

SCS Parents Group Meeting Minutes

05Dec2008, Seacoast Charter School – Jocalyn’s classroom

In attendance: Claudia Rice, Ron Gross, Eileen Liponis, Sandra Smith, Rob Wise, Julie Wise, Ellen DeRosa, Colleen Valinoti, Sue Beilski, Karyn Cassidy, Amy Rothery, Bill Wilmot

- 1) **Site Visit** (Bill) – The Charter is up for renewal this year, which happens every 5 years. A small group of reviewers (members of DOE, Charter School, Public School and Consultant) come to the school to check out the classrooms, visit with the School Board, meet some parents. The visit lasts one day and is scheduled for some time in January. They make a recommendation to the State Board of Education.
- 2) **Summer School** (Bill) – Bill is starting to investigate the possibilities for next summer.
- 3) **After School** (Bill) – Looking for more ongoing programs.
 - a) Currently we use the Bakie School, but can be at SCS if there is more interest.
 - b) Looking for 1/2 to 1/3 year-length programs.
 - c) Maybe a small fee to cover cost – maybe hire someone to run each/all programs
 - d) Eileen/Bill making a survey for the Winter Concert
- 4) **Craft Project** – (Bill) currently there are 30 signed up.
- 5) **Annual Fund** (Eileen) – Sent every year to every family and are looking for 100% participation from parents.
- 6) **Treasure Mapping** (Eileen) – A method to get families/donors interested in the school
 - a) Part of fundraising
 - b) Cultivates monthly support
 - c) Culminates in one ‘ask’ event
 - d) Average monthly attendance is 20
 - e) Think about your own network and circle of friends and who you would want to invite
 - f) Business cards are available that detail the dates for the Spotlights
 - g) December spotlight will be prior to the Winter Concert
 - h) Next Spotlight focuses on Educators (need to invite Librarians)
 - i) Need 2 hosts for January 21st meeting, please contact Bill if you are interested.
- 7) **Next Year’s Plan** (Bill) – we want to be at 130 students, with one more 5/6th grade class
- 8) **Winter Concert** (Sandy) – Mary M giving info to Sandy so she can create a flyer. Sue B will proof then post.
- 9) **School Council** (Bill) – elections/voting required for new members
 - a) Currently focusing on School/Home communications (progress reports, etc)
 - b) Ron G still a member from last year
 - c) Ron G nominated Colleen and Bill Jordan, Claudia seconded, all were in favor
- 10) **Upcoming Parent’s Group meetings** – January 6th at 2 pm in the cafeteria.