

Nikiski Site Council Meeting

September 10, 2013

Call to Order:

4:08

Roll: Colleen Wik, Cristine Dhose, Crystal Leighton, Dan Carstens, Anna Widman, Jautcia Hammel, Jesse Bjorkman, Jackie Bates, Ben Carpenter

Motion for Vice Chair to be Colleen Wik by Dan Carstens

Motion Approved

Approval of Minutes:

Dan moves Colleen seconds

Council Reports:

A. Principals report:

- Accreditation: Shane is going to training with Sharon Thompson. Review is after spring break. Staff/Student/Parent survey in October.
- Great freshman transition night. Great parent showing and a lot of valuable information. Ended with games and prizes and positive reviews.
- Safety: All doors must be locked other than the front doors. Problems with portables and students needing to get into the building.
- Modified Block Schedule: Students and teachers like the change for the most part. Working out minor glitches.
- Enrollment: 397 Projected: 389 Last year finish: 365. Enrollment settled out after drops and enrollment.
- 389: Staffing this Year 398: Staffing Last Year. Still need to reach high school or middle school.
- 50 new students 25-30 out of district. Nice influx.
- School Improvement Plan goals and Action Steps reviewed.
- District working to implement new English and Math Standards
- First newsletter goes out the end of September
- Early release will deal with KUD PD Plans: making it clear what students are to do in class.
- Bob Bird is hired back part time.
- ASPI rating replacing AYP. Based on student growth as well as attendance, participation, and others.

B. Teacher Report:

Anna

- Homecoming
- Affirmative Block Schedule
- 2nd Place in Volleyball

Jesse:

- Jesse's outdoor works
- Training for outdoor ed. In Wyoming
- Fall field trip Sept. 27th to Hillcorp for team building
- Middle School Dance Coming up soon.

C. Student Report:

Jackie (HS)

- Homecoming prep sep30 Oct 4th Theme "Picture Perfect"
- Sept 24th going to convention in Seward
- Push to get spirit week out early

Jautcia (MS)

- Block schedule better than last year
- Soccer is doing well as they have won their first girls game

D. Parent Report:

Crystal

- Like block schedule except Friday tests and homework.
- Sports are going well
- Girl drama at a minimum

Christine

- Homework is too much with block schedule confusing information on power school.
- Worries about fundraising for music.
- Many concerns about the math curriculum and how information is heavy and hard to understand.
- Student confirms that there is are multiple chapters and assignments at once
- On-line help is not present.
- Also may have conflict with teaching styles

E. President Report:

F. Community Report, Rachel:

G. Classified Report:

- Block schedule works in the classified setting.

H. Discussion Items:

- School Improvement Plan draft goals
- Attendance Policy
 - a. Over half students here every day last year
 - b. New policy will apply to a small group of students
 - c. 7 absences letter goes home, 15 absences meeting with I TEAM
 - d. Time must be made up at this point or they could loose credit.

- e. Middle School: retention piece
- Good standing policy for dance guests and graduation
 - a. Guests must be in good standing.
 - b. Enrolled, passing, etc. for visiting students.
- Vending Issues
 - a. Wellness says 16oz drinks only during school hours.
 - b. 100% juice only 12oz
- Final Spot for site council
 - a. Mr. Carpenter moved to be a site council member
 - b. Crystal makes a motion Christine seconds.
 - c. Approved

Announcements:

Public Comment:

Date and Time for Next Meeting:

Meeting Adjourned :5:46