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# Shoemaker School

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SCHOOL COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
JANUARY 9, 2013

PRESENT

Pat Riley, Principal  
Linda Roach, CIT  
Phyllis O'Brien, Teacher  
Jen MacKinnon, Parent

ABSENT

Kelly Papageorgiou, Parent  
Maureen Mitchell, Parent  
Guy Robinson, Camp Fire

1. Mrs. O'Brien agreed to record the minutes.
2. Mrs. Riley reviewed the responsibilities and role of the School Council. Regulations suggest that councils meet with a purpose. The ELA PIM and Math PIM teams will share their data analysis with the School Council. All groups will work towards improving student achievement.
3. The Massachusetts Framework and Common Core were discussed. Teachers are teaching new ways to learn math especially in the upper grades. An example was given for Division and using fractions. A national test will be given instead of MCAS; written sections could be in any subject. Teachers at Shoemaker and Sisson are planning together. For example on Monday the Kindergarten teachers planned the units for the month of January.
4. Accountability data was reviewed. Shoemaker is a Level 1 school. The white subgroup is the only group that did not meet the target overall. Science scores are lower than ELA and Math. Know Atom is a new Science program and people feel it is working. It is a hands on program. There is also increased emphasis on teaching students to read content material as 50% of what they are reading should be nonfiction.
5. Mrs. Roach explained the work that the Assessment Team has been doing with the Sisson Assessment Team. A binder for alternate assessments has been created. It will be available to COACH and regular ed teachers and will help any child within the classroom. Records will be kept to determine that students receive the help they should be getting.

6. Someone asked why Shoemaker and Sisson teachers were matched up. Each of the schools have similar achievement goals and the size was compatible. As Shoemaker is small it provides an optimal sized group for teachers to plan together.
7. Mrs. Riley ordered assessments for the binder: Book Handling and Quick Phonics Screener.
8. Shoemaker Action Plan is focused on maintain Level 1 status. Science now counts.
9. The Security Plan and in particular Lockdown Drills were discussed.
10. Next Meeting: February 13, 2013