

## Minutes from the OES Community Council Meeting

March 12, 2013

At January's Meeting vote was made to **pay up to \$1700 for Teacher Collaboration as requested by the teachers in their team presentations.** Tim moved to support, and Rachelle seconded the vote. PASSED

**Also a trip to Millville Elementary was voted upon.** Sandy moved to support and Amy seconded the vote. **The cost involved would be \$108 per sub for teachers who go.** This school is a high functioning PLC school, and had the highest UCAS score for last year. PASSED

Mastery Connect Training took place during the February Minimal Day. At this time the teachers just need time to use it and upload their assessments.

We worked on drafting our 2013-2014 smart goal for the School Improvement Plan.

- “During the 2013-2014 school year, at least two students in each class will achieve grade proficiency in Language Arts OR Math, who were not proficient the previous year. And all students will show a minimum of one year's academic growth.
- For Math, the teachers will use the grade level common assessments in order to determine proficiency. For Grades K-2 growth will be determined by the district assessment, and for Grades 3-6 UCAS scores will be used to determine growth.
- For Language Arts, each teacher will administer (with or without assistance) a complete DRA in the Spring to students who were below grade level in January.

Becky Conover and Jennifer Griffith (and Laura Giles, who was attending a funeral) presented on an Art Course they are taking from Scott Flox, who is an educator in Granite District. They shared research that states art in the classroom aids in developing spatial skills and can enhance reading, comprehension, focus, higher levels of thinking, and an increased inclination to write. They shared projects they have each done within their classrooms this year. They also informed us of an Arts Express Conference that will be held this summer \$45 for 2-day conference that enhances the Core Curriculum with the Arts.

They requested funds for art supplies for the 3 classrooms and a day of substitutes, so that they may go observe Mr. Flox in the classroom. **Mary moved to vote for the art request. Granted a day to observe Mr. Flox's class for the 3 teachers (Conover, Giles, and Griffith) and up to \$300 of art supplies, with the stipulation that they detail what they are going to buy, with prices beforehand, and the conference tuition will be paid for up to 10 teachers to attend the Summer Arts Express Conference.** Teresa seconded the vote. UNANIMOUS VOTE in the affirmative.

**Also a vote to purchase 20 iPads from the District for grades 4-6, as well as covers for them, and \$800 of gifts cards for the App Store (one for each grade, and 1 for Special Ed) Totaling \$6,180 for iPads, \$800 for App Store Cards, and \$20 for each cover, for \$400. Grand Total of \$7,380.** Angela voted to pass the vote, Sandi seconded. Vote passed UNANIMOUS.

Discussion was also made regarding [bugbrained.com](http://bugbrained.com) apps...research based apps for literacy. There was also a discussion about a teacher version of the Love and Logic courses.

Next Meeting to be April 16<sup>th</sup> (changed due to conflict with PTA and Spring Break)