



Community Council Meeting Minutes

November 06, 2015

Meeting was opened by Council Co-Chair Denesia Stroom-Blair at 8:30 a.m. who spoke about the upcoming K-8 Community Council Meeting on Dec. 2nd @ 6:15 p.m. at the Elementary School. All families should try to attend, RSVP notices will be posted soon on listservs.

Reports from Committee Co-Chairs:

Advocacy - Minju Pak and Jill Grossman reported. Will send out info to parents about what our school and advocacy group is about and have a presentation most likely in January. Reaching out to elected officials to come visit our school and see various events and culminations. CRCS is part of independent charter schools and diverse charter schools nationally and advocacy committee will help to support co directors in their endeavors within these coalitions. Advocacy committee always needs more members. Sandy advised Co chairs should send her meeting dates and meeting minutes so they can be **posted on our website**.

Gardening Committee - Susan Boyle reported. Garden Harvest Festival is tomorrow Sat Nov 7, 1:00 pm and is open to all families from all 3 schools, please attend! Thanks to a grant which pays for Katie Hope to run the garden with the kids from all 3 schools, the hope is to eventually bring garden grown vegetables to our cafeteria for all students to enjoy. Will organize kids to teach and start composting for garden. Always need more helpers for the garden. Meet once a month will post on calendar.

Class Parents - Ashley Richie & Urasia Oliver reported. Class Parents are the main source of direct outreach for vital information between school and families. Weekly What's Up goes out on Sundays to all class parents for distribution to their classes. Please continue using the google form to update Sandy with any changes in class family contact info. Always use our web calendar for most updated info.

Sustainability –Tatiana Lewis reported – This is a new committee formed this year. It would be extremely useful if today's CC minutes mention our need for more volunteers to join our committee (both from the middle and elementary schools).

The project that our committee will be working on this school year is called "Reuse, Reduce, Recycle".

Reduce solid waste and electricity consumption

Reuse items and materials as much as possible or find ways to repurpose them in order to prolong their lifespan

Recycle plastic and paper

Since we are a brand new committee, we need some help spreading the word and putting our info in as many places as possible. Please contact Tatiana and/or Erika to Join! Tatiana Lewis (lewistatiana@yahoo.com) - parent at the Elementary school and Erika Doering (erika@indigoinc.net) - parent at the middle school

Community Building - Nikki Sperry reported – Community Building is a non-fundraising committee that organizes fun events to bring the school community together. Need new/more volunteers who can bring in some fresh ideas.

Literacy - Sandy spoke about the upcoming 3 Stars Book Fair on Nov. 18th and 19th and how the literacy committee will need a lot of volunteers for setting up, selling and breaking down. **Please sign up today on the volunteer form sent home the other day or sign up online here on Volunteer Spot:** <http://vols.pt/tkXJMv>
Extra moneys earned from book fair goes to support the 3 Star Garden.

FoCR (Friends of Community Roots) Fundraising Committee – Marcie Bohan, ex FoCR Co-Chair and Sandy spoke about upcoming fundraising events: Original works, Equal Exchange, Annual Appeal Drive. Marcie will check on Greenlight Bookstore gift wrapping to see if they will do it again this year. Sandy called for more volunteers to join FoCR and all other committees and to clarify that any Committee is welcome to appeal to FoCR for funds for school relating events.

Meeting was closed at 9:00 a.m. Minutes taken by Sandy

Please contact Committee Chairs below to Volunteer!

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