

**Montgomery Site Council Minutes
January 8, 2009**

Draft

Comment [01]:

Meeting starts: 7:08 p.m.

Attendance: Ryan Bezerra, Amanda Walsh, Shelly Wickwire, Karen Wallender, Cheri Burau, Sonja Contreras, Howard Kornblum

Public Comment: None

Approval of November 13, 2008 Minutes

Motion: approve the minutes

Proposed by Karen Wallender, seconded by Cheri Burua

Approved 6-0

See November 13, 2008 minutes for revisions.

Member Reports: Minutes for all MME meetings will now be posted on the school website (i.e. Site Council/PTA/ELAC).

ELAC- The ELAC meeting was well attended despite the bad weather that night. ELAC is working on securing a 3000.00 dollar grant titled- Teacher for Tolerance. The grant would teach teachers/parents/and the community how to promote better race relations and diversity.

GATE- Not attended by Site Council member. GATE testing is complete. Students need to score in the 96% or above to be GATE identified. Students with discrepant results will be retested. 9 students qualified from our school of those that qualified most scored 97% or higher on the OLFAST.

PTA- See attached minutes. Karin Anderson will be the speaker at the general meeting in January.

School Climate- January meeting is next week.

Spanish Immersion- January meeting is scheduled for the 15th.

SAC- The focus of this meeting was the budget. Discretionary and Supplemental Budgets could be subject to sweeps by the district/State. There was also some discussion that there could be mid year cuts next year.

DAC- The district discussed what the requirements are for the school Site Plans and budgets.

Announcements:

- *The PG&E Solar panel will be installed Tuesday at MME.
- *The Yolo County Library Drop Box has been installed at MME.
- *Storytelling Through the Arts- A dance portion of this Art Grant will be taught to the 5th graders. The 5th graders will be learning Hip-Hop dance routines.
- *Life After 3rd Grade Meeting for MME parents needs to be scheduled/planned.

New Business:

Site Plan Changes: There were only a few changes made to the Site Plan this year. After reviewing the budget Site Council approved the Site Plan 6-0. 1st motion- Amanda Walsh, 2nd motion- Sonia Contreras.

Agenda Development:

- *Budget Update
- *Review UC Davis findings for the EL Pilot Program
- *MME Board Presentation
 - Discuss murals/artists that have worked with MME
 - Diversity
 - Energy Conservation (PG&E Solar Panel Grant)
 - WRITE Institute
 - Community School
 - Mission/Action Plan

Meeting Adjournment:

Cheri Bureau motioned to adjourn.
Shelly Wickwire seconded the motion.
Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Addendum

JANUARY 12, 2009
Marguerite Montgomery PTA General Meeting
Minutes

Call to order:

Meeting called to order by Tracie Bezerra at 7:04 PM.

Present: Elizabeth Moon, Stacy Lovitt, Rachel Riely, Liz Shorts, Amy Lemmo, Susan Rivera, Rebecca Keller, Tracie Bezerra, Susan Shepps, Diane Muller, Amy Brugger, Catherine Brooks, Lauren Clancy, Melinda Grow, Mary Schembri, Shelly Wickwire, Charla Kordana, Karin Anderson, Eloisa Klementich, Trish Bosco

I. Welcome

- ◆ Sue Shepps began the meeting with a quick introduction and welcome. She has called the general meeting to order.

II. Approvals

Meeting Minutes- Liz Shorts made a motion to ratify December's minutes and Catherine Brooks seconded. Motion was passed.

Ratify Check Disbursements- Charla Kordana made a motion to ratify disbursements made in December. Catherine Brooks seconded the motion and the motion passed.

III. Audit Report (Amy Brugger)

- ◆ Amy Brugger has audited our accounts for the first six months of the 2008-2009 PTA and found the books to be in order.
- ◆ Catherine Brooks made a motion to approve the 6 months audit. Trish Bosco seconded the adoption of the audit report. Motion passed.

