

**Chico Christian School**  
**School Site Council Meeting Minutes**  
**April 8th, 2010**

**Present:** Bev Landers, Amber Hollinsworth, Ann Neumann, Marcia Dean, Geneva Wrobel, Bob Maness, Todd LaPant, Laurie LaPant, Bonnie Worthington, Paula Dodds, Dorian Dodds, Michelle Walker, Shannon Secrist, and Kevin Secrist.

**Absent:** Bodie Shepherd, Michael Singleton, and Nancy Depa

The Meeting was opened in prayer by Kevin Secrist at 6:03 PM

**Student Council:** Josh Maness, Student Body President provided an update on Student Council Activities. The dance was a big success and attended by almost all of the middle school students. Officer Elections for next year will take place on April 23<sup>rd</sup>; representatives will still be elected in the fall. There will be an all-school clean day on April 27<sup>th</sup>. It was suggested that future all school clean days occur prior to events, such as Grandparent's Day. Mr. Palmer is organizing a Barn Dance for the middle school. Part of the end of the year gift from the middle school students will be matching polo shirts for staff and teachers that have the new CCS logo. These shirts will be worn on Grandparent's Day. The student's will also be stocking the student store for next year with funds they have raised this year.

**Budget Report and Requests for Funding:** A budget report wasn't available and we have spent available funds for this year. Shannon motioned to continue the Event Coordinator position at its current reimbursement for next year and to decrease the Assistant Event Coordinator's position by 50 percent, Ann seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

**Marketing Team Update:** The marketing team will be meeting tomorrow. They will be giving away a basket valued at approximately \$300 at Grandparent's Day. The basket has been donated by a CCS parent. Grandparents who provide their name and address will be given a raffle ticket. The list of names and addresses will be used for future marketing purposes.

**Principal's Report:** Bev reported that the Boy Scouts will have 25 children and 25 adults removing rocks from our field as a thank you for utilizing our facilities and Pinewood Derby Track. They will put in 8 hours of work on the field.

Jan Reale and Pam Wear (grandmothers of CCS students) have offered to coordinate a Holistic Playground Project at CCS. We will need 100 volunteers on May 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> to complete this project. Additionally, there is a need for \$1,600 to cover the costs of materials. The original plan was to ask for donations at Grandparent's Day, however, after discussing this SSC members felt this request from grandparent's would be in

conflict with our fundraising policy. It was suggested that the project be communicated to grandparents and that a request for volunteers be sought. Assisting with the completion of the Holistic Playground is a unique way for grandparents to participate directly in their grandchild/rens education. A new flyer will be drawn up without the request for financial donations as several SSC members offered to assist in funding the project. \*

The theme for Grandparent's Day will be focused on books, and Mr. Maness will host as a librarian. The book faire will take place Monday through Friday next week. It was suggested that students pick out books based on a summer reading list, rather than a wish list.

Enrollment is currently at 348, a school record. Kindergarten has a waiting list of 20, we currently have two almost full 6<sup>th</sup> grades and we have 26 students in both the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. A suggestion was made to sponsor a hole at the Good Guys Golf Tournament to bring attention to the school and the almost full enrollment.

The renovation budget for the old pre-school and Kindergarten rooms has been raised to \$65,000 and now includes updates for the treat-meal room and other areas of the buildings. The discussion about the scholarship and SSC acting as a uniform committee were tabled until our next meeting.

**Fundraising:** Due to confusion about fundraisers, advertising, etc., Ann drafted a proposed language/policy change in the school handbook. SSC members went line by line to agree on language/policy changes and the updated policy will be included in the school handbook. Shannon motioned to approve the new policy/language changes, Bob seconded the motion and the motion passed with unanimous approval. Here is the language that will be included in the school handbook:

### ***School Site Council Fee***

*The School Site Council firmly believes that students, staff and families benefit from focusing on academics and education, rather than fundraisers. The School Site Council has therefore implemented an annual School Site Council fee. The School Site Council fee raises funds to supplement the academic and educational environment at the school. In the past, the fee has been used to update the technology lab, support the Meet the Masters and Messy Art programs, sponsor music, math and other assemblies, and supplement the school's budget for facilities. Because families pay a School Site Council fee, the School Site Council will not sponsor, support or otherwise authorize any fundraisers.*

### ***Fundraisers***

*Fundraisers are identified as any form of direct sales of a product or service to the student body or its families for the purpose of raising funds to support classroom activities, facilities, education or other needs of the school which are not otherwise provided for by the registration or tuition charged by the school. Individual students and families may not sell food or other items to fellow students before, during or after school hours. Families may not use the school contact list to market business ideas, send out*

*direct sale opportunities, or otherwise advertise or sell products or services to the school community or an individual classroom. The only exception to this rule is the Student Council, which is allowed to engage in limited sales directly organized by the student body, directly to the student body, for the sole purpose of raising funds for the end of year class gift. Any fundraisers by the Student Council must fit within specific guidelines and be approved by the school administration in advance of any activity. Book Faires and voluntary donations are not fundraisers and are entirely optional.*

***Mission Projects***

*Mission projects are not fundraisers. If an individual classroom or group of classrooms would like to engage in a mission project which requires the raising of funds, clothing or other materials, the group must prepare a written request and submit it to the school administration which identifies: (a) the mission which will benefit from the class efforts; (b) the way in which the class or group seeks to support the mission (e.g., raise money through sales, seek donation of coats or socks, perform community service, etc.); (c) the duration of the proposed sales or other activity; and (d) what the class hopes to accomplish through its efforts. The school administration, and not the School Site Council, will be responsible for determining whether the proposed mission project will be permitted. If approved, any written materials about the mission project must clearly identify it as a "Mission Project," state the name of the mission to benefit, and that participation is optional.*

**Event Coordinator Report:** Michelle is coordinating refreshments for Grandparent's Day. The Father/Daughter dance will occur on May 1<sup>st</sup>. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls voted on a Black and White formal theme this year and Mrs. Wright's son will be the DJ. The Mother/Son event will occur on May 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Hooker Oak Sherwood Disc Golf Course. Moms and sons will have the opportunity to "tie-dye" t-shirts and play disc golf. The end of the year party is also being worked on.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:59 PM.

Our next meeting will occur May 4th, 2010 at 6:00 PM in the CEC Library. In addition to our regular agenda items it has been requested that we discuss a track around the field and removable speed bumps for the school parking lot.

Respectfully submitted by Shannon Secrist (04/12/2010)

\*On 4/12/2010 SSC Members were notified that a private donor has donated \$1,000 towards the supply cost for the Holistic Playground.