

## **Parent Council Meeting Minutes April 20, 2016**

### **\*Introductions**

**\*Attendees:** Charmaine Barker, Michelle Marvin, Tracy Lorash, Jenny Bloomquist, JoAnna Lund, Heather Bode, Lori Michelotti, Shannon Brown, Katy Noble, Marc McCauley, Bruce Campbell, Jodi Robertson

### **Teacher Liaison – Katy Noble:**

- Smarter Balanced testing beginning next week, in English classes. Math classes will be testing in two weeks. Please make every attempt to have your students in attendance these next few weeks.
- Fundraiser – was very unobtrusive for the teachers. The homework passes have been working well, students checking which assignments they can use them for.

### **Principal's Report:**

- Charmaine had asked Bruce/Dave to come up w/ ideas for “everyone” to use at CRA. Recommendation was 2 water bottle refill stations.
- Two teachers retiring this year; Karen Rillahan (Mark Sather moving into her position as 7<sup>th</sup> grade social studies teacher) and Susan Gunn (Amanda Hall hired as FLS teacher).
- Reviewed 2016-17 school calendar

### **Cub Companions:**

Marc McCauley is the lead for this 8<sup>th</sup> grade group of students that travel to Kessler or Broadwater school once a week to be mentors to kindergarten students. The grant that financed this program was not renewed in January so Kessler, Broadwater, and CRA are helping this program get through to the end of the year. Parent Council wondering if the Cub Companions might be willing to assist with the HEF Carnival Classic in the fall? Ted Turner grant may possibly be re-issued next fall.

### **SPAC (Superintendent/Parent Advisory Council):**

- Food service waste – high school
- SRO (school resource officer)
- Additional discussion re: suicide prevention programs to possibly be initiated in schools.
- Testing (Smarter Balanced, ACT, EdReady)

### **Approval of Feb. & March minutes.**

### **Cubwear:**

Order forms to go to incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders w/ registration info.

**Microwaves:**

If complaints regarding the microwaves, parents should be directed to contact the main office or Mr. Campbell.

**Spring Funding Requests:**

Jodi will send out the form for teacher requests today or tomorrow. These will be due back to Jodi by May 5<sup>th</sup>. Parent Council will go over these requests at the next meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Fundraiser Wrap-Up:**

The Fundraiser went great! Net earnings were \$19,232!! A few things to tweak for next year, but ran very smoothly. Only 300 students (roughly) participated. Need to try to get more to participate for bigger earnings.

**Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> Graders:**

This year's 5<sup>th</sup> graders that will be coming to CRA next year will be visiting CRA next week to tour and register for 6<sup>th</sup> grade. There will be informational meetings for Parents on April 28<sup>th</sup> and May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Parent Council will have a spokesperson or two at each meeting.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Social?**

Wondering about a send off for the 8<sup>th</sup> graders? Patsy Peach usually coordinates an activity for the 8<sup>th</sup> graders at the end of the year, usually along with them getting their yearbooks. i.e. root beer float party during lunch/advisor or after school for an hour in the courtyard.

**2016-17 Officers:**

Shannon Brown – President?

Tracy Witter – Treasurer

Jodi Robertson - Secretary

**The next Parent Council meeting will be Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, at noon.**