SCC Meeting for October 11th, 2011

In Attendance:	Angela Seegmiller (Chair) Adria Howse Karen Wynn Cathy Ambrose Mindy Harmon Lori Sanders
Teachers:	Sandi West Teresa Whitehead Steve Herrmann Nannette Jensen
Principal:	Rachelle Bollingbroke
District:	Patti Henwood

Approval of minutes from last month's meeting: Sandi West & Teresa Whitehead

Klorox is doing a grant give away as a "popularity contest". We just need to get people to vote regularly. Maybe make up a form and award something as they reach a certain number of votes. WE ARE BEING SELFISH HERE!!!!... hush is the word until nominations are closed ;)

Rachelle read the letter/request for more computers to facilitate the requirement for endof-year testing.

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Elections for the parents went very well and we would like to welcome those who were on there to our SCC committee. Our council size has increased and we have also added another teacher to our committee.

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Nannette Jensen checked out Orchard Online. They have added an academic portion. Take the test, do a group of activities to get you ready. She has looked into \$2,000. After looking into things, there is not time for teachers to get into the computer lab to access this program. Her opinion is to hold off right now because it is not a great deal this year. Get the teachers on board on "ucu-tips" instead for now.

Rachelle Bollingbroke asked: Is there an interest in bringing someone in to train a teacher from each grade level? Steve Herrmann voiced a desire to have the entire faculty trained.

Rachelle Bollingbroke asked the teachers to find the interest level in Elmo Projectors. There might have been one or two that didn't fully understand the significance of an Elmo.

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PLC (Professional Learning Communities) -

We have spent \$ sending teachers to these conferences to learn these intervention strategies.

Mrs, Stewart, Mrs, Giles, Mrs. Robison, Mrs. Whitehead, Mrs. West

Mrs. Stewart: It was nice to see how on track we were. We had done many things we have already accomplished. She could see the big picture but these classes explained, more in depth, the things we could be doing with PLC's. We need to be looking at each little improvement a child is making instead of what level that child should really be performing at. She got a better understanding of how to structure our collaboration.

Teresa Whitehead: Gratifying to see how well we are doing and far along we are. Focusing on the data... common assessments, and collaborating to see where each teacher could improve.

Sandi West: Catch the vision of WHY we are doing these things. Everything we do has to be centered around our children's learning. Stepping back as asking what the teacher can do better to find the help for their students. We have not made it all the way. We still have a long way to go.

Every child needs to be learning and advancing. This program gives intervention at every level.

FLEX is also a type of intervention... allowing the teacher to move on with other ideas instead of staying on a topic or concept for several days.

Alpine School District, in general, is doing a great job of understanding and implementing this idea. Everyone has to understand the implement this for it to work.

Rachelle Bollingbroke: appreciates our SCC for seeing the vision to invest in our teachers. If you just invest in the teacher to learn more and implement it in the classroom it works better than an aide in the classroom. JoDee Sundberg shared this at the last meeting: a study through Harvard -

	Highly involved Parents	Low involved Parents
High Performing Teachers	100% learning	100% learning

Medium Performing Teachers	100% learning	25% learning
Low Performing Teacher	60% learning	0% learning

Steve Herrmann has amazing growth in his class (along with the whole 4th grade)! Anything more than a 3% gain means that a teacher did something significantly different. We had a 4% increase last year... YAY!

26 kids went from not passing the CRT to passing 13 kids had a 1 or a 2 and went to a 4

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Rachelle's Numbers:

Projectors: \$465 - \$581 (contact that can get electronics at a discount)

\$580 - \$590 a year newer technology.

Install projector \$192. Cable \$66. Cable \$29. Totals a little under \$300.

Audio enhancement \$675

Ask Heather about her husband?

Cathy's father knows someone.

The West family at the school.

We could keep the projectors on a cart instead of mounting them on the ceiling.

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Everyone needs to watch the training video and sign a paper letting us know you did. It is very informational.

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Next Meeting November 8th, 2011 @ 11:15 a.m. in room 209