

## NAC Meeting

March 13, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:06

**Minutes** for February, with corrections, were approved.

**Orchids:** Annette and AJ for their article in the Kirkland Courier.

**Principal's Report:** In 2004 a request for lighting was made under capital projects. More lighting was installed but one walkway was missed. The district is working on a plan to improve the lighting very soon. Gail is retiring this year, June 30 is her last day as principal. They are looking at reconfiguring the position so that we may not have one principal covering several schools and programs which is the current situation. She started 38 years ago to teach. There have been some periods of not working, while staying home with kids, etc.

**Teacher's Report:** Thank you to Gail for all her hard work representing N\*'s interests. Bob had an email from the survivor of September 11 who spoke during conference week. She received thank you notes from the students and it meant a great deal to her. She is putting them into her "keep it forever" file. Bob pointed out some of the art projects that Janet has on display around the room as examples of the kid's work.

**Treasurer's Report:** We are on track for the budget. Everything looks normal at this stage.

**Community Building:** Staff appreciation, international dinner and talent show are the big events coming up in May. We need shadows for this event coordinator and for Loring's position to take over next year. Staff appreciation is being moved by a week since we are going to Vancouver during the 'official' staff appreciation week. The dinner will be done similarly to the Thanksgiving feast, with families assigned to bring certain 'courses'.

**Garage Sale:** Coming in a few weeks April 28. Start thinking about what you can do for the sale, an email will be coming out soon looking for donations and volunteers.

**Old Business:** Lights already discussed.

**New Business:** There is a new water cooler in the office. The staff has discussed the idea of NAC providing a water cooler for the kids. The idea was to have a filter system for water with a hot water tap as well for the kids to make Ramen, etc. The cost would be about \$35/month, including initial installation. No cups, the kids would need to bring their own nalgene bottles from home.

Parent night out is no longer scheduled for March 17<sup>th</sup>. A new date has not been set.

The Mountains to Sound Greenway is currently signing kids up for camp.

**Emergency Preparedness:** Wendy has been going to district meetings to discuss emergency prep issues. The district has minimal EP supplies. They are operating on the assumption that most kids would go home in the event of an emergency. An inventory of N\* emergency supplies was taken. We have first aid kits in each classroom plus a small one in the EP supplies. There are a variety of supplies but not enough of most things for all kids, again an assumption that most will go home. Looking for volunteers to take on a short term job to form a committee to help coordinate the EP systems. We need to purchase some supplies, the water is about to expire and some more food bars may be needed. It was suggested that we coordinate with the high school in an effort to reduce duplication.

Given that we have had \$8000 in capital expenditures in both of the last two years, we are not anticipating the same next year so there should be some money available for some of these expenditures next year (water filtering system, emergency preparedness supplies.)

Wendy will report back next month on progress.

It was moved that we approve the water filtering system with the dispenser and hot water tap at \$35/month. It was approved.

**Next meeting April 10, 2007.**

Adjourned 8:07