

MINUTES

Cupertino Language Immersion Program Community Organization (CLIPCO)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meyerholz Elementary School

6990 Melvin Drive San Jose, CA 95129

Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 7:00 pm, GLC, Meyerholz

I. Preliminary

- A. Call to Order - 7:10 pm
- B. Approval of March Meeting Minutes - passed

In attendance: 7th grade CLIP students and their parents, boyscouts working on merit badge (Ronald Wang, Liang Chao, Hanting Zhang, Richard Cao, Michael Yang, Gavin Wong), Heather Simonovich, Steve Burrell, Sylvia Leong, Drew Coleman, Bill Steinmetz, Lijuan Wang, Ted Fong, Walter Perez, Nan Jiang, Rachel Turkal, Mike Gebbie, Marge Sung, Julie Wann, Yu Huei (Helen) Lin, Ivy Lau, Yin Yin Pao, Jon Campbell, Kathleen Ko, Jean Wang, Nichole Tan, Sherman Chan, Ann Ruckstahl

II. Officer Reports

- A. President's Report - 9 or 10 openings for next year's reps, 2 have already been replaced. Reps who are stepping down should approach someone in their child's grade to be the rep next year.
- B. Treasurer's Report - none this month
- C. Principals' Reports

Mr. Coleman - science fair this week, 40 participants, open to kids, had parent volunteers help, kids were engaged. Next week, 3rd round of writer's workshop training next week, planning for next year. Neighborhood 4th graders Sacramento trip today. School psychologist giving a series of talks about kids' social/emotional health on 4 Thursday evenings. On track to meet most of academic goals, have reduced aggressive behaviors. On track to meet tech goals in classroom, have macs and PCs in classroom. CASPP testing next week - kids don't need to worry, just get a good night's sleep. STAMP testing coming soon. 6 ½ weeks to go of school year, there will be a few end of year celebrations/events. 100 ipads from district, PTA bought cases and keyboards, school received 130 new devices this year. \$20/child for tech, can be used for software or hardware, so upgrades will happen as necessary.

Mr. Burrell - school year winding down, in 5th sports season, had track meet at Miller today. CASPP testing next week, math portion, taking summative portion, following week computer adaptive section for writing. Homework should be lighter during test weeks. End of May, hosting CLIP 5th grade and 8th grade graduation at Miller. Had a successful Yosemite trip, 400 students. 8th grade award night, 8th grade Great America trip coming up.

III. Committee Reports

- A. Community Outreach Committees
- B. Cultural Enrichment Committees

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

- A. Budget Vote (every line item is open for discussion each year, nothing is locked in from one year to the next)
 - 1. 6 - 3.5 hours IA per day (K-12) - 12 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstained. Motion passed

2. Homework Club (contracted employee) (\$10,000) - 7 in favor, 1 opposed, 4 abstained. Motion passed
3. Reader's Workshop w/o IA Time.
 - a) 1 day guided reading training (2-3)/ 1 day release date or training (K-1);
 - b) Reading/Assesment Release Time (K - \$1800, 1st - \$1800, 2nd - \$900, 3rd - \$900);
 - c) Leveled Reading Literature to support guided reading (K-1; 2500 and 2-3; 5000) - \$7,500;
 - d) Reading Assessment Licenses (2-3) - \$5760; (\$22,860 for 1 year for 2nd/3rd grade),
 - e) pending review and approval of contract -
 - f) 9 in favor, 2 opposed, 2 abstained. Motion passed.
 - g) Concerned raised:
 - (1) CLIP teachers have many new initiatives on their plates, it's too much to expect them to take this on, too. Also, waiting a year may give the developers time to improve the program.
 - (2) What happens if software fails? Can we go to paper version? This needs to be clarified.
 - (3) 2nd and 3rd grade teachers will use it this year. These teachers support this curriculum. Next year, we will vote again on implementing program in 4th and 5th grade.
4. Motion to pass rest of budget - 10 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained.

Recommendation - we communicate to community that this budget will decrease stress on teachers, give them more support, Jon will write a letter to parents. Teacher appreciation week is first week of May - anything that parents can do will help.

VI. Public Address

VII. ADJOURNMENT - 9:48 pm