



# Redwood Site Council

10/24/07  
3:30 PM  
Room 120

*Meeting called to order at 3:32 pm*

Members Present: Nancy Neu, Louise Aliano, Chris Gilmore, Sue Pearlstein, 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: Bill Sibbern

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Minutes from 9/26/07 were approved.

***Agenda Item – Review Safety Plan and assigned pages***

Are there topics in the Safety plan that the Council would like to follow-up on?

- At the last meeting everyone was asked to read selected pages of the Safety Plan and report back any suggestion, changes or ask questions regarding the plan.
- Suggestions were made as to what might be added or changed.
- Clarification was made on certain items.
- Because of legal language, wording and punctuation changes on certain items may not be made.

***Agenda Item – Transition for Juniors***

- Several high schools through out the Bay Area were contacted by the student members to ask questions regarding transition programs for transfer students.
- Ideas and thoughts were shared on how RHS could use them to better our efforts to help transition students.
- It was determined that the junior year is this hardest year for transfer students .
- Expansion of Safe School Ambassadors was discussed and how RHS might have these students help transition students.
- ELD students have their own set of issues to deal with. They want to be more integrated into the everyday scene at RHS, but tend to stick together and not branch out due to language barriers.
- How can RHS help these students get more involved and better advised on the goings on at RHS, such as clubs.
- A “buddy system” was talked about. Maybe a mixer to meet a buddy?
- Safe School Ambassadors has scheduled a school mixer for transfer students in November.

***Agenda Item-Whole school reading ideas***

- Critical reading plan is part of Action Plan.

- How do we put a positive spin on reading?
- Next time come back with ideas on how to foster ideas on how to get students to read more.
- Get a variety of students to list books they like or would recommend to fellow students.
- Maybe put the list in the BARK?
- RHS Book Club was another suggestion. Would this get students together and get them more interested in reading?

***Agenda Item-International Baccalaureate Programme***

- Will discuss at next meeting

***Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.***