

**McNeil Canyon Elementary**  
**Site Council Meeting**  
03 Dec 15

**Members Present:** Pete Swanson, Dale Banks, Sean Rhodes, Matt Hakala (telephonically), Joanna Greene, Melon Purcell and Laura Sheldon.

**Members Absent:** Mark Marette.

**Others Present:** None.

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 pm.

Pete explained the representation, role and prior accomplishments of our Site Council to our newest member, Sean.

Pete explained Site Councils role in over site of pupil activity funds.

Matt joined the meeting telephonically.

Pete handed out the pupil activity financial reports and explained the different pupil activity related accounts. Laura explained how some classes have bigger budgets.

Pete handed out District handbook and McNeil supplement for review of the discipline policy. This information was also e-mailed to members last week. Pete explained the latitude that administrators have about delivering consequences. Everyone agreed it seems pretty straight forward and looks good.

Pete handed out our school smart goal. After school ends in the Spring, Pete and one teacher attend a Leadership Academy. In the past we looked at SBA data when setting goals. However, there are no similarities between SBA and AMP to enable any comparisons. AMP data should be given to parents sometime the end of this month. Overall state wide scores dropped in half. McNeil fared much better. We are in the top 10% in the state.

These are goals that we set for our site: reading comprehension fluency, and correct writing sequences. Pete asked if there were any questions or thoughts regarding these goals.

NCLB act has expired. Federal oversight has really pulled back in the new ESSA, Every Student Succeeds Act.

Pete stated that we either meet our goals or we don't. McNeil Staff will be looking at each student individually to ensure they are making progress or maintain their score if they are above 75%tile.

Dale left at 4:30 pm.

Pete handed out School Board Discussion information about transportation services. They want to make Homer into a two tier system like they switched to in the central peninsula. Joanna asked if transportation information will be in our newsletter? Much discussion was held.

Melon left at 4:45 pm

Pete handed out FY17 Budget Review – Continuing Projections. This document was reviewed by all. We got moved to the Small Elementary group last year with has a much higher PTR. With the proposed increase in PTR for next year, we will lose another teacher. If you look in the board packet under resignations, you will see that Debbie is retiring. We won't be dropping a teacher but we will lose a teacher position. The District is also looking at custodians and secretaries but don't have a recommendation yet on how to reduce those positions. They are also looking at cutting supply budget, changing ass't principal jobs, athletic director jobs and counselor jobs. These are drastic kinds of things – and this is the best case scenario based on flat funding from state. If there are reductions from the state, it will be worse.

Matt asked if we could put a note in the newsletter to check out board packets.

Pete states that there are some fun seasonal events coming up: next Thursday is the Holiday Moosical, and Friday is Writer's Workshop. The following week on Wednesday is mini-workshops, Thursday will be cookies and soup mixes. We are also collecting Food for Share the Spirit and hats/gloves for homeless students.

Pete asked if there were any questions or other thoughts.

Pete reviewed class configurations from 1997-98 to present.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Sheldon