

Northridge Elementary SCC Minutes: October 15, 2013

Members Present: Teri Allred, Colleen Phillip, Steven Bunker, Liberty Mason, Aubrey Ashdown, Liberty Mason, Rosie Curtis, Leslie, Levina, Liz

Absent Members: Rosemary, Shelly, Noelle

Meeting called to order at 1:05 pm by Teri Allred

Pledge of Allegiance: Teri

Reverence: Leslie

Discussion about filling the vacancy for SCC secretary. Liberty Mason nominated herself. No other nominations were put forward.

Nomination of Liberty Mason was seconded by Terri Allred.

Unanimous vote by members present to seat Liberty as the 2013-2014 secretary.

Rosie Curtis reminded the SCC that she is the 2013-2014 co-chair/vice-chair.

Members discussed and established the Northridge Elementary SCC norms.

Levina moved to approve and adopt the following norms.

Motion was seconded by Liberty Mason.

There was a unanimous vote of approval.

Northridge SCC Norms

- 1) We will be on time and be prepared.
- 2) The interests and needs of Northridge Elementary’s students will always be our first and most pressing considerations.
- 3) We will act with personal and collective integrity.
- 4) We will act with good-will and assume goodwill within all members of the SCC.
- 5) We will listen to, value, and consider diverse opinions and perspectives.
- 6) We will be accountable for our words, actions, and reactions.

Discussion over general rules of conduct and SCC meeting protocol as mandated by the granting agency.

- 1) In order for quorum to be met, there need be a minimum of two more parent members present than Northridge Staff. (For example, if three staff are in attendance, for quorum to be established, five parents must be present.)
 - a. Provided this provision is met, voting can take place, and decisions that receive a majority approval will be enacted/adopted by Northridge Elementary and the Northridge Elementary SCC on the whole.

Teacher Report of Brad Wilcox’s recent Teacher In-Service training

Steven Bunker asserted that Mr. Wilcox “knocked the ball out of the park”

Rosie and Liz commented that their students have already “taken the ball and run with it!”

On the whole, the teachers concurred that the training was “very worthwhile, and ‘thank you!’”

District Items:

Principal Philip showed and explained the “cube” that the district has given all administrators. ON each side is something to focus on – 4 essential questions, and values that relate to the mission, vision and goals of Alpine School District. Each month, Ms. Phillip will share one side of the cube with the SCC each month in order to ensure we’re meeting the objectives of the district.

October’s objective: “Commitment to Renewal.” The recent contract with Brad Wilcox to provide teacher training represents one aspect of how Northridge Elementary is meeting this objective in its support of personal, school and professional development.

School Input Plan (SIP):

Discussion around the myriad computer programs/website available to assist Northridge students. In addition to this information having been provided piecemeal throughout the academic year, Ms. Phillip committed to include links and instructions to said programs/websites in next emailed parent newsletter.

Discussion concerning the fact that SCC funding exceeded our anticipated budget by approximately \$7000, and how to most wisely invest the surplus.

Consequent discussion around the technological tool teachers currently have at their disposal.

Recognition that three (3) teachers currently do not have a dedicated classroom iPad.

Recognition that the guided-reading program is currently in serious need of “an upgrade.”

Motion by Terri Allred to purchase the three needed classroom iPads and to use a portion of the remaining surplus to purchase books to enhance the guided reading library.

Motion seconded by Leslie.

Unanimous vote of approval by SCC.

Motion passed.

Motion by Terri Allred to adjourn meeting

Motion seconded by Leslie

Unanimous vote of approval by SCC.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm.