

# ARCADIA ELEMENTARY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES 12/11/08

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Leslee Petrick, Terri Roylance, Liz Carol, Krystal Plott, Jill Loertscher, Nicole Wilson, and Shanae Jackson

**Leslee Petrick(Chair): conducting**

**Liz Carol (Vice-Chair)**

Jill Loertscher: secretary

-Calendar December school events

**-Review Book Fair for November**

Shanae Jackson: **Book Fair made \$1,900.00. All proceeds will go to the library to purchase new books. This is a 132% in sales!!**

March's book fair will be buy one get one free. This puts books into the homes of the students. Shanae asked about moving up book fair to the week before SEP's. As a council we felt the attendance would be better, a tradition, at SEP's. The theme will be Lights, Camera, Action.

**-PTA calendar items:** Jill Loertscher

\*Parents empowered.org. An education program about the dangers of underage drinking will be given during the month of January.

\*"Get Your Game On" February 9<sup>th</sup> 7-8 pm. The whole family is invited to come use our new PE equipment in fun rotations. We hope to have stacking cups and chess there. We will be serving fruit roll-ups that evening. We did not get a grant for that. This activity fulfills a Gold Medal Mile requirement as well.

\* Bookish Breakfast provided by the PTA March 2<sup>nd</sup> before school. The school usually does 2 others during the year, January and in the spring.

**-Health issues**

**WOW: Walk on Wednesdays.** There will be a representative every Wednesday to count laps at lunch recess, 4 laps equals a mile.

**Tuesday and Thursdays our Rescuing Recess** grant pays for a PE aide to provide structured recess activities during lunch. Nicole Wilson and Kim Allen will be hired by the school to provide a variety of physical games to engage the students and cut down on discipline issues.

**-School Website:** Will be 100% up and running during Christmas break. Terri will be working with Stephanie M. to update the teachers pages. It has links to Community Council, PTA, grades, and Thursday notes. It will also have educational links and a calendar for the entire year.

-Faculty will be reviewing a **new program called Imagine Learning/ Imagine It.** Terri attended a meeting for ELL/ESL learners. It has been a huge success. Stansbury Elem. has been using it for 4 months and has seen tremendous success with their ELL learners. Arcadia has the opportunity to participate. The Imagine rep. will be coming to the faculty on December 18<sup>th</sup> to present the program. Terri would like to see all

the teachers go to training on January 6<sup>th</sup>. Trustlands money that was going to be used for the new books, the PTA book fair paid for that instead, will be used to pay for substitutes so teachers can go to the Imagine training instead. The program is an interactive program on line with books K-6<sup>th</sup> grade. ELL learners are to get 45 minutes everyday of supervised instruction. This will solve a lot of issues especially with 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade learners. It will take some coordinating the lab but the benefits will be worth it. We hope Granite school district will buy the program permanently in 2010. Our term would be January 1- December 31<sup>st</sup> 2009 for free.

#### **-Safety**

\* Safety task force got a grant for a new parking lot and installing sidewalks on a side Street. The construction will not begin until summer and be completed by 8/23/09.

It will be moving the stop sign and crosswalk. We will also be adding a safety patrol.

- Problem with Junior high students causing conflicts in front of the school. The bus drops the Junior High students right in front of the school 10 minutes before Arcadia lets out. 2 fights we stopped this week between students. 4 issues arise because of this.

1) bad language 2) snowball fights 3) fights 4) 7/8/9<sup>th</sup> graders coming into the school to visit.

Terri will call the busing department and see if they will move the location of The stop closer to 3600 West, to help the students not loiter at Arcadia.

#### **-Tour of schools: Leslee Petrick**

Leslee went on a tour of 6 schools and the successful programs they are doing there.

Monroe-Family center, 33 languages, AVID program

Olympus JR.-Outdoor class, greenhouse,plants.

William Penn-Spanish immersion and arts grants

Taylorville High-Teaches Mandarin Chinese

West Lake JR.-Titel I, 70% free lunch and 60% ELL

G.T.I.- dental, EMT, engineering, preschool, culinary programs

Granite- New Comers program

Leslee thought all the programs were paid by grants or trustland money

February we will need to publish a report for our mid-year requirement, this needs to be done through a mailed letter and website.

**-School Assembly** Brandon Mull, author, was very good.

**Next Community Council meeting January 15, 2009 12:00-1:00 pm**

