

Voznesenka/Kachemak Selo School

Site Council Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2019

- ❖ **Community and Staff Present-** Frosia Polushkin, Katherine Serge Hoeschen, Anastasia Samoilov, Terri Mach, Fenya Reutov, Irina Kalugin, Maria Kalugin, Anisia Polushkin, Ksenia Kuzmin, Michelle Thornton, and Michael Wojciak
- ❖ **Welcome- sign-in**
- ❖ **Title/Migrant-** Terri Mach explained what the Title and Migrant programs have to offer and the students that benefit from their support. She also mentioned a family night that was being planned for December 17th at Voznesenka School. Additionally, she addressed parents about volunteering in the preschool classroom and was able to secure a parent as a guest reader.
- ❖ **Emergency Guidelines and School Closure-** Expectations for what happens during a school emergency was discussed. How parents would receive information about an emergency and refraining from calling the school in an effort to keep lines open was included in the conversation. We talked about the ALICE protocol, especially how this shift differs from past guidelines. Parents were reassured that student safety was our most important responsibility in any emergency.
- ❖ **McKinney-Vento Video** – This video was about available supports in place for homeless students through KPBSD. Outlined were the various scenarios that could designate a student as homeless as well as needed contact information if there are concerns that a student might be in a homeless situation.
- ❖ **PEAKS Data-** Summary data for the PEAKS assessment was covered for Voznesenka School. We looked at how our school compared to both the district and the state. It was evident that our results for our elementary students lagged behind district and state results, as did secondary mathematics. However, our secondary language arts results exceeded both those in the district and the state.
- ❖ **School Development Plan-** A brief explanation of the School Development Plan was given for Voznesenka and Kachemak Selo schools. One goal was related to the use of Write Tools and the other included a plan to connect staff in Selo and Voz via Skype in an effort to increase collaboration between the two schools.
- ❖ **New Hire** – Voznesenka School received approval to hire a full-time elementary teacher. We have had an unfilled .5 secondary position posted since the end of last school year with no qualified applicants for the position. With an influx of younger students coming into our school, the need for an additional staff is more prevalent in the elementary. We are currently seeking a long-term sub until a qualified applicant is retained as a permanent member of our staff.
- ❖ **Site Based Decision Making Council-** Current By-Laws for Site Council meetings were presented. Attendees unanimously determined that no changes were needed and that future meetings should be held using the same format.
- ❖ **Board Presentation** – The presentation that was shared at the School Board meeting on Monday, September 9 was also presented as part of this Site Council meeting. The presentation included a synopsis of events and changes that have occurred since the last Board presentation. Major staffing changes in Voznesenka School, as well as the ending of ASAA sanctioned sports at the Head of the Bay schools, were two of the topics covered. It will be three years before Voznesenka and Kachemak Selo Schools will again present to the Board.
- ❖ **Close Up-** Attendees were reminded that this is the year students in grades 10-12 have the opportunity to participate in the Close UP trip to Washington D.C. and New York City. It was mentioned that fundraisers to support this trip would be taking place throughout the year with a garage sale taking place this Saturday at McNeil Canyon School.
- ❖ **Athletics-** Attendees were reminded that with the shutting down of the HOB athletic programs, students interested in participating in sports continue to have those same opportunities with Homer High. The travel will deter some student participation, but those families wanting their children to have these experiences still have the option.
- ❖ **Adult Education** – Flyers were available for attendees interested in adult education opportunities. Earning a GED, gaining citizenship, and learning the English Language are all available at no cost through KPC. If there are six interested students from the HOB communities evening classes could take place at Voznesenka School.
- ❖ **Next Meeting** – December 10, in Kachemak Selo