IV. Budget Amendments

- ◆ **Music Program (Mary Schembri):** Mary Schembri came to discuss the Music program of the 5/6th, SI, 4th, 2nd & 3rd grades with Miss Mindy Manville and a dance teacher. Last year grants were applied for and received to support the music and dance programs, as well as an exploratory music class. Grant money is going to run out by early spring and she is requesting \$250 to finish out the year. However, this is just for the 5/6th grades. Discussion was had concerning the music program as a whole for the campus and how much is needed for each grade level. Linda Book taught a chunk to the first grades, but was not able to accommodate the kindergarten classes. Kindergarten money is still available. 5/6th grade have a performance coming up on February 17th and have also been invited to perform later after spring break. We have a restricted fund of \$700 ear marked to music.
- ◆ **4th Grade Field Trip Funding**
 - i. Karin Devarranes sent a letter to the PTA to discuss the maritime historical field trip. Both grants were unfortunately turned down, but \$200 was provided as a scholarship fund from the Maritime Association. Letter is provided with the minutes.
 - ii. Discussion was had by the PTA concerning how to come up with the \$800 needed to assist @20 students to attend the field trip. Members agreed that this would be a positive addition to our school on a yearly basis.
- ◆ **Year Round Credit Card:** An increase of \$10 p/month to the monthly bank fees so as to have access to the credit card machine year round.

- ◆ Trish Bosco has brought up that we need to be aware of the auction possibly not bringing in the full \$40,000 we have predicted.
- ◆ Diane Muller has made a motion for an amendment to the budget for \$1860 to pay \$1000 for music, \$800 for the 4th grade trip, and \$60 for the year round credit card usage. Liz Shorts has seconded the amendment. Motion passed unanimously.

V. Karin Anderson, MFT: “Kids and Stress” (Special Speaker)

- ◆ Karin Anderson gave a presentation on how to help ourselves and our children handle stress. Notes from the presentation are archived with the minutes.

VI. Member Reports

Principal(Shelly Wickwire)

- ◆ Budget situation is still unclear at this point. Staff that are currently hired with contracts will not be affected mid-year. Currently unrestricted funds are frozen. Restrictions on categorical budgets may be lifted and they may be scooped back up into the general fund. In regards to Montgomery it may effect our PE categoricals and technology categoricals. Shelly Wickwire discussed the basis behind the different areas of the budget in terms of Federal, State, Block Grants and local. Budget news is still up in the air.
- ◆ Report for our EL Pilot has been received. Shelly Wickwire would like to present the report and our complete identity at a board meeting in February, ie. Murals, solar panels, diversity, Academic Performance at all levels, building unity and showing the complexity of who we are as a school.
- ◆ Solar Panel is currently being put up and the pole was set in concrete. Davis Enterprise will be out to take pictures and give us a little publicity.
- ◆ We will be announcing our life after 3rd Grade and what we have available for our 4th grades. Gate scores are in and will be sent out at the end of the month.
- ◆ Academic Talent Search is provided by Sacramento State for 4th-9th graders. Test will be given here at Montgomery one afternoon and the cost of the test is \$10. This is for a summer program.
- ◆ Finished our site plan and will be going to the board by the end of the month.
- ◆ Kindergarten registration is in March.
- ◆ Coffee with the Principal has been a good turnout with a diverse group of parents.

Teachers (Lauren Clancy)

- ◆ Followed up on last months website and introduced Melinda Grow to the PTA.
- ◆ Melinda Grow discussed how she was going about enhancing the school website. She suggests that it be done incrementally and is looking at the beginning of next year and that it will be pretty basic from the beginning.

VP Fundraising (Liz Shorts)

- ◆ Auction coming up. Class art projects need to be provided and discussed the need to have that communicated from the teachers.

- ◆ Trish Bosco discussed more about the Auction. Babysitting will be provided by the Davis Diamonds. Small donation team has been working on trying to get stuff. Have all of us try to bring in some items. Invitations are being put together with 6 raffle tickets, at \$10 p/piece or 6 for \$50. Event tickets are \$20 p/person. Sierra Nevada has agreed to donate beer again this year. Common Grounds will again do the coaster donation. Cracciolis is catering for us and it will be buffet (ribs, chicken, 4 sides, dinner rolls), deal on linens. Looking for a connection to the Madrigal China. HS Jazz band will be there for beginning of night. Decorations will be done in conjunction with Pioneer. On Tuesday night 1/20 at 7pm. Table clothes will be plastic (Green, Purple & Gold).

VP Community Events-(Catherine Brooks)

- ◆ Tuesday February 10th is Math Night. Need help. Kim Patchett has some great ideas. Money for the event was \$500.

VP Communications-(Charla Kordana)- no report necessary.

Treasurer (Diane Muller)

- ◆ Diane presented the current work on the money. Profit on the gift mart was \$1081.

VII. Announcements

- ◆ MLK Jr. holiday-NO SCHOOL-January 19
- ◆ Family Math Night- February 10
- ◆ Mardis Gras Auction- February 28
- ◆ NEXT PTA MEETING: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2009

VIII. Adjournment- Tracie Bezerra adjourned the meeting at 9: 04 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Moon