

The Western School Council met in regular session on Tuesday October 13, 2009 in the school media center at 4:00 p.m.

School Council members present were Denise Pigatt, Mary Ann Bell, Jennifer Hanson, Kate Davis, John Kheen, Jessica Guarnera, and Chip Daniel. Members absent were Jackie Parker and James Storey. Assistant Principal Stan McMichael was also in attendance.

Denise Pigatt called the meeting to order at 4:05 and welcomed our new members: Kate Davis, John Kheen, and Jessica Guarnera. The agenda was distributed and posted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act. The agenda was approved. The minutes from the April 2009 meeting were also approved.

Mr. McMichael presented our student progress data methods: Accelerated Reader, Accelerated Math, GRASP, MAZE, CRCT, ITBS. Mrs. Pigatt noted that not only are we keeping data on the students but also on ourselves so that we can improve instruction.

Mrs. Hanson gave an overview of the Bullying Prevention Plan that she and Mrs. Nix have been working on. The plan needs to go before the school's SBLT for discussion and approval. Questions were raised about cyber-bullying.

Mrs. Pigatt gave an enrollment update (440 students) with Pre-K at 20, Kindergarten at 69, 1<sup>st</sup> grade at 69, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade at 57, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade at 63, 4<sup>th</sup> grade at 82, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade at 81 students. Also, Mrs. Pigatt, Mrs. Davis, and Mrs. Hanson briefed the council about the Review Days on the last Friday of each month and discussed how each grade has a partner grade.

No old business needed to be discussed.

Under new business the council nominated Mrs. Guarnera to be our new chairperson and she accepted. The council also discussed if a new project wanted to be taken on for this year. The council decided that the school needs a volunteer training session to aid the teachers and parents in using parent volunteers in the classrooms without breaching confidentiality and to make the parent volunteers aware of the confidentiality concerns. It was decided that another meeting would be scheduled on November 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm to decide "What we want in a volunteer training session?" We will work with Crysti Nix, the school counselor, in planning this training.

With no further business to come before the school council, the meeting was adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Hanson