

**Hawthorne Scholastic Academy
Local School Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 5, 2008**

Attendance: Greg Basil, Monica Ginsburg, Michael Brogan, Camille Unger, Laura Durudogan, Roger Wilen, Carlton Oquendo, Linda Feaman, Shelia Schultz, Kris Fiacchino, Molly Calkias Thompson, Tom Moran, Mary Calkins, Molly Thompson, Julie Moran, Lisa Ratti Boyle, Clyde Ainley, William Massey, Kim Benson, Jenny Nygren, Virginia Falkner, Cathy DeMille, Evelyn Kun Fitzgerald, Karen Lewis, Chris Kaminski, Nancy Pender-Kaminski, Karen Pulver

Absent: Anna Alvarado, Kathleen Andrade

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Vice Chairman Greg Basil. Following the introduction of members and guests, Greg Basil called for a motion to approve the minutes of the September meeting. Carlton Oquendo made the motion; Roger Wilen seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

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

Principal's Report: Assistant Principal Linda Feaman reviewed the following:

- ❖ LRE audit ongoing this week. Results delivered on Friday.
- ❖ Four Principals for a Day participated on Oct. 30
- ❖ Kindergarten Open Houses began today.
- ❖ Student Council officers were elected as follows: Sophia Katsaggelos, president; Adam Durudogan, vice president; Patrick Andrade, treasurer; Alex Kritikos, secretary.
- ❖ After School Counts up and running. 260 students participating.
- ❖ PTA announced fundraiser theme – Hands in Harmony.
- ❖ Report card pick up will be held Nov. 14.
- ❖ Barack Obama handily won the Hawthorne mock election with 458 votes.
- ❖ Hawthorne was ranked the number four middle school in the state and grades 3-5 moved up to number 33 in the state.

Public Comment: No public comment.

PPLC: No report.

School Improvement Plan: Mid-year review to be scheduled.

Budget: No report.

Building and Safety: Chairs will follow up with Edgar to complete projects.

Curriculum: Teachers implemented a new, streamlined system for lesson planning. New system provides a unified way to plan what students will be learning.

Community: Alderman Tunney is hosting two property tax relief seminars.

PTA: Wrapping paper and Affy Tapple fundraisers are completed. No total yet on money raised. Fall Party on Oct. 24 raised \$2,000. New sock and mitten drive underway. Collection ends on report card pick up day. Karen Pulver and Debbi Springer are co-chairing the spring fundraiser to be held on March 20 at Architectural Artifacts. Jewel Shop Days run Nov. 17-19. Barnes and Noble Shop Day on Dec. 2. \$5 “spirit sales” at report card pick up.

By-laws: No report.

Old Business: No old business.

New Business: No new business.

Public Comment: No public comment.

Adjournment: Greg Basil called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kris Fiacchino made the motion; Carlton Oquendo seconded the motion. The motion was approved and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. The next meeting will be on Dec. 3 at 7:00 in the auditorium.

Respectfully submitted, *Monica Ginsburg, Secretary*