

School Site Leadership Team Minutes
June 12th, 2013
Arcadia High School, Room C1
Chairperson: Oliver Beckwith obeckwith@ausd.net

Members Present: Brent Forsee, John Tung, Julianne Curry, Oliver Beckwith, Vania Fong, Caroline Lefever, Alex Ye, Michael Feraco-Eberle, Niroo Dev, Christa Heinrich-Josties, Terri Darr, Vicky Stiles

Guests: Leslie Klipstein, Katrina Villacisneros

Minutes from May were distributed via email, approved by consensus and posted by Alex Ye.

Meeting called to order at 3:13pm

3:13-3:18: Vision and Mission Progress

Beckwith: One correction to the agenda, our first meeting next year will be on October 16th, not September 11th.

Beckwith: I would like to draw your attention to the Wordle document on the back of the agenda; it contains student responses describing our high school.

Forsee: Dr. Shawn out that together from the words students turned in.

Beckwith: At our last meeting we decided to use this as a foundation for our new vision and mission statement. We will be meeting in September and we will be using these ideas to put something together. We should be able to bring something back for the October SSLT meeting.

3:18-3:27: Collaboration – Department Feedback

Beckwith: On collaboration, I have gotten feedback from all our teachers except Julie Curry, and I will defer to her in a moment, but first I would like to report the general feedback from the other departments. The overall feeling from most departments is that there is a general acceptance of the need for collaboration. There is nothing close to consensus, however, with the plans presented.

Darr: With Careers and Technology there is a desire to collaborate, but with other professionals in their field. Neither CTE nor PE thinks banking minutes is necessary to create collaborative time. There is consensus from both groups to collaborate, but not based on any of the proposals that have been circulating.

Curry: I spoke to Math and Special Education. In Math fourteen out of 18 people were generally in favor of collaboration, but nobody favored the proposals. Special Education would like to have collaboration but there was one person who didn't want an 8:00 A.M. start for collaborative time.

Feraco-Eberle: It is the same thing in English department. Teachers don't want the morning meetings.

Beckwith: I move that we table these proposals. But since there is general interest in collaboration I would like to be placed on the agenda at the first Department Chair meeting next year and ask for a group representing each department to continue working on some ideas.

Forsee: Let's ask people how we should pursue accountability as a school. It can't just come as a directive from me. We all want to be trusted as professionals, but how are we willing to be held accountable?

Beckwith: Let's go over that with department heads.

Collaboration proposals tabled by consensus.

3:27-3:30: SSLT Elections

Beckwith: Today's a little late, and I'm not going to e-mail the school tomorrow about electing SSLT members. When we come back in fall we'll put out the notice for teacher elections. It's a good time to do it, especially because teachers will be signing up for adjunctive duty.

Klipstein: How many positions are open?

Beckwith: Three. And hopefully we'll have numerous candidates.

Klipstein: I know of six already.

Beckwith: Outstanding.

Klipstein: I will suggest that they forward their names to you.

Darr: We'll have our elections for officers during our first meeting?

Beckwith: Correct, at the October meeting. We'll elect new members beforehand in September.

Klipstein: What are the officer positions?

Beckwith: Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary.

Beckwith: Since this is our last day I would like to thank Julie Curry and Michael Feraco-Eberle for their service to this group.

Dev: This is my last day (as Parent Rep) as well. We'll have our elections at our first meeting.

Beckwith: Thank you. I would also like to thank Alex Ye for helping us out this year.

ACTION ITEMS: NEXT MEETING

- Pending...

Oliver Beckwith adjourned meeting at 3:32pm.

For the final time,
Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Feraco-Eberle
Secretary, SSLT