

ELHS Parent Council
September 18, 7 pm
Executive Board Only Meeting Minutes

Present: Kimbirly Bodfish, Lural Baltimore, Nancy Schertzing, Elizabeth Vanis, Jeanne Maguire, Andy Korest, Pat Riley, John Brandenburg, Ginger Pierce

7 – 7:15 Welcome of New Staff / Introductions. Jackie Chadwick-english, Jamie Young-english 1 & 2 football coach, Nicole Coss-counselor

I. Review and Approve Agenda and May 2012 Minutes

II. Principal's Report-John Brandenburg.

- Review of Challenges and Changes for the Upcoming Year (15 min)
- Common Core State Standards 46 States have adapted (governors). A method to address the achievement gap.
- John will become a common core advocate, 1 of 100 across the nation. Through Student Achievement Partners (non-profit, materials free from copy rights).

English Language Arts

3 shifts: Building knowledge through non-fiction, knowledge through text, academic text
Literature/informational text: 50/50, 60/40, 70/30. How to read for knowledge and how to extract information from the text.

Math-currently adapting Four ELHS reps went to national conference. Working with Bill Schmidt.

3 shifts: Focus – too wide not deep enough. Coherency within a grade and then as you go grade to grade continuing to build up. Rigor, conceptual understanding (deeply); fluency (e.g. times tables, vocabulary); meaningful application.

Mentoring-all students have someone who 'cares' about them throughout the entire high school career. 2 Wednesday's a month. Addressing individual needs. Following each student for four years.

III. Calendar of Meeting Dates and Speakers – Tessie Gutierrez

- Oct-Trends in college admissions
- Nov-Officer Steve Whelan
- Jan-John achievement gap/common core
- Feb
- March
- April-Woulda, Coulda, Shoulda
- May

IV. 2012-2013 Budget Review and Approval – Andy Korest

- 2012-2013 Parent Council draft budget.
- Comparison of last years' budget. Fundraising is significantly less. Decreased teacher grants from \$5,000 to \$3,000.

- Nancy to follow-up with Anita Kelly about a lost check from 2011-2012 PC budget.
- Motion to approve budget with adjustment to gifts – reduction from \$340 to \$200.

V. Volunteer Coordinator Report – Teri Thompson
Participation – sign up is low and the trend continues to decrease over the years.

VI. New Parent Mtg on Weds – Council Presentation – Lural B and Jeanne M (5 min)

VII. Misc / New Business

Adjourned – 8:37pm

Next meeting: October 16 Focus Topic: Trends in College Admissions

Representatives from MSU, LCC and Albion will join us to discuss the latest trends in college admissions. An updated school profile and Class of 2011 college choice data will be provided.

2012-2013 Leadership Team

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Landscaping Cleanup Coordinator	tbd	

School Board Rep: Pat Riley (temp til January)

* Youngest child is senior this year