

Moose Pass School
Site-Based Management Council
Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2017

Meeting called to order at 4:45 pm.

ATTENDEES: Eva Sanchez, Kayla Rymer, Laura Aigeldinger, Laura Johnson, Sandra Barron, Melanie Hornberger, Heather Lindquist, Doug Hayman, Melanie Schilling, Tom Lindquist, Alan Hornberger, Jordan Rymer, Jason Aigeldinger.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: There were no minutes found to read from the May 10, 2017, meeting, but it was recollected that the main topic of discussion was the fact that the school would remain open.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: The new administrator, Doug Hayman, introduced himself and shared his background growing up on a dairy farm in northern Idaho and his 28 years as an educator in Washington and then Alaska. He loves his job and finds identity in it. He understands our yearly worry about enrollment. He will ask the district office to give him current data as the year progresses, and he will be bringing that district communication to us so that we are aware of what is going on. He grew up in this type of setting and sees the great value and unbelievable ingenuity in these small schools...Personalized Learning is the push of KPBSD—in many ways, small schools will be the leaders in this push of every kid getting what they need when they need it. Many schools are so used to the factory model where everyone goes into the same class and receives the same assignment. He hopes that we will hear the term Personalized Learning. That's the district charge. One other push he is bringing is to get the 3 small schools of his—Hope, Moose Pass, and Cooper Landing—working together. It is more efficient—improve student learning through collaboration. He opened the floor to the question, "What would you like the focus to be here at Moose Pass School?" The following comments were then shared by individuals in the group: Reading literature is so great in this school...Seeing parents wanting to be part of their children's education is so neat to see here...One parent that attended Moose Pass School as an 8th grader shared that she loved going to school here. When she went on to Seward High, the Moose Pass School kids were just different in a special way...Another added that the MP students have excelled in high school and have often stood out as valedictorian or salutatorian...Another parent added that the focus on the outdoors here is really important for the fresh air, exercise, good health, and overall wellness of the kids.

TEACHER'S REPORT: Sandy Barron, our new teacher, reported that she is trying to incorporate music, movement, and art. We had testing yesterday and today. All the students seem very excited to be here. Sandy would like to do a science fair and an astronomy night, like she has

done before in other schools. She claimed that she doesn't yet know all the great things we do here yet. Really great kids here. (Mr. Hayman interjected here that Cooper Landing School is doing an astronomy night as well, so we should share resources.)

OLD BUSINESS: Enrollment. Doug Hayman said that the number of students is always a concern. He said he will find out all of the particulars about the state count to share with us at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Halloween Carnival. It was decided that it will be held on Friday, October 27th with Eva Sanchez volunteering to be chairperson, Melanie Hornberger as vice-chair, and Laura Johnson as the #1 Helper. Heather Lindquist offered to do the cake walk again.
2. Fund-Raising. Mr. Hayman asked, "What is your normal?" This was shared. We feel like the holiday bazaar has run its course. It was suggested that we may want to apply for a mini grant or regular grant from the Seward Community Foundation. Doug Hayman suggested that we put a request in the weekly notice for parents to brainstorm fund-raising ideas to share at our next meeting.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: It was discussed what activities are going on at the school now. Girl Scouts as well as Lego Robotics are offered after school.

TIME & DATE of NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at 3:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.