

SSC Meeting
November 5, 2009

Mrs. Melvin called the SSC meeting to order at 2:10 PM on November 5, 2009.

This meeting was moved to the Parent Center because the 5th grade elective was using the library.

"TLC" - Team Lanai Cares: Lori Covell

- Currently, TLC is involved with many charities. So they are going to instead focus on a few chosen charities.
- TLC will make itself more student led. The Student Council will get involved.
- 4 Donations drives will happen per year.
 - Next drive is November 16 - December 4. It will be a collection for SOVA, a food pantry, which feeds over 1000 families per month.
 - NO clothing or toys are needed.
 - Diapers, pull-ups and toiletries ARE needed.
 - Each class and other groups (girls scouts, etc) will receive a designated item to collect.

Student Council Vice President Liadan Solomon came into speak to the SSC board.

- Sprit Day is changed to Wednesdays going forward. Friday will remain free dress days.
- Denim has been added to the list of acceptable clothing because it is ubiquitous and warm.
- All plain tops are allowed, no matter the color.
- These changes have made compliance much more effective.
- LAUSD has been trying to enforce a dress code so we are waiting for their ruling to officially change the policy.

Thanksgiving Grams

Thanksgiving Grams will be sent home so that parents have the opportunity to buy one. Money raised will go towards helping 5th graders who cannot afford the Astro Camp trip.

Absentee Rates

- The school is experiencing high absence rates right now compared to last year. It is not yet clear

whether this is a trend that will continue or if sickness is just hitting earlier this year.

- o All drinking fountains have been sanitized and so have all common areas.
- o No sprays of any kind may be used in classrooms because of allergies.
- o Bleach wipes have used to wipe down desks at the end of the day. Teachers have been given permission to continue this as long as it is after school and kids can't get to them.
- o After the last round of budget cuts by the district, we lost our nighttime janitor. Therefore, Elliot only has 4 minutes per classroom to clean so sometimes parental help is needed.
- o Parents may send wet wipes or hand sanitizer to school as long as there is NO alcohol.

Handicap Spaces

Have been closed due to construction. If we can properly fence that area, we can enlarge the Kinder yard.

Drama

- No drama program this year because Mrs. Melvin needed to find the appropriate program. Debbie Cannold found a program called Picadilly.
- Rehearsals will be at Lanai and the performance will take place at CSUN.
- Does the SSC feel performing arts are important? More information will be gathered for the next meeting for discussion.

ELAC

ELAC has first official meeting and is busy planning the next cultural event.

Elections

Chairperson: Jennifer Goosenberg was unanimously elected.

Vice Chairperson: Amy Winston

Secretary: Gayle Spindler

Parliamentarian: Ellen Kent (Amy Zacky fill in)

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.