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**Roosevelt High School
Site Council Meeting Minutes**

January 9, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: at 5:33 PM by Jeffrey Grose

APPROVAL of MINUTES: Site Council approved minutes of the 12/12/2007 meeting as amended.

ACTION ITEMS:

B. Vance: Ask staff for feedback re adding on-site training sessions for the Source. Will contact tech resource group at The Source to schedule the training if needed.

B. Vance: Further refine the best practices recommendations for RHS for all users of the Source

C. Kenney Hall: Develop template for teachers to register their Source practices and frequency of updating for distribution to students and parents.

C. McConnell: Contact tech group at Source re potential for teacher remote access to EasyGrade Pro

Mr. Vance: Will put notice in Rider Record asking people not to drop off students in the parking lot in the mornings as this creates traffic congestion in the lot.

REPORTS:

ASR: Tom Pepe reported that ASR wants to create more opportunities for the school community to express itself around key issues fostered by MLK Day. Their focus is to create a whole week of activities and not just focus on the MLK Assembly. On another note, Carnival is scheduled for February 9.

Senior Class: Merritt Peterson reported that they are working on the MLK assembly.

Principal: Mr. Vance reported on several RHS items.

- The two period block proposal was not approved by staff. New proposal being considered.
- Looking at some potential social studies curriculum changes at 10th grade level.
- New budget process and numbers being distributed by District soon. RHS looking for enrollment in mid 1600s, which is fewer than the current approx. 1720, and would reduce strain on building/teachers. Principal gives recommendation, District decides.
- Four teachers from S. Africa visiting.
- Students trips to Belize, S. Africa, Northern Ireland coming up
- Curtis prints of Teddy Roosevelt now on display in corridor by library.

PTSA: Still working with ASR to set up beautification plan for grounds. Mr. Vance added that the new District HS Director has a keen interest in facility and grounds maintenance issues.

Roosevelt Neighborhood Association (RNA): Tad Bigelow reported that the Bull Moose Festival is July 21, 2008. They are considering a band play-off and want to know if Roosevelt Jazz Band would be interested in participating. They would like to include the school in the

festivities where possible. An interdepartmental team of the City of Seattle administration is being formed regarding the implementation of the Roosevelt Neighborhood Plan. Key elements that would be of interest to RHS: parking, metro, pedestrian safety, bicycle racks. Tad discussed an issue of interest to RHS: A new Proposition 1 is possible. If a light rail station is included in a transportation plan "lite," it is possible that no parking would be provided with the rail station. This could cause greater parking issues at RHS, due to "ride and hide," in which light rail riders park early in the morning in the street parking around RHS, leaving no street parking for RHS. Tad recommends to RHS to ask the city to create an "institutional parking" zone, along the lines of residential parking zones to protect this needed RHS parking. A further discussion about parking availability at RHS ensued. Mr. Vance reported on plans to paint stall #s. There seems to be adequate parking. One issue is that students continue to get dropped off within the parking lot and this creates blocked traffic.

Golden Grads: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Use of the Source: Ms. Kenny Hall collated the data collected and presented a draft memo of key issues and recommendations. Discussion resulted in some action items for next steps.

Building Cooling and Heating Problems: No Update

NEW BUSINESS:

Great White Fleet: There will be a presentation this spring surrounding the 100 year anniversary of the Great White Fleet's voyages between 1907-1909. (from Naval Historical Center website: *The "Great White Fleet" sent around the world by President Theodore Roosevelt from 16 December 1907 to 22 February 1909 consisted of sixteen new battleships of the Atlantic Fleet. The battleships were painted white except for gilded scrollwork on their bows. The Atlantic Fleet battleships only later came to be known as the "Great White Fleet." The fourteen-month long voyage was a grand pageant of American sea power. The squadrons were manned by 14,000 sailors. They covered some 43,000 miles and made twenty port calls on six continents.*) Though these ships did not visit Seattle it seems, the organizing committee for this regional centennial event visited RHS and was excited about the Teddy Roosevelt artifacts in the school's possession.

ADJOURNMENT: at 6:30 PM

ATTENDANCE: Jeffrey Grose, Debra Godfrey, Catherine McConnell, Maureen Dahlstrom, Nola Sterling, Tad Bigelow, Brian Vance, Carolyn Kenny Hall, Meritt Peterson, Tom Pepe

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, February 13 at 5:30 PM in Room 242.

Minutes prepared by Catherine McConnell, Secretary.