

**Hawthorne Scholastic Academy**  
**Wednesday, April 7, 2010**  
**Local School Council Minutes**

Attendance: Anna Alvarado, Kathleen Andrade, Monica Ginsburg, Roger Wilen, Carlton Oquendo, Laura Durudogan, Steve Poma, Kris Fiacchino, Camille Unger, Linda Feaman, Amy Lenz, Tiffany Green, Christopher Lerch, Catherine Francis, Kelly Breiner, Donna Sagami, Meher Owens, Jodi Hoare, William Massey, Matt Beaudet, Noelle Fischer

Absent: Shelia Schultz

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The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairperson K. Andrade. Following the introduction of members and guests, K. Andrade called for a motion to approve the agenda and minutes. R. Wilen noted two discrepancies in the March minutes for dates for the upcoming LSC election schedule. C. Oquendo made the motion to approve the minutes with revised dates and the agenda; R. Wilen seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

**Chair's Report:** Roberts Rules of Order were reviewed.

**Principal's Report:**

- Heart to Heart Auction was a success. Principal Alvarado thanked the PTA, parents and school community for their dedication, generosity and hard work.
- 55% of Hawthorne students were admitted to selective enrollment high schools.
- Thank you to all who participated in SIPAAA Sunday.
- Corey H-LRE state audit continues on May 17. Marcy Weiner to lead the initiative.
- ASPIRE tam presentation on parent involvement will be held on May 25.
- Kindergarten, 1st and 7th grade showcases were an amazing experience for parents. Ms. Conway's group won the 8th grade poetry slam.
- Congratulations to Patrick Andrade and Eleanor Musick who advanced to the state science fair competition.
- 8th grade took their writing test. CPS promotion policy requires at least a C grade.
- Report card pick up and LSC elections will be held April 21.
- Kindergarten lottery has been completed with 32 students in each class. The school is receiving acceptance letters, which are due by April 16.
- The budget is not up yet.
- NJHS V-Show will be held on April 29 and April 30. Proceeds will benefit Haiti relief organizations.
- 8th grade Washington fundraiser will be held April 9 at Paddy O'Splaine from 6-9:00 p.m. \$10/person.
- Family portrait day will be rescheduled.
- SIPAAA approval pending upon arrival of budget.

**Public Comment:** Principal Alvarado addressed several questions regarding proposed budget cuts and said she will prioritize needs based on the availability of funds.

**PPLC:** Met twice to discuss union representation and budget concerns.

**School Improvement Plan:** Waiting for budget to approve plan.

**Budget:** \$5,893.42 left in SGSA account.

**Building and Safety:** No report.

**Curriculum:** No report.

**Community:** Cubs opening day is April 12.

**PTA:** Fundraising efforts at the spring auction will be earmarked for preserving current teachers and curriculum. The entire Hawthorne community is asked to participate in whatever way they can. Speaker Series will be held on April 17 from 1-4:00 p.m. with the theme "Creating a Caring School Community." No charge for attending. Next PTA meeting will be April 14 at 8:45 a.m.

**Old Business:** LSC community representative vacancy was discussed. Motion was made by K. Andrade to leave the position vacant. R. Wilen seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**New Business:** No new business.

**Public Comment:** No public comment

**Adjournment:** K. Andrade called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. L. Durudogan made the motion; C. Oquendo seconded the motion. The motion was approved and the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. The next meeting will be on May 5 at 7:00.

Respectfully submitted, *Monica Ginsburg, Secretary*