

# **Robert Frost Elementary School Community Council**

## **Meeting Minutes**

November 4, 2008

### **I. Call to order**

**Jennifer Olsen** called to order the regular meeting of the **Robert Frost Community Council** at **4:20 P.M.** on **November 4, 2008** in the **Media Center**.

### **II. Roll call**

The following persons were present: Becky Hall, Dianne Zollinger, Jennifer Olsen, Nicole Olsen, Lisa Kerr, Melanie Sanchez, Parent Advocate, Terry Bawden, Member of Granite District School Board, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Santana, Mrs. Fuller

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### **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Everyone read the from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read. By Lisa Kerr, Jennifer Olsen seconded the motion. Ayes had it.

### **IV. Open issues**

Mr. Bawden addressed the council and thanked everyone for volunteering in the community. He explained that the members of this council have great power. He encouraged parents and educators to listen to each other.

He outlined when the schoolboard meetings were to be held. In Nov. the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays. Once in December; most months they are the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays. 5:00 is first part of the meeting 7:00P.M is the General Meeting. Agenda can be found on the web site. Board agenda is posted the Friday before the meeting. To be part of the agenda you must apply before noon of the day of the meeting.

### **V. New business**

Jennifer Olsen gave a report on the Parent School Involvement Reading Class. We will need an Action Team-2 Community Council Members, 2-3 parents-Melanie Sanchez would have to be part of the team. Its objectives is to teach parents to be parents so that we all work together.

- Basic Parenting- Food, health, turn off the television, send child to school with breakfast and a smile
- Communication between parent and school
- Volunteering at home and school- parents helping their own children
- Multiple Intelligence Classes to help parents recognize strengths of their children
- Decision making Process
- Collaborating with the community: e.g. “Harmon’s cashier might ask how a child’s reading is coming along with the Ken Garff Road to Success Program? How are your math classes coming?”
- Survey to rate our school to see how we are doing right now (please return next month)
- Suggestions for teachers who would be part of the action team
- Dianne Zollinger offered to be a parent on the team

Melanie Sanchez is making a DUD to pass out to assist parents in this program.

A suggestion was made that a greater effort be made to get more parents involved to reach out to the many different geographical areas around the school and to other ethnic groups to be sure all could take part.

Mrs. Sanchez gave a summary of her work with parents. She has classes on Tuesday mornings for 9:00-10:00 A.M. and Thursday Afternoons 2:30-? She helps to instill healthy habits and self confidence so the parents would like to be involved in the schools.

Mrs. Kerr suggested some English speaking mothers go to the classes to develop friendships.

There still is a question if parents get the fliers that we send home.

QTSA:

- Mrs. Santana will start advanced math.
  - Look into bringing Science and Language Arts as after school classes
  - A discussion was held on the current standing of the SSAP Report
- Mrs. Harris said the data was being gathered and reported on

Mrs. Hall reported that since our last meeting the faculty voted to accept The Gold Medal School Program. She would like us to start having a healthier life style discussion and goals at our council meetings. The Gold Medal kickoff assembly would be held on November 19<sup>th</sup>. We would be walking a Gold Mile. She will attend a faculty meeting before this time to give the faculty a heads up.

Mrs. Olsen will have a letter for the newspaper in December.

Mrs. Harris was going to double check if a letter had been sent to Mayor Nordfelt on the dates of our Community Meetings.

Mrs. Harris asked if we could use QTSA funds to pay faculty for time to plan and present ideas at the Literacy Night.

Mrs. Hall moved that we accept the motion

Jennifer Olsen 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

Ayes had it

## **VI. Adjournment**

**Jennifer Olsen** adjourned the meeting at **5:20 P.M.**

**Mrs. Santana** 2<sup>nd</sup> **the motion.**

Minutes submitted by: Mrs. Fuller