

Konawaena Middle School
SCC Minutes
September 21, 2010

1. Call to Order:
Date: September 21, 2010 Time: 4:30 PM Room: B-2
Present: Georgia Goeas (Community Rep.), Simon Ellis (Student Rep), Norma Chadband (Classified Rep.), Marybeth Murphy and Colleen Masukawa (Teacher Reps), Nancy Soderberg (Administration Rep), Shawna Gunnarson, Kuuipo Bettencourt , and Stacy Brown (Guests); Casey Fraga-Saldivar (student observer)
2. Approve Minutes of Meeting: minutes of the last meeting unanimously approved.
3. Role Group Reports
 - A. Students: students were concerned that many students “tire” in the afternoons which impact their learning in periods 3 and 6. They suggested moving lunch or having a rotating schedule to avoid the afternoon fatigue in the same class. Other concerns:
 - not as much work is being turned in as reported earlier. Although study hall time is provided; students suggested that incentives (like candy) might be helpful to boost productivity.
 - problem with some students placing “notes” in the lockers of other students.
 - B. Parents: Both of her children have great teachers and everything is going well.
 - C. Community: No report at this time.
 - D. Classified Staff: Nothing major to report – the school year is going well.
 - E. Teachers: Positive responses from parents on the new web-based grade book, “Teacherease”. In contrast, a majority of the students Ms. Murphy surveyed did not react as favorably as their parents did. The major complaint was that “teacherease” provided too many details. Teachers are continuing to work out the “bugs” with the new system and are trying to keep postings as current as they can.

The recent Parent Shadow Day went well with both teachers and parents reporting a positive experience. About 60 parents participated.
 - F. Administration: Continuing to deal with some disruptive behaviors - a little rowdy and unsettled on the campus.
4. Unfinished Business:
 - A. Kuuipo Bettencourt was unanimously approved to serve as the second SCC Student Represent. Casey Fraga-Saldivar was also unanimously approved to serve as the SCC’s 6th grade student observer.

- B. Waiver Request for Assessment Days: The Waiver Request to renew KMS's Assessment Days for the SY 2011-2012 was presented and unanimously accepted. The Waiver Request will be presented to the Faculty for approval.

5. New Business:

- A. HSA Data from the 2009-10 SY was shared by Principal Soderberg. All student subgroups met Reading proficiency levels. In Math, all sub-groups met the proficiency levels except students in the "disadvantaged" subgroup with only 38% meeting proficiency. It was noted that the ELL population made up a large percentage of the disadvantaged group not meeting proficiency. The benchmark goals for meeting AYP this school year are increasing - 80% of the students are expected to meet proficiency in Reading and 65% in Math.

Principal Soderberg also shared longevity data from 2001 to the present. The data indicates a steady increase for each subgroup in both Reading and Math over 9 years.

Based on the data, the goals for this school year are:

- to close the achievement gap
- to continue with focus on literacy,
- continuous improvement through self-study

An AYP response team will be visiting KMS to assess strengths and areas of needed improvement to assist with meeting AYP with our groups.

Programs and plans currently in place to improve achievement scores:

- Achieve 3000 is a program purchased by the state with differentiated non-fiction reading. Plan is to have students serviced twice per week for forty minutes. Targeted populations: ELL, Migrant, SPED, and disadvantaged students. Principal Soderberg noted that KMS' disadvantaged population has increased 30% from last year and the enrollment is 45 more than projected.
- Title I Math Elective will begin in Q2
- Before school tutorial may also begin during Q2 (pending funds)
- Avid Elective beginning second semester

- B. A proposal was made to hold SCC meetings monthly for the first quarter and perhaps less frequently in subsequent quarters. After a discussion, it was decided that the SCC continue meeting monthly.
- C. Stacy Brown was unanimously approved to serve as the SCC parent representative.

6. Announcements: Agenda Calendar Items

- A. Next meeting scheduled for Oct. 19, 2010 in room B-2.

7. Adjournment Time: 5:45 pm.