

ACCMS SITE COUNCIL

10/16/06

Members Present: Tom Sack, Lori Boos, Eileen Montgomery, Jeanette Martin, Sharon Worley, Linda Boos, Lori Scholz, Shelly Swendson

The meeting was called-to-order at 6 PM by acting Chair, Tom Sack.

Donna Hegwood, a Farm Bureau employee at the Lancaster office, was present as a guest. Tom Sack explained that SITE Council is mandated by the State to be an extension of the School Board. SITE Council has no authority, it is more of a "sounding board".

The minutes from 9/25/06 were read. Tom Sack noted a correction to the minutes: The AYP was met in SPED due to the State lowering the needed scoring levels back to that of 2002. With the amendment to the minutes, Jeanette moved, Linda 2nd to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

STUCO has decided that the Positive Party for the first 9 weeks will be a bowling party. Trevor Oswald and Tom Sack will work out the details.

Facility Committee: No report from the Committee. Tom Sack said the building principals have compiled lists of their building improvement needs and sent these to Mr. Wiseman.

Steering Committee: Tom said the Steering Committee is no longer in existence.

District Strategic Goals: "Hire and retain a Quality Workforce" was added this summer, with the goal being to hire the very best employees possible for all areas.

Power School: This is a computer student management system that will hopefully be in use by Jan. 1, 2007.

Character Education: Mrs. Worley said she will be emphasizing 1 trait a month. The traits will be: Respect, Caring, Responsibility, Trustworthiness, Fairness, Citizenship. Teachers will help support these traits also.

State Assessments: in Writing will begin in Nov. or Dec. for 5th and 8th grade. Math and Reading for 5th through 8th grade will be Feb.-Apr.

Staffing Model: Tom Sack would like to move toward a true Middle School model as compared to a Jr. High type model. Linda Boos commented that she would like to continue hearing about the Staffing models at our meetings.

Student Survey: Tom shared some of the highlights of the Survey with us, and will share with STUCO.

State Assessment and Map Test: Samples were passed out. Tom explained how to interpret these. They will be given to parents at P/T conferences.

Student Population: The enrollment has dropped 58 students from last school year. This will significantly affect the budget. Our District will lose between \$250,000-\$300,000.

New Business:

Linda Boos would like to see that parents are informed of the opportunity to pick grade reports up in the Office prior to seeing teachers at P/T conferences. Discussion followed concerning location of the P/T conferences. The consensus was that P/T conferences are more easily navigated when all of the teachers are located in the gym. Parents can see what teachers are actually available for conferences and also see how many parents are in line to see a teacher. Mr. Sack will have a "straw poll" conducted to see if parents agree with the idea of having P/T conferences in the gym, or if lack of confidentiality may pose a problem.

Tom Sack moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 PM. Sharon Worley 2nd. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelly Swendson