

SAC Meeting Minutes November 9, 2011

Members in Attendance

J.G.	Transportation
J.Y.	Parent Representative
M.M.	Parent
A.C.	Teacher
C.M.	SLO
D.G.	Command Representative
K.R.	Assistant Principal
A.L.V.W	Parent
M.T.	Secretary
C.A.	Teacher
B.P.	Parent

Called to Order: 3:02

- I. Principal's Report (K.R.)
 - a. Current enrollment- 204
 - b. CHOICES Night was a great success! 100 persons attended, PTSO provided soup. There were many volunteers from the school and the community.
 - c. Monday 11/14 is parent conference day at the Middle-High School. Teachers will be available from 9:45 to 1:00pm in the cafeteria to answer questions and address individual student concerns.
 - d. November holidays: Veteran's Day 11/11, Thanksgiving Holiday, 11/24 & 11/25
- II. Command Report (D.G.)
 - a. No new groups are coming in right now
 - b. Tent city is down in Mineo
 - c. Skeleton crew is left (French)
 - d. Most NATO troops have gone
 - e. 300 iPads are coming this week
 - f. Exchange hours are changing- they will be closing at 21:00
 - g. Bus schedule is being revised soon
 - h. Orphanage POC was requested for volunteers, donations, etc.
- III. Transportation Report (J.G.)
 - a. Two departure delays- outbound, 10/26 and 11/3
 - b. Elementary school is increasing to 466 riders
 - c. 11 busses currently serve Marinai
 - d. 5 busses serve SPED/Sure Start
 - e. Security training for bus drivers is scheduled for November 16th and 17th
 - f. One misbehavior report for the month
- IV. SLO Report (C.M.)
 - a. 25 volunteers from various commands participated in the Culture of Kindness event, "The Amazing Race"
 - b. No issues to report
- V. Booster Club
 - a. Dodge ball tournament is coming up
 - b. Winter Sports are starting
 - c. There will be four basketball home-games this season
- VI. PTSO Report (B.P.)
 - a. PTSO supported CHOICES night- soup-sale was a success, all sold out!
 - b. Membership is slowly going up

- c. Seminar classes are still trying to reach 100% enrollment for a pizza party
- VII. 2010-2011 End of Year Report
- a. The end of year report is due to the chain of command- we need to think about setting goals for this school year
 - b. Goals for 2011-2012
 - i. Ongoing improvement of communication
 - ii. Continue the Culture of Kindness anti-bullying efforts started last year
 - iii. Need increased parent/stakeholder involvement
 - 1. SLO Facebook page
 - 2. Marinai Facebook page
 - 3. School Corner in the Signature
 - iv. How can SAC support the upcoming certification visit in April 2012?
 - 1. Participate in CSI progress, a commercial for AFN was suggested
 - 2. Dedicated/scrolling information channel on AFN was inquired about
- VIII. School Intranet started and then was taken down. It is not possible in DoDDS Europe at this time.
- IX. SAC Regulations and Bylaws
- a. Required to share these with members
 - b. SAC is required for DoDDS including the involvement of the Chain of Command
 - c. Website will be sent out: http://www.dodea.edu/foia/iod/pdf/i1342_15.pdf
- X. DARE Training
- a. Mrs. D. is working with security officers to provide drug and alcohol awareness. She will discuss this again next week.
- XI. No old business
- XII. No new business
- XIII. Open Forum
- a. Parent L. V.W. raised concern over the weight of student backpacks. Several potential solutions were raised:
 - i. Use of online textbooks is wide throughout school
 - ii. Many classes have class-set of books so it is not necessary to bring books to and from school
 - iii. Lockers can help
 - iv. Mr. C.B. will inquire from all teachers the extent to which these resources are available in school and disseminate these resources to parents so they are informed. Will follow up with summary of findings next meeting.
 - b. The AVID program needs a tutor. The position pays \$10 an hour and has a maximum of 48 hours each month. Class times are an hour and a half in the morning each day and some out of class time is included, as well. Contact the AVID Coordinator, M.T. at michal.turner@eu.dodea.edu for more information.
 - c. Attendance policy was discussed- students who miss more than 7 days each semester for reasons other than school-related travel may be ineligible to receive credit for their classes. This is a DoDDS policy and it is at the discretion of local administration to make final credit decisions.
 - d. IT issues have made instruction difficult including low bandwidth, unavailability of common drives, and unreliable connections. This issue was tabled and will be added to the agenda of the next meeting.

Call to Adjourn- C.A.
Second- M.T.

Meeting adjourned @ 16:04

Minutes recorded by M.T. and A.C.