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SARATOGA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MEETING

Date **Thursday, April 3, 2008**

Location School Library

Starting Time: 3:30

Proposed Ending Time: 5:00

School Site Council Representatives: Metz, Cottingham, Conway, Lanch, Willheim, Pruitt, Jacobs, Tanguay, and Smalley. All staff, parents, and members of the public are invited to attend the meeting.

Agenda Item	Action Requested	Responsible Person(s)	Time Limit
Call the meeting to order	None	Chair	1 minute
Roll Call	None	Secretary	1 minute
Changes/Additions to the Agenda	Approval/Modification of the Agenda	Chair	2 minutes
Reading and Approval of Minutes and Budget	Approval/Modification of the Minutes	Chair/Admin Ass't.	10 minutes
Standing Committee Reports: ELAC Report	Discussion Item	Principal	5 minutes
Public Comment		Chair	10 minutes
Unfinished Business: Nominating new officers and council members Parent Survey Update School Climate Report	Discussion Items	Chair Principal Principal	5 minutes 5 minutes 3 minutes
New Business: Noon League Report Jump Rope for Heart Reading Intervention Program Report Parent Survey Discussion Discussion of 2008 -09 Budget	Discussion Items	Rachel Young Jill Zuleeg Nicolette Lanch Chair and Principal Everyone	10 minutes 10 minutes 10 minutes 10 minutes 15 mins.
Adjournment			

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 8, 2008

School Site Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 3:35 by President Heather Metz.

Susan Jacobs moved to approve the minutes. Teresa Conway seconded it.

First Grade Reading Intervention Program Report—Melanie Knight

18 are from first grade students were identified as reading significantly below grade level. 6 have graduated from the program—are now exceeding grade level expectations. At this time of the year, 5 are at end of the year grade level and one is at grade level at this time of the year.

5 students from Saratoga are now meeting or exceeding grade-level expectations for April. 4 have graduated from the program. Of the remaining 5 students, 4 are one reading level away from grade-level expectations for April.

Teamwork between classroom teacher/reading specialist/parents has been very beneficial.

Nicolette stated that this program has helped to boost students' self-esteem. It helps everyone. If they improve, the whole class improves.

This program is really assessment-rich to be able to offer the assessable yet challenging levels.

The council viewed the parent feedback that have come in so far. This piece of data will reviewed later when more surveys come in.

Reading Specialists' Recommendations:

- Students remaining in the program would receive a more intensive intervention with one-on-one work with the specialist.
- Continued work through the summer to support retention of skills
- Increase services from 2x to 3x a week
- Home visits to train parents on how to support the student readers

Long term study to watch the progress of these students.

Diane will explore options for summer support.

Parent Survey Discussion

The council members broke up into small groups to review the drafts of the parent survey. This survey will be available to Saratoga parents at the end of April.

Next meeting agenda item: Look at extended funding for parent training and summer support.