

Meeting called to order at approximately 2:45.

In attendance: Janine Magidman, Kristi Barnes, Carolyn Kenney Hall, Erika Ahlstrom, Diana Van Aelstyn, Mike Kelly, Renée Notkin, Taeko Tashibu, Lauren Kastanas

Kudos:

PSAT went smoothly, praise to teachers and students who took it.

Ms. Pewitt planned a finely choreographed *Heroes Journey* with her 9th graders.

Olivia Baesner (freshman) coordinated an amazing presentation: *Invisible Children* about the child soldiers in Sudan.

Football team won the game against Ballard with Nick Drummond making the magnificent last touchdown.

Cross-country did well.

Hands-on-Bridge dance-athon.

Report from Janine Magidman (on behalf of Brian Vance)

--The concern about the cheerleaders has been directed to Melissa Boswell.

--Brian is dealing with the custodial issues through the correct channels.

Professional Development Day: How did it go?

Feedback: Science staff strongly engaged; morning was stronger than afternoon which has sparse attendance. *Were there too many offerings?* Preferred not having a potluck.

Positive – a high percentage participated in something and there was supportive presence of administration.

Copy Paper: Our budget for paper and copying has doubled over the past few years from \$15,000 to \$30,000. This year we are already projected to go over the amount and spend closer to \$40,000.

--Mike and Holly are working together on the issues around high usage and how to encourage conservation. This is the most costly item in supply budget.

We talked as a group about possible solutions: 1) Put worksheets online and provide hard copies to only students who do not have easy computer access; 2) Make recommendations to all of staff on methods of conservation; **3) Lead a brainstorming session at November staff meeting** to hear ideas and together create a tip sheet (to be facilitated by Janine Magidman).

C-SIP: Now is the time for revision. We have to present to district in November. Because of continued need for tailoring C-SIP to be in alignment with RHS's unique needs and district's strategy, we will discuss at our next BLT meeting.

On October 26th we will focus on: 1) Freshmen – Ready for high school goals; 2) Sophomores – Ready to pass HSPE (High School Performance Exam) goals.

Questions: How do these programs fit into the goals: Blocks, Writers' Crew, CFG (Critical Friends Group), MAP testing?

ASR Report

--Diversity week will be November 16-20. Assembly on Friday, November 20 – Personal Heritage Day. Each day in the week will be a designated continent with hall decorations and activities connected to cultures on each continent. They are working to have this week be more educational and not just about the food.

--Veterans' Day: There will be a video to be played on screens during second period. No assembly.

--NASC (National Association of Student Council): ASR leaders are currently putting a lot of their time into learning together what it means to be a leader.

--Halloween: They are currently finding out which teachers are open to trick-or-treating on Friday.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Renée Notkin, parent volunteer notetaker

