

Meeting Summary SCPC

School Community Partnership Council – District Council Planning Meeting

Date: 5/20/2013

Location: TUSD District Office at 1010 E. 10th St.

Call to Order: Kathy Sutherland, 5:35pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Kathy Sutherland

Attendance: Kathy Sutherland (Moderator), Michelle Simon (Secretary), Gary Fowler (Co-Moderator), James Fish (District Leadership Representative), and 2 district representatives (see attendance records).

1. Discussion of SCPC Meetings for 2013/2014 School Year:

Notes: Schedule of meetings is created for the entire year to help alleviate issues with other meeting conflicts. TUSD held many special meetings regarding the Unitary Status Plan and the School Master Plan on days when the SCPC was scheduled.

Additional Discussion and Decisions:

1. The group discussed the need to have more general meetings in order to increase the effectiveness of the group.
2. Proposal was put forth to have planning meetings on a date separate from general meetings each month.
3. The group unanimously decided to change all SCPC meetings to General sessions. Planning sessions will be held on separate days.
4. General meetings will start at 6pm and will be held at the Tucson Magnet High School Cafeteria.
5. Planning meetings will start at 5:30pm and will be held at the TUSD District Office Board Room.
6. The proposed schedule for **General Meetings** is as follows:
 - a. August 19, 2013
 - b. September 16, 2013
 - c. October 21, 2013
 - d. November 18, 2013
 - e. December 16, 2013
 - f. January 27, 2014
 - g. February 17, 2014
 - h. March 31, 2014
 - i. April 21, 2014
 - j. May 19, 2014
7. The proposed schedule for **Planning Meetings** is as follows:
 - a. September 10, 2013
 - b. October 8, 2013
 - c. November 12, 2013
 - d. December 10, 2013
 - e. January 14, 2014
 - f. February 11, 2014
 - g. March 11, 2014
 - h. April 8, 2014
 - i. May 13, 2014
 - j. June 10, 2014

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2. SCPC Elections for 2013/2014 School Year:

Notes: Elections were held during the April 19, 2013 general meeting. Ballots were tabulated and all current members of the executive committee were re-elected by unanimous vote. The following is the list of executive members for the 2013-2014 school year:

1. Kathy Sutherland-Moderator
2. Gary Fowler-Co-Moderator
3. Leo Masursky-Board Liaison
4. Michelle Simon-Secretary

Decisions:

1. A proposal was made to appoint a "back up" for Board Liaison. This would ensure that SCPC provided information at each board meeting in the event the current Board Liaison could not be in attendance.
2. The group agreed to coordinate with the Board Liaison and make sure that a member of the executive committee or representative as determined is in attendance at the board meetings where the Board Liaison cannot be in attendance.

3. SCPC Priorities for 2013/2014 School Year:

Notes: The group revisited the discussion about the Unitary Status Plan and the impact on the district and community. This topic needs to be addressed in the upcoming school year and additional presentations should be considered. The group also discussed the need to focus on topics that are pertinent to the community, parents, school district, and school board. The coordination between the board and the SCPC is crucial to this process. Having board members in attendance has had a positive impact on the group.

Group discussions also focused on how to promote SCPC, its relationship with the board and district, how to communicate the purpose of SCPC to the greater community, and clear expectations of all stakeholders. The group discussed ways to involve the community, parents, and staff in the activities of SCPC. A coordinated effort must occur within the SCPC membership to increase diversity and attendance within the group.

Continued focus on the financial concerns of the district and transitions are a priority for the upcoming school year. Presentations regarding these topics are of great importance to the group.

Decisions:

1. Promotion to TUSD administration and principals about the importance of SCPC and how it is different from Site Council is crucial. A membership committee will be created to address this issue.
2. Requests will be made for additional presentations about the Unitary Status Plan, School Master Plan, and Budgetary information.
3. Requests will be made for presentations regarding transitions to include moving to a new school and between grade transitions.
4. A request will be made for the new Superintendent to meet with SCPC in the beginning of the school year.
5. Planning meetings will provide greater focus and structure for the content presented at the General meetings.
6. The group would like to "showcase" schools within the district at General meetings in order to promote what TUSD "does right" versus always hearing about what is wrong.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:05pm (Kathy Sutherland)

Summary prepared by: Michelle Simon, 6/1/2013

Summary Approved: