

**South View Middle School
Site Council Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2009
3:30-4:25**

- Members Present (indicated with X):

	Staff [Term year of two]		Student		Community
X	Beth Russell Principal	X	Bettenga, Grace 7 th Grade		Melin, Kim Parent Council
X	Duffy, Patrick A Assistant Principal	X	Fogelson, Kelly	X	Knoll, Andrea [1], Scty Parent 6 th Grade
X	Freese, Steven [2] 6th Grade	X	Thomson, Eliza 9 th Grade	X	Mironer, Mark [2], Chair Parent 7th Grade
X	Chris Peterson [1] 7th Grade	X	Johnson, Luke 9 th Grade	X	Moe, Christine [1] Parent 8 th Grade
X	Melissa Kalinowski [1] 8th Grade	X	Luterbach, Graham 9 th Grade	X	Halling, Kari [2] Parent 9th Grade
	Sigmund, Claude [2] 9th Grade	X	Dow, Clara		Maetzold, Dennis[2], VChair Member At Large
	TBD Staff [1]		TBD –Student from Clean and Green		

- Called to order at 3:30 with Site Council Member Introductions: M. Mironer
- New Site Council Student Representatives and Structure: P. Duffy and B. Russell

The goal of the new Student Leadership model at SVMS and Site Council structure is to give students more of a voice in the life of the school and to develop broader student leadership skills. Student Leaders are on one of five teams. They received training during summer and will again in fall and spring on leadership development, group dynamics, communication and facilitation. Student Leadership is determined by application process, not elections. Students agreed that the new structure was more substantive and productive

Each student representative on Site Council is a representing a team. There will no longer be grade representatives on Site Council.

Parent and staff representatives on Site Council will meet with teams for guidance and communication, not as team advisors, for the first 15 minutes of meeting; then students may leave for extra curricular activities.

Student teams will meet with advisors during Connect time, but Site Council Reps do not need to attend. When needed, items requiring policy action from Site Council will be brought forward for discussion.

Team assignments are as follows:

 - Community Outreach/Ambassadors- Staff TBD, Denny Maetzold
 - Wellness and Environment/Clean and Green- Mark Mironer, Steve Freese
 - Equity and Inclusion/ D2BR- Andrea Knoll, Melissa Kalinowski

- Events and Assemblies/Spirit Team- Christine Moe, Chris Peterson
- Student Achievement/P.A.C.T.- Kari Halling, Claude Sigmund

Council discussed ways that 6th graders could have a voice, suggesting mid-year applications to participate, 6th Grade leadership training, or committees meeting with 6th grade teams

- Site Council Mission and possible topics for future discussions- B. Russell
Site Councils are policy-making committees, designed to support the mission of the school that all students are learning. Possible future discussion topics:
 - Edina Middle School Study- slated for this fall, to review structures and time (Connect Time, Team prep time
 - Budget and Staffing- Spring
 - Facility Study and district discussions on building capacity- Dr. Russell reported that 21 teachers do not have use of their classrooms during prep time and 5 teachers have no room assigned. Role of Site Council to discuss how we allocate space equitably and in alignment with learning goals.
- Parent Communication- Dr. Russell discussed the new Parent Council newsletter to improve weekly communication via Ed Line. Council discussed the use of Ed Line and Moodle, with goal of consistency when possible.
- The next Site Council Meeting will be October 12, 3:00-4:30, Media Center
- Meeting adjourned 4:50.

Site Council Meeting and Treat Schedule for 2009-2010

September 14	Mark M
October 12	Kari Halling
November 9	Chris Peterson
December 14	Andrea Knoll
January 11	Beth Russell
February 8	
March 8	Melissa Kalinowski
April 12	Christine Moe
May 10	Steve Freese and Patrick Duffy