

Lanai Road School Site Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 13, 2010

Meeting called to order 2:10pm

1. Working Parent Email List: Jennifer Goosenberg reported that Erin Gehan will take over the Working Parent email list. She will send out emails to the parents on the list when volunteer opportunities are available to working parents.
2. Transitional Kindergarten: Farnaz Simantob reported that LAUSD put out an official news release this week announcing the TK pilot program. Each district within LAUSD will get at least 1 pilot site. For our district it is up to Jean Brown to decide. We have 3 factors in favor of it being at Lanai. We have 22 families that have expressed interest in having their student in TK, we have the space for a class, and we have a teacher who is interested in teaching it.
3. "How Full is Your Bucket?": Mrs. Alterman shared the idea behind this book written by Tom Rath and Donald Clifton. People are buckets that we want to fill with positive attitudes rather than negative. She passes out "drops" to fill her students buckets. The drops positively reinforce appropriate actions and behavior. Money had been set aside by FOLB for Positive Discipline, but was not used because the price had doubled. It was suggested that maybe we can re-allocate some of that money to purchase copies of the book for teachers to read, possibly kept in the library for check-out. Mrs. Alterman has already shared her ideas with Mrs. Melvin and the teachers. There is also a kid's edition of the book that we can look into.
4. Science Docents: Susan Bernardo heads this program. Jennifer Terbush is coordinating the effort to get first grade parents for science docents on Thursdays.
5. Outfit Policy: There is an outfit policy at Lanai, but it cannot be enforced because it is not mandated by the district.

Meeting adjourned 2:40pm.
Minutes submitted by Gayle Spindler