Site Council Meeting Minutes November 29, 2023

Community and Staff Present

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Welcome- sign-in

2024-25 Draft Calendar:

A draft of the 2024-25 HOB calendar was shared. It was noted that the calendar was difficult to build and even with going after Memorial Day by three school days there are still five Saturday Schools. A question was brought up about shortening the winter break, but it was shared that teachers want the same time off as the rest of the district so they can spend that time with their families. Attendees were told that this is only a draft calendar and that it needs district and state approval before being finalized.

Student Council:

Our student council would like to host a 3-day bake sale on the last week of school before break. This would be on Tues, Wed, Thur (12/12, 12/13, 12/14). These are oil and fish days, so we will be selling vegan treats.

We are looking for parents to help bake goods and send them to school to be sold. We will be meeting as a whole council next Wednesday to have kids sign-up for whatever they can bring. Maybe just a mention at the site council meeting. 1) that we are looking/hoping for some bakes goods to be brought in, and 2) to send money to school with kids on these three days so kids can buy a treat.

Also, we have been bouncing around the idea of restarting the café after Christmas, but we are hoping to get parents volunteers to help us run the café and shop for the snacks. I figured this would be a better thing to suggest to PTA, but maybe a mention at the site council meeting would be helpful, so parents know that we are wanting to restart the café, but only under the guidance and direction of parent volunteers.

❖ PTA:

Thanks for Parent/teacher conference food, reviewing BOB books, purposeful meetings, supporting classroom projects, and overall support of the school.

Winter benchmarking dates:

mClass k-5 reading: December 5th thru the 15th Aims math k-2: December 11th – January 12th MAPS 3-10: December 5th to January 12th I-ready k-5 math January 8th to the 26th

Attendance:

A daily attendance rate printout was shared showing that our overall attendance for the year is 84%. The attendance rate was broken down by grade with the 12th grade students having the lowest attendance at 52%.

Migrant:

*Migrant is finishing up with recruiting, we have 687 approved students across the district. I am still waiting for some signed forms to come back to me from Voz families, so I can reenroll their students this year.

*Please let Migrant families know that they are welcome to join the Head of the Bay WhatsApp group and can PM me for an invite at (907) 299-3086. This is where many events and opportunities are advertised, as well as by email and post.

*We just returned from our Close Up Washington D.C. program and had the best group of students! Seven students attended from the Head of the Bay Schools. Thank you to teachers and families for allowing them the opportunity to attend! This will show up on their high school transcript as: .5 Elective - Current Issues (Course TT735)

*Cold Water Safety for Middle School Migrant students will be held this Saturday.

*I am trying to get Cold Water Safety on the books for February for High School Students, more information to come.

*STEAM kits are being assembled in the next week or so and will be mailed out to all Migrant families living in remote areas. Our Migrant Team is hoping that students can enjoy the activities over winter break.

Kenai Peninsula College: (Kachemak Bay Campus)

- Next Thursday, Dec. 7th at 3:30 pm we will be having an informational meeting at the beginning of our regular KBC Adult Education class time in Portable 2 about the Financial Literacy using Quickbooks class that we will be teaching Thursdays, 3:30-5:30 next semester, starting January. Anyone who would like more information or to register should come to that meeting. Space in that class is limited to 7 participants. Class is free. Pre-registration is required. For more information they should call KBC Adult Ed at 235-1602.
- (This class is also going to be offered Tuesday nights in Homer, in person, if anyone knows folks closer to Homer that would like to attend).

Project Grad:

- We are nearing the end of our forensics unit. Our most recent activity focused on fire investigations. Students
 worked in small groups to create a storyline about a structure fire and then build their small structure out of
 popsicle sticks, tape and glue.
- Yesterday, Kachemak Emergency Services joined CHILL Time to talk about fire safety, a career as a
 firefighter/EMT and then stood by as students partially burned the structures they created. Today, students will
 investigate the burn patterns of other group's structures to determine the origin of the fire and compare to the
 original storyline and see if they investigated correctly.
- Project GRAD's CHILL Time has registered 2 teams (between their 4 CHILL schools) to compete in Alaska's Science Olympiad competition in Fairbanks in February. So far Voz has 8 confirmed students joining us for the competition, as well as a couple of parents.

A Rotary Books for Classrooms:

Classroom teachers were able to choose individual books, class sets, or any combination of books that equal the number of students in our school.

Next Meeting: TBD