

**Henry Elementary School
Site Council Minutes
January 11, 2011**

Meeting called to Order at 4:07PM

Members Present: Jon Ben-Asher, B.J. Cordova, Diane Holzman, Sandy Coons, Lori Emrich-Galbraith, Rebecca Ayers, James Clark, Arlene Doran, Mark Ordaz, Matthew Beem

Members Absent: Christy Canovas

Minutes: Minutes from December 7, 2010 were approved with following corrections.
Restorative Practices: Henry is already implementing Restorative Practices thru PBIS program and other strategies and will continue to receive training as TUSD rolls this program out. **Bandwidth:** Tucson Computers for Kids (Non-profit group) has 8 computer units ready to be donated to Henry's Computer Lab. **Safe Routes:** rewording - Arlene Doran made a motion.....

Call to Audience: There was nobody present to call.

Reports:

SCPC Report: Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 24, 2011 from 6:30-8:00PM at Tucson High School. Agenda items to include following guest speakers: Mr. Michael Hicks, newly elected TUSD governing board member and Mr. John Gray, CIO to give update on TUSD technology.

Tax Credit: Still waiting for updated Tax Credit Balance.

Principal Report: Mr Ben-Asher presented the following to the Site Council.

Tragedy in Tucson 1/8/11: Mr. Ben-Asher and Ms. Arlene Doran visited each classroom reminding students that school is a safe place. They gave a message about how to solve problems, by talking out the problem. Gun Safety was also addressed. There is a possibility that they will visit the classrooms again in a few weeks.

Upcoming Events/ Misc. Items: Science Fair: February 22, 2011. Entries due by January 31, 2011. Look out for PTA January and February events that were sent home. The Winter Program was a huge hit. Looking into possibility of new venue for Spring show. Ms. Evans – music teacher is looking for donated violins for Henry students to use. Mr. Ben-Asher attended a meeting regarding Community input on Facilities use/building usage. He was asked to talk with the community about ideas that might be out there for usage of TUSD buildings. If you have any ideas please contact Mr. Ben-Asher.

Parent/Teacher Conferences: February 9, 2011. School dismissed at 11:30

NAPE (National Assessment): Data for student performance for FEDS and Department of Education to work with. Henry has been asked to participate in a random sampling of 4th grade students with a 90 minute assessment in reading, math, and/or science. There will be information going home to parents involved. This is a voluntary assessment. Henry will be able to view data at state level, not per child level.

School Accountability Plan: Teachers are getting lots of use out of the Study Groups during PLC time. For example utilizing/training on the Promethean Board, teachers are assisting each other with grade level support.

Dibels data (K-2): The 301 Accountability Plan for K-2 Reading indicated that 19 students would move from strategic to benchmark by May. So far year to date 5 students have moved to benchmark.

Reclaimed Water Project: Still waiting on exact start date. Project to take 20 days from start to finish.

Technology Improvements: Possibility of 1 million dollars set aside for TUSD technology improvements. District is currently looking at how to roll out the project. Possibility of placing schools on a list based upon how old equipment is?

Safe Routes to School Grant: BJ Cordova submitted Grant Application to Phoenix offices with a proposed grant of approximately \$396K in improvements. There were 5-7 other local applicants. Between now and February a review will be conducted with a local score given to each applicant, application will then go to state for voting. There is possibility of funding entire grant proposal, some or none.

Discussion Items:

Tax Credit Planning: Discussed forming a committee for shared leadership on how to plan and increase tax credit dollars. BJ Cordova is going to talk with Real Estate Agent to see if he can obtain labels/addresses for attendance boundary for a bulk mailing.

Changing Meeting Calendar: Proposed to reinvestigate at next meeting, on February 8, 2011.

Study/Action Items:

By-Laws: The SSC has not received any feedback or input regarding the proposed updated Henry Bylaws. BJ Cordova made a motion to adopt the new constitution/bylaws from the draft that was presented to the community. Matthew Beem seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the SSC.

Set Next Agenda:

Items for next agenda to include the following: How to fill Membership and Treasurer position, Site Council Memberships, Tax Credit Planning Committee, Name of school/mascot, and Mission and Vision statement. Next meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2011 at 4:00PM.

Meeting adjourned at 5:27PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Emrich-Galbraith
Site Council Recorder