

Eldorado K8 - SIT Minutes

From meeting on 9 -9-09

I. Meeting attendees:

Principal – Robyn Hamasaki	Community rep (Rocky Mtn. Fire) – Dan Young
Asst. Principal – Lora De la Cruz	Community Rep (Town of Sup. Trustee) – Debra Williams
DAC rep - Allison Elterich	K – 5 Faculty rep – Elaine Smith (?)
K-2 parent rep – Dina Sprenger	K – 5 Faculty rep – Jenny Payne (?)
Grade 3 -5 parent /Secretary – Shannan Reese	Grade 6- 8 Facult rep – Sarah Costin
6th grade parent rep – <i>absent</i>	Grade 6 -8 Faculty rep – Nichole Barnett
6 th grade parent rep – Jody Wickers	Grade 6 -8 Faculty rep – Pam Brenner
7 th grade parent rep – Brian Yost	
8 th grade parent rep – none assigned	
SEA liaison - <i>absent</i>	

II. New business:

- A. Introductions of new SIT members; includes staff members of the TIES team (team that prepares the School Improvement Plan - SIP).
- B. New SIT staff members include: Jenny Payne, Elaine Smith, Sarah Costin, Nichole Barnett, Lora De la Cruz.
- C. New SIT parent members include:
 - Mary Windhausen (Community parent rep – no child et in EK8)
 - Kimi Bender (6th grade parent rep.) – previous meeting
 - Brian Yost (7th grade parent rep.)
- D. SIT's responsibilities and blending with TIES team (Robyn):
 - SIT equals School Improvement. Therefore, logical that the TIES team, who analyzes and prepares report for School Improvement join with SIT
 - Need both staff and parent input on SIP
 - Robyn and staff members explained process of how to examine data and derive from it a goal;
 - Then, staff and parent members applied this learning by working in small groups to create a reading goal for some education subgroups, including male, female, TAG, Special Ed., ELL, ELL with only native language spoken in home, free and reduced lunch, and several other groups. – specifically, set goal for either increased
 - Learned about statistically derived CSAP scores:
 - previous scores titled, “weighted index” scores; now are called “growth” scores, and the number value differs from weighted index numerical values.
 - Robyn presented process that TIES team uses to determine school's goals for improvement (and to be included in School Improvement Plan).
- E. DAC report (Allison Elterich and Brian Yost)
 - At meeting, Brian presented “best practices” for school improvement plans at the DAC meeting. He cited examples from several schools whose SIPs were very good.

- Brian will present this information to our SIT, as well at 10/21 meeting.
- DAC representatives are learning how to read and better assess various schools' SIPs

F. SEA report (rotating SIT member – this time, Shannan Reese)

- Quick meeting; reviewed budget, discussed ideas on how to increase family contributions to Capital Campaign

G. Fire safety (Dan Young) – wants to implement fire safety curriculum that is more enriching than previous fire safety instructions for students, and is graduated to be developmentally appropriate, including for older students (middle level).

- Dan will work with Lora De la Cruz to implement this in classrooms.

Next SIT meetings:

- 3rd Wed. of each month: 10/21/09, 11/18/09, none in December.
- Time: 4 – 5:30 p.m.
- Location: EK8 library