events planned are: Field trip to Hilcorp's rec site, Oct.5 first middle school dance, and a middle school first quarter celebration possibly on the Oct.19.

Anna's written report read by Jesse: Homecoming was a success. Canoe races were fun.

Football offense is doing a great job. Students are engaged and excited. Enforcement of rules by admin seems to be working.

Student report by Verity Feltman

Boys and girls are staying positive in spite of recent losses in soccer.

Celebration requirements will be a "C" or better to participate.

Parent report by Chrystal Leighton

6th graders are enjoying school. Lunchroom is calmer. Some students are still having difficulties opening their lockers.

Parent report: Ann Krogseng

Volleyball is exciting and the girls are doing awesome.

Classified by Char Delago

Dress code is still not clear. Some questions by parents and staff. Jennifer Anderson is keeping our students in the work experience program busy cleaning the grounds and the ski trails.

Shane Bostic- Vice Principal

Staff is dressing more professional. Students dress code address by class. Teachers committed to documenting tardies have resulted in minimal activities in the hallway. 465 tardies documented, an average of one tardy per student. He will be giving awards out for attendance and citizenship. Dress code rule are handed out at each activity and students are dressing more appropriately.

Electronics usage has been addressed and staff continues to enforce rules.

Motto for dance is: "Face to face and leave some space." Homecoming was a blast.

PDA is a non-issue this year.

Anne

Site council calendar training date is September 21 and Jesse plans to attend.

Fall goal is the same as school goals.

Two meetings with Nikiski North Star one in November and one in January will need to be set up.

By-laws will be reviewed in March and April.

Next Site Council meeting will be October 9.

Motion to adjourn - Char

Second Jesse

So moved

Meeting ended at 5:35