

Golden Empire
ELAC Meeting
20 May 2013

This meeting was called to order at 2:32 PM by Irene Eister.

In attendance: Irene Eister, principal; Maria Salinas, Fernanda Lucio, parents; Janine Johnson, Staff representative.

The **Agenda** was reviewed; no changes or additions were made.

Minutes from the April meeting were reviewed. Maria Salinas made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Janine Johnson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

New Business: Dr. Eister presented a review of the Annual School Survey. A discussion was held on when would be the optimum time to hand them out and get the most returned. It was decided that they would be handed out at Open House and one would be sent home to those parents not attending Open House. A point was brought up that many parents are not accessing the Newsletter online. Should we go back to a hard copy? Perhaps just the news, dates and calendar would be good and the Student of the Week could be online. If we could keep the Newsletter to one page, it is possible. It was decided that one more block be added to the Annual Survey. This block will ask if a hard copy of the Newsletter is needed. Open House will be 29 May, 2013, 5:00 PM.

Staffing Update: We have no Certificated Staff lay-offs this year. Unfortunately we do have one lay-off in Classified. Ron has received a pink-slip which we hope will be rescinded soon. We will keep up on this. Word from the top is that there will be no changes in class sizes. They will remain; 32 in Kindergarten, 29 in 1st through 3rd, 33 in 4th through 6th.

GATE update: Dr. Eister announced that we will have two more GATE cluster classes next year. Mrs. Omand will be teaching the 2nd grade cluster and Ms. Conway will be teaching the 3rd grade cluster. That will complete the clusters with Mr. Snider teaching the 4th, Ms. Sunahara the 5th and Ms. Engstrom teaching the 6th grade clusters.

Summer Quest Program: Mr. Chou gave us an update on the SQP that will be at Golden Empire for the summer. There will be 200 students focusing on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math (STEAM). They will meet Monday through Thursday from 8 until 2. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. They hope to reach a goal of reading 300,000+ pages this year during their mandatory 20 minute reading time.

2013-2014 elections are coming up. Many of our members will be back for the 2nd year of their term. But we will be seeing some new faces.

No Citation BBQ: Monday, June 10, 10:30-12:30. We sponsor this BBQ to reward the students who have been good all year. Hot dogs and buns are being donated. Condiments and drinks will be donated by parents. The school will donate the cookies. Assignments: Ice Chests: Perry, Barlow (softball snack bar?)

Ice: Softball snack bar/Green Acres

BBQ: Perry (Roger & Ryan), Barlow

Set Up: Fernanda & Dee

Clean Up: Everyone 😊

STAR test Update – Marilyn Perry reported that the tests were boxed up and ready to be picked up on Wednesday, 22 May. Testing went well with 419 students being tested. The teachers prepared their classes well.

The **DELAC** report was not available.

PTO – Marilyn Perry reported that the PTO would be having elections on the 29th, at Open House. The PTO is considering having the Carnival in the Fall for the 2013-2014 school year. Next PTO meeting is 3 June.

No Public Comment

No Announcements

This meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.

Marilyn S. Perry

Minutes submitted by Marilyn Perry
Golden Empire SSC Secretary