

SSC MINUTES – SUPPLEMENT

The following are supplemental Minutes of the January 10, 2008 meeting of the School Site Council of Hillcrest Elementary School.

4a. Adopted By-laws Signed. The revised By-laws that were approved with two changes at the December 13, 2007 meeting were signed by the SSC Chair, Secretary and Principal Rothenberg. Beverly will retain the original of the signed By-laws and will circulate an electronic copy to all SSC members.

4b. Approval of Minutes. The Minutes for the December 13, 2007 SSC meeting, with one change suggested by Principal Rothenberg, were unanimously approved. They will be posted on the school website.

4c. Updated Single Plan for Student Achievement. Beverly confirmed that the revised 2007-2008 Single Plan for Student Achievement has been signed and submitted to OUSD based upon the SSC approval given at the December 13, 2007 meeting. Beverly will circulate an electronic copy of the Plan to all SSC members.

4d. Scope of SSC and LRPC Charters and Future Activities of the LRPC. Discussion was held regarding the scope of the charter and responsibilities of the SSC and whether the LRPC was to be considered a sub-committee of the SSC, or a committee of its own genesis. While there appears no express statement in the SSC materials that the SSC is to address over enrollment issues at the school, the fact that the responsibility of the SSC includes matters relating to school facilities and the climate of the school, in addition to academic issues, present a general framework for the SSC to address enrollment issues. Beverly commented that charters for SSC's are intentionally phrased as general statements to give flexibility to SSC's to address site-related matters as they may arise. Therefore, and in light of the involvement of the SSC during the Spring of 2007 in launching the LRPC, the LRPC will report its actions on a monthly basis to the SSC. Chair Molly volunteered to prepare a statement from the SSC addressing the clarification of the relationship and roles of the SSC and LRPC, such statement to be posted in the SSC's section of the website and to be included in an edition of the Yellow Pages; Charles said he would help.

Shannon (PTA President and member of the LRPC), Charles and Darcy briefly reviewed the accomplishments of the LRPC to date, including, submission of the comprehensive Final Report to OUSD, focusing the Board on the need to address overcrowding in the hills schools (a problem opposite to that experienced in other OUSD schools), opening the mind of the OUSD Board to the possibility of utilizing additional sites in the hills area for school expansion, protecting the middle school (at least for now), opening the OUSD Board to the possibility of coordinating K admissions at Hillcrest with neighboring schools, and getting the Board to adopt a staff regulation that would give siblings of out-of-area students (who become so due to being redirected from their priority school choices) some priority in the enrollment process at their second choice schools.

Further, in light of the actions and non-actions taken by the OUSD Board at the December 19, 2007 meeting regarding future over enrollment challenges at Hillcrest, and the submission of the LRPC Final Report of October 2007 to OUSD, the LRPC needs to formulate its charter and agenda for future activities. On motion from Mike and second from Charles, the LRPC was directed to present to the SSC at the February 14, 2008 meeting the LRPC's plan for: (i) extending the term of the LRPC, (ii) re-constituting, to the extent necessary, its membership at the end of each school year, and (iii) identifying the enrollment items that it will address, both in the short run (i.e., prior to April 28, 2008) and in the long run. The foregoing motion was unanimously adopted.

4e. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 AM. The next meeting for the SSC is scheduled for February 14, 2008. Beverly will bring chocolate.

End of Supplemental Minutes