

Inavale Community Partners
Board Meeting Minutes
December 1, 2008

Meeting convened at Muddy Creek Charter School at 7:10 pm.

Present: Jen Renée, Tanya Freeman, Payton James-Amberg, Morning McCreary, Anita Grunder, Christine Horning, Kathleen Westly

Approval of Agenda: Morning offered some agenda items, to be incorporated in this meeting, given time, or in upcoming meeting(s): Finishing RACI discussion/meeting, decision on Muskrat mascot, tracking calendar for contract and accountability to district/state issues, preschool program

Public Testimony: Marilyn Dilles sent some public comments, via Anita -

- Friends of the Library book sale is Saturday, 12/13 from 10 - 4. Good opportunity to buy books for Muddy Creek, as well as home.
- Corvallis Sustainability Coalition has been working to put together a community sustainability action plan of vision and goals for incorporating sustainable practices into the Corvallis city plan. They intend to present this to the Corvallis City Council sometime soon. Marilyn suggests that Muddy Creek get on board. The Board discussed our desired level of involvement. It was agreed that we would not as a Board or school, endorse the plan, because our community does not speak with one voice on this issue. We also agreed that we would write a letter to the Coalition to express our interest in being included in the conversation on educational practices. **AI:** Anita to draft a letter to this effect.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Reviewed meeting minutes from 11/17/08. Made a correction in the return date for Anita from her sabbatical to mid July. Motion made to approve, with correction (Tanya), second (Payton); passed fists of fours and fives.

School Report: Jen Renée updated the Board on the following:

- Jen furnished 509J with a copy of our lead inspection report; she has not yet received the asbestos report promised by Kim Patton
- MCCS had our first student withdrawal. The lottery to replace the student will be held shortly (per later meeting enrollment discussion).
- Sonitrol system is now working. Some entry codes are still not functioning. **AI:** Jen will follow up to get the rest of the codes set up.
- The Lock Doctor was at the school today to fix a variety of lock-related problems. He will give a bid to Jen on the gym ADI hardware.
- Social Curriculum - the school held three very successful meetings to define the goals for this curriculum. Parent participation was not large, but those that attended were highly engaged and helpful. All core teachers have attended at least one planning meeting. The staff is prepared to move to step four next week, with plans to present their findings to the Board at the next meeting.
- Parent Surveys - Jen is working on revising the comments on the survey, so that the summary can be generally published and parts of it placed on the MCCS website. **AI:** Jen get survey results, sans comments to Kathleen for inclusion in report to Steve Youngblood, Mike Strowbridge.

Enrollment Discussion: Jen presented policy for during-school-year lottery to replace vacated seat(s). Board had extensive discussion on order of lotteries if seats become available in multiple classrooms simultaneously, what constitutes an enrolled student (thereby giving preference to siblings in such a lottery situation, when to hold the lottery, how far in advance lottery must be publicized, timeline for notification to parents of results of lottery and date by which student coming in must be enrolled, who shall be present for such lotteries, what

limitations exist for filling particular grade openings, given grade and classroom caps. Revised Enrollment Policy 00001B. Motion to accept revision to policy, now 00001C (Payton), second (Anita); passed fists of fours and fives.

General plan of enrollment for 2009-2010 year was decided upon:

1/16/09	Enrollment info to district (currently enrolled students, less 5 th graders)
3/1/09	Applications for enrollment, including re-enrolling students in to MCCS
3/16/09	Enrollment Deadline and Date to post ad for teacher
4/1/09	Lottery to fill empty spaces
4/15/09	Teacher application deadline (expect hiring process to run ~three weeks)

School Board Meeting Presentation: Anita and Kathleen will make a presentation to the 509J School Board next Monday, 12/8. The primary purpose is to update the Board on the results of the parent survey, grants awarded, etc. and to make the Board aware of the fact that we wish to reconfigure the school to incorporate 6th grade. **AI:** **Anita** will contact Steve Youngblood to set up a meeting to make him aware of this and to begin the proposal process.

Additional Agenda Items for Next Meeting: Decide who is responsible for what aspects of district reporting, set open house dates and "marketing" plan, transportation survey report which was deferred from tonight's agenda.

Curriculum Information for the District: Discussed status of report being compiled for Steve Youngblood and Mike Strowbridge. **AIs:** **Jen** find out from Kriste about plans for OAKS testing, **Jen** get parent survey sans comments to Kathleen, **Payton** send three-year enrollment projections to Kathleen, **Kathleen** send report to district.

Treasurer's Report:

- Payton is working on financial reports to submit to district. Her target is to have them completed by 12/16.
- Payton applied for a credit card, which has been accepted.
- We will have a savings account set up with Washington Mutual for summer salary funds. **AI:** **Anita** and **Tanya** need to go into Washington Mutual to sign.

Grange Report: Next Grange meeting will be 12/9/08, 6:30 pm and is a holiday celebration.

Thank yous to send: **AI:** **Tanya** get mailing list to Anita; hand off to Chana and office volunteers to send.

Tree of thanks: Eric Horning will donate wood for trunk; Christine working on the construction piece.

Muskrat Mascot: Morning's mom will rework for a "kinder, gentler" version.

Next meeting: Thursday, December 18. ICP Board meetings will now be switching to the first and third Thursdays of the month.

Meeting adjourned 10:28pm; minutes submitted by Kathleen Westly