

School Council Minutes from January, 2010

Members in attendance:

Lynette Geake, Principal
David Thompson, Special Area Teacher
Megan Bird, Primary Teacher
Judy Thompson, Intermediate Teacher
Kim Widner, Parent
Stephanie Ritscher, Parent
Elaina West, Community Member

Members absent:

Jill Healey, Parent
Karen Moe, Classified member

Guests:

None

Call to Public:

None

Action Items:

- 1) **Minutes approved from the November 2, 2009** meeting by all members.
- 2) Discussion of staff input on Vision from staff meeting November 3rd to finalize Vision recommendations. See attached staff input sheets.

*Our vision for Hidden Hills Elementary School is educational and personal excellence, where we foster **individual academic growth through a love of learning**, a strong work ethic, ~~individual~~ accountability and responsibility. Hidden Hills is a neighborhood ~~sanctuary~~ **center** for children and learning, involving the family and community in the education of the whole child.*

- 3) Discussion of staff input on Mission from staff meeting November 3rd to finalize Mission recommendations. See attached staff input sheets.

*The mission of Hidden Hills Elementary is to guide our students through the 21st century where children are technologically ~~savvy~~ **confident and able to communicate and work** well with others. Through a challenging and engaging curriculum, our students will become global learners, creative thinkers and critical problem solvers who understand the importance of mutual respect and civic responsibility.*

- 4) Review of staff and parent surveys regarding Values. Survey results:

30	Academic Excellence
18	Integrity
16	Respect
14	Honesty
12	Responsibility
12	Community
11	Character
10	Teamwork
9	Academic Achievement
8	Compassion
7	Accountability
5	Kindness
2	Civic Responsibility

HHES Existing Values:

Above all, the Hidden Hills Community values a positive school experience with students respect others, and possess the skills necessary to pursue meaningful lives. We value:

- Successful children
- Involved families and community members
- Dedicated professional teachers and staff

Updated PV Beliefs:

We Believe:

ALL students can achieve... and ALL means ALL

The individual student is our main focus

The highest quality educators guarantee the highest quality education

Parents are partners and valued resources in the educational process

A global mindedness is essential for students

Technology plays a critical role in the lives and successes of our students

Community and business partnerships are essential

HHES Revised Values – Rough Draft:

Above all, the Hidden Hills Community values a positive school experience where students respect others, and possess the skills necessary to pursue meaningful lives. We value:

- Academic excellence, where each individual child is challenged to achieve their personal best
- Developing strong morals, including integrity, respect, responsibility, and honesty
- Civic responsibility through teamwork, community outreach and compassion for others.

- 5) New **Belief Statement** rough draft to be shared with staff on January 5th at staff meeting for their input.
- 6) Schedule to complete Long Range Plan/Compass 2015 over the course of the 2009-10 school year...
 - i) February 1st meeting – review of staff input on **Belief statement** and begin focus on **Goals**
 - ii) March 1st meeting – review of staff input on **Goals** and focus on **Objectives**
 - iii) April 5th meeting – review of staff input on **Objectives** and review of entire Long Range Plan. Input from all stakeholders regarding rough draft of entire Long Range Plan.
 - iv) May 3rd meeting – Review of input regarding Long Range Plan and completion of document. Updated LRP to be shared via newsletter and website with all stakeholders

Items to be included on the February's agenda:

- a. Review of minutes from January 4, 2010 meeting
- b. Discussion of results of staff input on Belief Statement from January 5th staff meeting
- c. Discussion of revisions to HHES Goals for Long Range Plan/Compass 2015

Snacks for February Meeting to be provided by: Stephanie Ritscher and Jill Healey

March 1st meeting: **Objectives** Elaina West

April 5th meeting: **Rough Draft**

May 3rd meeting: **Final approval**

Kim Widner

