

COMMUNITY COUNCIL Minutes

Sept 10th, 2013

The agenda is as follows:

I. Review Minutes: Due to time constraints, a secretary was chosen to keep minutes. Mrs. Lang will record the events of the meeting electronically. March's minutes will be read at the next meeting along with these minutes.

II. Calendar Events: There are certain events that need consideration as they involve the entire family. It was determined that 6:00-7:30 was an acceptable time. The PTO will support these events by providing food.

III. Title 1

- **School Compact-**Reviewed by committee. Suggestions were made.
- **Parent Involvement-**The committee suggested that a competition to encourage 75% attendance could be held. Some events could offer classes in Spanish or with a translator.

IV. Review 2013 Testing Results

V. Report on Financial Literacy Parent Library:

VI. Parent Communication

- **School Website-**Edyth Lang is the webmaster.
- **Remind 101-**This tool will be used in the future to remind parents via text message of school information.
- **Text Messages-**All phones except pay-as-you-go and home phones can receive emails as text messages. The school is using this strategy to increase communication.
- **Emails-**Short messages can be communicated through Power School.
- **Calling System-**The district is considering purchasing a calling system for the parents and teachers of Springdale Elem.

VII. Report on School Website Development: (Except for a discussion about learning English for free using the Daily Dose, this item was tabled until our next meeting.)

- Report the number of people assessing our website
- Discuss safety procedures for posting school pictures on our website.
- Emailing the link to parents.
- Displaying student art.
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VIII. Fine Arts: There is a need to rethink how we are going to do the Art Auction in the future. (The amount of art in the classroom was discussed. All other items were tabled until our next meeting.)

- Create a “Friends of Springdale” group to donate funding.
- Should take place at the same time as the Plain Air Event
- Online Gallery and bidding
- eBay
- sponsorship, grants..... Beverly Taylor Sorensen Arts Learning Grant, Crayola, etc.

IX. Bond Election-Members were encouraged to promote the bond in November. Taxes would not increase, but stay the same. The “loan” would be used to fund infrastructure i.e. elementary school, updating HMS, etc.

X. Priorities of Chris Snodgrass- 1. Safety, 2. Teacher, 3. Staff Developer, 4. Administrative duties.

XI. Other

- PTO funds come from Halloween (where they break even most times), yard sale, and auction.
- PTO would like to survey parents.
- The committee reviewed the use of t-shirts for spirit day.