

Patch Elementary School

SAC Minutes

November 3, 2011

Call to order: 15:06

Present for Meeting:

Dr. Robert Allen

Mr. Ron Lathrop

Joe Holder

Adrienne Smith, Teacher Representative

Jill Beckham, Teacher Representative

Melody Gershkoff, Teacher Representative

Libby Phillips, Parent Representative

Angel Jones, Parent Representative

Lori Smith

Barbara Anderson

I. October minutes corrected and approved.

II. Reports

School Principal

PES teacher, Amy Rush, recently submitted information for a Citizen article featuring recent school events. A two-page spread with pictures of PES students covered PTA events.

Facility concern: PES building is approximately 30 years old, and is undergoing significant heating maintenance. In the best scenario, the repair work will not affect the use of the forum. In the worst case, the forum may have to be dismantled for pipe replacement and as a result, lunchroom use will have to be relocated. Dr. Allen is awaiting word on the extensiveness of repairs.

In the School Leadership Team Meeting, concerns involving classroom interruptions on the PA system was expressed. Dr. Allen will look at what other schools do in this situation. Committee members stated that other local schools have "cut-off" times to deliver PA messages from parents to students. It was stated that another recourse could be to hand deliver messages at a specific time of day, perhaps 14:00.

### School Liaison Officer

The next IAC meeting will be held November 21 at 15:30, Patch Elementary School. Jill Beckham will attend this meeting. A light snack is to be provided by the hosting school.

Mark your calendars for "It's a Family Thanksgiving" by Debbie Fink, November 17 at 10:30 and 17:00, Patch Community Club. It is meant for all ages and is interactive with the audience. Free books are available for children and should come home with students from school. Advertised in the school newsletter and the Citizen.

### CSP Representative – no report

### III. Old Business – no report

### IV. New Business

1. Parent concern expressed about staggering the school release time further apart from the high school.

Currently, the high school students are released 10 minutes later than the elementary school. A later release time would present difficulty as some of the high school students ride the same buses as the younger kids. Elementary students board the bus first and await the high school students. Dr. Allen and a MP monitor the Kiss and Ride to note any safety concerns.

2. Teacher concern expressed regarding the school advertising policy for children focused events in the community that are not school related. Policy states that Garrison events can be advertised through leaflets or flyers if they are family focused and not for profit.

Meeting adjourned approximately 15:45.