

## Meeting Minutes

<b>Meeting Title:</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting</b>				
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	10/27/2015	<b>Time:</b>	5:00 PM	<b>Location:</b>	Conference Room
<b>Facilitator:</b>	John Bailey			<b>Note Taker:</b>	Kylee Beaudette
<b>In attendance:</b>	<b>Members:</b> Shanaka Weerasooriya Matt Catanzarite Sandy King Kathy Castellano			<b>Community:</b>	
	<b>Staff:</b>  John Bailey Steve Smith Kylee Beaudette				

Agenda Topic	Discussion	Facilitator
<b>Welcome</b>	Call to order at 5pm Pledge of allegiance	John Bailey
<b>Approval of Agenda &amp; Minutes</b>	N/A for this session	
<b>Old Business</b>	There was no old business for this meeting	
<b>New Business</b>	1. N/A for this session	John Bailey

<p><b>Principals Report</b></p>	<p>At 5:05PM discussion was started about the curriculum. Over all the first quarter went well and the majority of students have good grades. There was discussion of how the teachers keep in contact with each other about the students that struggle and work on ways to help them improve. There will be a training for the teachers in Venice on teacher work day Oct 30<sup>th</sup> 2015. This training will give them an opportunity to train for I-ready and google classroom. Interactions with the community has brought a lot of positive feedback. One parent, for example, was discussing with one of our leaders how their child coming the SKY Academy has helped make them a strong student with more confidence something they never had before. Upcoming we have benchmark testing to see where the students are in their classes. This starts the week of November 1<sup>st</sup> 2015.</p> <p><u>Business and long term planning-</u> We currently have 98 students at SKY Academy. We enrolled 3 new students in 1 week and lost 1 who was moving up north. We currently have <b>62</b> 6<sup>th</sup> graders and <b>36</b> 7<sup>th</sup> graders. We are already enrolling for the 2016-2017 school year. From what we hear in the community we will have a lot of 6<sup>th</sup> graders enrolling next year. Our projection for next year is 190 students for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade.</p> <p><u>Fundraising/ Community Outreach-</u> Currently we are having a fundraiser for our spirit week. Its \$2 a day or \$10 for the week and entry to the dance. Monday- crazy sock day, Tuesday- sports team day, Wednesday- dress like a nerd day, and Thursday- superhero vs. villain day and ending with our dance from 3-5 pm. The dance will be held in our cafeteria and it is super hero themed. We have a good number of parent volunteers to help decorate and chaperone the dance along with our teachers. We were also very happy that the Lainhart family donated a popcorn machine to our school!</p> <p><u>Wellness/ Nutrition-</u> We had our 6<sup>th</sup> grade health screening on Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> 2015, and it went very well. We were able to go through all of the students in 1<sup>st</sup> hour. They were all very quiet and respectful of the workers and their classmates. We will be doing BMIs this next week for our 7<sup>th</sup> graders also.</p> <p>A taste of SKY- As discussed at the last board meeting, we will be having our taste of SKY event at the Venice SKY Academy, Oct 28<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. They are expecting 350 people. We will have 6 local restaurants and Chef Dino making samples for our families to try. Students will be putting their health research projects on display and give presentations at the event. They were also talking about having people bring in healthy recipes and create a "Taste of SKY" cookbook.</p>	<p>John Bailey</p>
<p><b>Board Chair Presentation</b></p>	<p>Mr. Weerasooriya brought up how he feels the board members need an identity, what kind of board they will be? He opened a discussion on how the board can best serve SKY Academy. Mr. Weerasooriya also asked about media coverage. We would like to find someone to cover events at the school for the newspaper, create a billboard, or have a SKY commercial. The board feels we need to market more.</p>	<p>Shanaka Weerasooriya</p>

<b>Questions and Comments</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. <u>How can the board be more involved?</u> The board can be involved in any way they wish, such as, having a board member represent the SAC.</li> <li>3. <u>Do we have a face book page or website?</u> Yes, John Bailey takes care of the face book and website.</li> <li>4. <u>What does the board approve? What's in the kid's best interest?</u> Yes</li> <li>5. <u>Does the board approve where money goes?</u> Yes to a point.</li> <li>6. <u>What is our main goal?</u> The main goal is to increase enrollment in both schools. Our mission is to spread the word.</li> <li>7. <u>Would we ever use anything for the students like standing desks?</u> We have been looking into items like that, of course the issue is the cost. We do have one teacher that is good at giving the students "brain breaks." After about 10 minutes in intensive reading, the teacher will have them do their "brain breaks." This is a few seconds to let them stand and stretch, or do a quick activity.</li> </ol>	All
<b>Community Comments</b>	1. N/A	
<b>Action Items</b>	2. No actions taken at this time	
<b>Adjournment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion was made and approved to adjourn at 6:20pm</li> </ul>	John Bailey

<b>Next Meeting Date:</b>	11/24/2015	<b>Time:</b>	5:00 PM	<b>Location:</b>	Conference Room
---------------------------	------------	--------------	---------	------------------	-----------------

**Materials distributed with the minutes:**

1. Student handbook
2. Article going in the Englewood Sun