

Hamilton Local School Council Meeting
January 20th, 2011
7:00 pm
Hamilton Library
1650 West Cornelia Avenue

Minutes

- I. Welcome
- II. Call Meeting to Order – Stacey makes a call to order, Brent Seconds at 7:04pm.
- III. Review Agenda
- IV. Approval of December Minutes – Minutes approved with one correction, changing “know’ to “no” in the Inclusion Report. Justin moves, Aaron seconds, motion passes 10-0.
- V. Committee Reports
 - a. PPLC (Teachers) – Discussed salting the parking lot, replenishing mice in computer lab and having working monitors on each floor. No motions were passed.
 - b. BAC (Bilingual Advisory Committee) – Their next meeting will be February 18, 8:00am - 8:30am. No Report.
 - c. NCLB – Meeting Tuesday, January 25, 8:00am in the Library. No Report.
 - d. Inclusion – The Inclusion Week planning committee will meet on Wednesday, February 2. The inclusion committee is also working to get seminars to Hamilton parents like IEP Goal writing by Easter Seals. St. Andrews will be notified about the meeting. 8-10 Middle School students have been chosen to be Buddies in the new Best Buddies Program. There will be a seminar and student perspective on February 11. ISBE has declared Special Education and Hamilton “sustained.” Hamilton teachers are going to an Area 2 IEP Goal Writing Seminar. Also see the attached minutes from the committee’s 1/19 meeting.
 - e. Technology – A computer purchase has been made (13 desktops). Two iPads have been purchased for the library.
- VI. Principal’s Report
 - a. Non-Teaching Staff Member Election – Graciela Kierna is running for the non-teaching LSC position. Please see her attached statement.
 - b. Principal’s Report – Principal Gray is looking into several projects that decorate the school buildings façade like banners and metal lettering. The sign on the fence is going up year round. Hamilton will be commissioning Ginny, the mosaic artist again.
 - c. LSC Meeting Schedule for 2011-2012 – We discuss preparing for next school year as though we will not meet every month. Discussion with no motions.
- VII. Budget and Purchasing
 - a. Budget Allocations

- i. Copy Machine – Principal Gray motions to transfer \$4,800 from line 225 for a copy machine payment. See attached request. Steve seconds, motions passes 10 – 0.
 - ii. Kiln Purchase and Installation – A \$5,000 donation has been made to the school. Principal Gray motions to use these funds to buy a Kiln, Justin Seconds, motion passes 10-0.
 - iii. Library/Computer Lab Furniture – Discussion with no motions.
 - b. Internal Accounts – No questions.
- VIII. School-led Fundraising
 - a. Junior Safari Cafe
- IX. Other Business – Public Comments - None.
- X. Adjournment – Aaron motions for adjournment, Brent seconds, motion passes 10 – 0 at 8:04 pm.

Attendance:

Daniel J. Burke, Secretary
Brian Hafner
Steve Hoffman
Stacey Paradis, Chair
Evan Makela
Justin Clifford
Jen Gordon
Brent Pigg
James Gray, Principal
Aaron Baar
Peggy Walsh
Yolanda Luna-Mroz
Tracy Hoffman
Ellie Kim
Margie Kresse
Karla L. McReynolds
Sarah Makela
Jack Ross

The Hamilton Community (Parents, Teachers, Staff and the Community) have proven that we can come together to promote and grow our wonderful school. Please attend the LSC meetings and learn more about the school, what is happening in the 2010-2011 school year, potential plans for the future and how you can get involved!

Attendance at and participation in these meetings is one very important way that Hamilton parents can join the Hamilton administration as partners in helping to shape the educational values, atmosphere and goals for our school.