

**Nimitz School**  
**School Site Council Meeting Minutes**  
**April 5, 2007**

Dale Jones called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. Attendees included Carla DeMartini, Dale Jones, Kristen Nelsen, Janet Oshiro, Fiona Sadowski, Charlene Smith and Jim Vaughan.

**Minutes from Previous Meetings:**

The minutes from the March 8, 2007 meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Charlene, seconded by Kristen, and passed.

**Principal's Updates:**

The staff learning day on March 23<sup>rd</sup> was focused on the writing assessments. The SSC reviewed samples of one fifth grade student's writing from the fall and the spring. The organization and skills learned from Step Up to Writing were apparent.

**Discussion Items:**

**Budget** – The budget has not changed significantly from the March SSC meeting.

**Block Grants** – Our expenditures for the discretionary and art and music block grants have been approved by the school board. We have received \$31,858 of the discretionary grant. The art/music/P.E. block grant has not been received yet but should be similar in amount to the discretionary block grant.

**Parent Survey** – The results of the parent survey from 05-06 and 06-07 were handed out. There have been 204 responses to the survey so far, and we will keep it active for one more week. The SSC will review the results of the parent survey and discuss it at the May meeting.

**School Plan** – We have made minor changes to the School Plan (as requested by the district), since it was approved at our March meeting. We will add the results of the parent survey to the section titled, "Conclusions from Parent, Teacher and Student Input." The School Plan is due to the district April 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Gate Plan** – Ryan Freed has taken over the GATE program since Jill Matuk is on maternity leave. The GATE students are working on a journalism curriculum and will be publishing a school newspaper in the near future. The GATE plan for 07-08 was reviewed. Janet made a motion to approve the GATE plan and Charlene seconded. It was voted upon and passed. It will be added to the 07-08 School Plan.

**SSC Nominations** – We have four SSC members (Janet, Jim, James and Tracy) whose two-year terms are up this spring. Janet and Jim do not plan on returning. We need to recruit for these positions. Kristen will publish a request for SSC nominations in the Dolphin, and Dale and the rest of the SSC will try to speak to some potential candidates.

**Suggestions/Ideas** – Fiona asked what criteria the library task force is using to choose which books to purchase for the library. The library task force is visiting other libraries, taking input from teachers and using an online book resource for librarians.

Agenda Items for next meeting: Budget, Block Grants, Parent Survey, SSC Nominations, Safe Schools Plan and Plans for Next Year

Next meeting: May 10, 2007, 5:30 p.m. in the staff room.

May Treats – James

Meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kristen Nelsen