

School Site Council Meeting
October 24, 2011
Room 134

The meeting was called to order at 3:45pm by Tom Chambers, chair. Absent excused: Doug Bullard, Alex Hsieh Absent: Mike Prutz, Cynthia Darling and Carolina Picazo (alternates)

I. Approve minutes of September 12, 2011 meeting. Lisa Pollard moved to approve the minutes with minor spelling corrections: "Lisa Pollock" → "Lisa Pollard"; "Deborah Aghbib" → "Deborah Aghib"; "Regarding" → "Regarding". Terry Abad seconded. Motion passed.

II. Public Comment – In accordance with Article II Section 1B Number 10, Mr. Weaver requested Cynthia Darling replace his position and serve out the rest of his term. The Council thanked Mr. Weaver for all his time on the SSC.

III. Old Business

A. Election Committee Reports/Introductions of members

The Council welcomed new parent and community representatives: Leonel Dickey, Debbie Gee Wong, and Pui-Yan Kwok.

B. Discuss, modify and/or approve revised budget for 2011-12 year

Terry Abad recommended the Council consider appropriating the \$6,800 left over from WSF funds into increased hours for the school security guards. At the beginning of last school year, the security guards got an eighth of their pay cut, by having their hours cut. The PTSA and the Lowell Alumni Association have provided small stipends; however, Mr. Abad urged the Council consider using site funding to increase their hours. Terry Abad moved to allocate \$6,800 from the WSF fund to increase hours for security guards. Mr. Emerson seconded. Motion passed.

Dennis Weaver moved to request the payroll for AP Coordinator and Student Activities Director be listed in the budget as a line item as opposed to extra hours. Terry Abad seconded. Mr. Weaver believes this will increase transparency and provide a roadmap for future budget adjustments. Andrew Ishibashi reminded the Council that this is already done publicly, just without names and not in the budget. Mr. Chambers recommended this request be fulfilled in a separate report after the Council approves the current budget. Mr. Weaver modified his motion – that the payroll for the AP Coordinator and Student Activities Director be shown in a separate report to be presented to the Council at the next scheduled meeting. This motion passed.

Terry Abad moved to adopt the budget. Dennis Weaver seconded. This motion passed.

IV. New Business

A. BSC – The district wants Lowell to discuss early warning indicators for 9th graders who score basic and below on the CST. Andrew Ishibashi moved to add a subsection under BSC Goal 1 regarding this. Guitron seconded. This motion passed.

B. Facilities Committee Report – Linda Guitron presented. The committee's short term goal is to get commitment from the school district to paint the outside of Lowell's main building and the Ts. The committee's long-term goal is dependent on potential federal stimulus money to improve schools' infrastructure. The Council agrees that Lowell should be at the top of the list of recipients if the stimulus ever comes and that we should have a plan ready for any potential funding. The Council and the facilities committee will work with the Lowell community to discuss several proposals: 2nd Gym, expansion

of the library, a student union, roofing of courtyard with Plexiglas. Mr. Emerson reports that small improvements of the Ts (mini-gardens, plants) are already underway. The facilities committee is looking for students, parents, and community members to serve on it. If interested, contact Ms. Guitron @ guitronl@sfusd.edu.

C. Election of Officers for 2011-12

Recording Secretary – Mr. Emerson nominates Shin San (2012 student rep). She is reelected by acclamation. **Corresponding Secretary**: Dennis Weaver nominates Linda Guitron. She is also reelected by acclamation. **Vice Chair**: Dennis Weaver nominates Debbie Gee Wong. She accepts and is elected. **Chair**: Mr. Emerson nominates Tom Chambers. Dennis Weaver nominates Terry Abad. Mr. Abad respectfully declines. Chambers is elected.

D. Proposed Regular Meeting Dates

Oct 17	Feb 13
Oct 31	Feb 27
Nov 14	Mar 12
Dec 5	Apr 9
Jan 9	Apr 30
Jan 30	May 14

Two changes are made. (1) Feb 27th meeting is moved to March 5th because WASC will be there on March 5th. (2) March 12th meeting is moved to March 19th. Should we meet on Oct. 17th and 31st? Bryan Marten proposed to cancel the meetings on October 17th and October 31st since the Council has finished BSC reports and passed the budget. Mr. Chambers recommended that those two October meetings be replaced by a meeting on Oct 24th. Dennis Weaver moved to adopt these adjusted meeting dates. Ishibashi seconded. Motion passed.

V. Adjournment (Next Regular Meeting October 24th) Ishibashi moved to adjourn. April BaSaing seconded. Motion passed.

Submitted by Shin San