

Captain Isaac Paine School
School Improvement Team (SIT) Minutes

March 2, 2015

1. Attendance and introductions

- i. **Roll call:** Kristen Danusis, Lauren Kitson, Abbie Salvador, Katie Kelly, Lisa LaRose and Tina Dennis

2. SIT Concerns

- a. Timing spent with SIT work outside of meeting; meeting times once a month
- b. Future plans to have one major focus as whole committee--ex. preschool possibilities at CIPS

3. Ipad APP Request

- a. No APP applications
- b. \$150 left in budget for this year and continued.
- c. Money distributed to younger grades to use iPads for apps for next budget cycle

4. “ReThink School Grant”

- a. Applied for the grant called “Refab my Lab”
- b. 3D printer, greenscreen, equipment included in grant
- c. Applied into school’s budget
- d. Budget approval meeting: Dr. Barnes talk about it at PTG in March

5. Subcommittee Work and Report-out

- a. Need for School Improvement Plan revisions
 - i. Surveys will be sent out to staff, students and parents
 - ii. Sub-committee to work on improvements/revisions
- b. Recess:
 - i. Price list of all games that can be purchased through Hasbro
 - ii. Use moneys for grade levels to purchase supplies at cheaper (\$30 per classroom)
 - iii. Give teachers an amount of money to spend and a list of games at a decent price
 - iv. Wellness Committee: discussed possibility of writing a grant to fund indoor recess materials (Fuel Up 360)
- c. Daycare—before and after school care

- i. Communication with YMCA directors for future plans that can be implemented at our school. Meeting scheduled for mid-March
 - d. Technology--Paine School Website: No members present
 - e. Balanced Literacy Program
 - i. DRA level packets given to staff members
 - ii. Using Book Wizards on Scholastic to pick books that are appropriate
 - iii. Increase libraries in classroom: book donations to classrooms rather than purchasing or having a flyer attached to Scholastics orders for parents to order an extra book or two for the classroom
 - iv. Addressing two main concerns at next staff meeting: 1. Not having enough for their classroom libraries and 2. Not having enough supplies to send home with students for nightly reading requirements
 - v. During reading week: push for Target/Stop and Shop rewards to do towards book incentives for school; during spirit week a book drive (have grade levels create "wish lists")
- 6. Dr. Barnes presentation on Regional Budget
- 7. **Next meeting:** April 2016 from 5:00-6:00
 - i. **Plan for next meeting:** Work within subcommittees with action steps discussed at 04/16 meeting

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Kitson