



# Redwood Site Council

9/26/07  
3:30 PM  
Room 120

*Meeting called to order at 3:33 pm*

Members Present: Louise Aliano, Chris Gilmore, Sue Pearlstein, Bill Sibberns, Pat Ravasio, Brian Durwood, Kristina Brown, Dave Nash, Tom Sivertsen, Karen Murk, Sally Robert, Spencer Shubert, Susanna Nordrum, Azita Sayadi and Ashley Brady. Minutes taken by Desiree Weiss.

Members Absent: Nancy Neu

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## ***Agenda Item – Introductions***

- Members introduced themselves

Louise explained the mission and goals of the Redwood Site Council and what they might want to look at for the upcoming year. Last year a lot of focus was put on the WASC process and this year more focus should be put else where. Members were asked to look at the WASC action plan and give feed back at the next meeting, as to what areas they may be interested in talking about or even perusing.

## ***Agenda Item –Review Draft of Safety Plan***

Members were asked to skim the draft of the Safety plan; every member was assigned two pages of the Safety Plan to review. Elements of the Safety Plan could provide direction for the Site Council.

## ***Agenda Item-Approve Budget for Safety Plan***

- Each item was discussed and key points were made. Spencer explained Peer Resource and that one of its main function is to support anyone who feels excluded or might have a “social issue” and who doesn’t feel comfortable going to an adult.
- Kristina asked if there were data, numbers, available as to how many students actually used Peer Resources services. Louise will look into it and try to find data.
- Louise explained that Peer Resource covers peer pressure, home issues, role models, Red Ribbon Week, Every 15 Minutes. She then explained that Link Crew is meant to be a

- bridge between jr. high and high school. Students and faculty are trained to help incoming students have a sense of community. Every 15 Minutes was explained.
- Sue thought that maybe the issue of parents supplying alcohol to minors could be tied into this year's program.
  - Kristina explained BACR and its purpose/function here at Redwood.
  - Sue asked how to address the issues around the "haves" vs. the "have nots."
  - Kristina noted that there are more low income students coming into RHS each year.
  - Louise explained the idea of the Safety Squad and its focus would be for faculty to "hang out and be seen" and to be available for students to talk to if needed.
  - Challenge Day helps break down prejudices and how students look at each other. One of its goals is to change preconceived ideas about people.
  - Sue motioned that the budget be approved and it was seconded. Budget was approved.

***Agenda Item-Review Action Plan for the Year***

- Went over STAR English Language data and it was noted that there is an increasing number of students that are not reading at grade level.
- Louise brought copies of "Reading Today" and asked anyone who was interested to read it as it listed current innovations on understanding adolescent reading. Louise asked that by the next meeting members look over special aspects of school and email her any ideas.
- Chris stated that any "help" needs to be an ongoing as once a year won't cut it.

***4:30 p.m. meeting adjourned***