

Arcadia High School
School Site Leadership Team
Wednesday, October 13, 2010
3:00-4:00pm in room C1

Present Members: Brian Zurla, Ray Mynster, Brent Reiske, Julie Curry, Catherine Merel, Michelle Kim, David Liu, Shannon Hsu, David Vannasdal, Winnie Chin, John Tung, Kathy Yamane, Heather Moore, Jeannie Ackerman, Jennifer Oku, Linda Mackessey, Patrick Tierney, John Tung

Info/Discussion: Diversity Week Assembly: Diversity week. Background: Assembly was optional. In previous 2 years some kids didn't go to assembly while others went 2 or 3 times. This year Diversity Week will be Dec 6 to 10, 2010. Moved up from May date when there were CSTs/and AP tests. Students less likely to attend assemblies and programs. AHS only had around 1500 attend the assemblies, and these students may have been double counted. This year, in order to encourage our students to be more "world citizens", committee would like to highly encourage attendance at the assemblies.

Mr. Jean Robert Cadet will be speaking. Mr. Cadet is from Haiti. Will be speaking about then struggles of the children who are abused and sometimes put into slavery, being in horrible conditions. He is trying to bring light of this to the UN and other groups to bring global action to get rid of this.

Problem #1: How to expose the most amount of students to this "world problem" and our speaker. Not implying to change bell schedule, but to determine which teachers/group of students will attend at which periods to get maximum student exposure. The idea is to break it into 4 different assemblies to make it as intimate as possible. PE concerned due to it affects 1/3 of students where they do PE during the day. World Language and SpecEd also concerned as they have mixed grade level students. Which assembly would they attend?

SSLT Tossing around a few ideas on bell schedule or not changing schedule and going by grade level or hall location. SSLT seems to be leaning toward grade level.

Consensus reached that a grade level assembly is the best option. Brian will work with administration and the diversity committee on the specifics of how to present/announce the assembly to the staff.

Problem #2: How to get students pre-exposure to speaker and why it is important to our students? APN will do a story the week before. Also have material for discussion before and after for teachers.

Info: Forming of a Stipend Committee: Stipends are mentioned again from what Dr. Shawn said last year. Dr. Shawn will be looking into the issue of stipends at all sites this year.

This applies to non coaching positions (not athletics) band, academic teams, etc. The stipends have remained unchanged for past 10 years. SSLT needs to form a neutral committee for this. This will be moved forward to a discussion item for next month. Mr. Patrick Tierney came and spoke from view of ATA. Problem is that some

teachers will win and some will lose. One cannot get a stipend without one being taken away. There is a set amount of monies that doesn't fluctuate. Currently no one knows why certain positions get a stipend and others do not. ATA will form a committee and collect facts by next month. ATA has an interest in this and hopes a group will be formed to find out facts about current stipends. Steven Volpe has volunteered to help and chair this. Brian Zurla will continue to talk to ATA to work on getting this together by next meeting.

- Members of the fact finding committee could come from ATA, but will be a joint effort of SSLT and ATA.

Info/Discussion: Buyback Monday, January 31, 201: Buyback for Monday January 31 has not been set yet and falls to SSLT.

- Teachers could lead workshops. Could be PowerTeacher, fusion pages, best practices similar to the senior options during CST testing.
- Could do meeting in MB2, 2 90 min, lunch, 2 more 90 min, then general meeting to sign golden rods

Info: SSLT Agenda building timeline: SSLT agenda. Some complaints have been sent to the chair about it only being posted 48 hours in advance. Bylaws state that it should be posted 48 hours in advance and Brian waits until this time just in case something should come up, so that it will be addressed on the agenda and the meeting. There being no further objections from the floor, this will continue to be unchanged.

Adjournment:

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 17th, 3-4pm room C1
Meeting Wed Nov 17 to avoid a holiday conflict.