

Enrichment Advisory Board Minutes

5/20/08

In attendance: Georgia Shimkus-Administrator, Elaine Villarreal, support staff, Helen Marie Slater, parent, Elizabeth Graham, parent, Terry Rodriguez, Supplemental Education

Absent:

Facilitator – Georgia; Recorder--Georgia

Minutes from last meeting/Agenda:

Agenda for the first meeting of the Enrichment Advisory Board (EAB) was distributed and reviewed.

Introductions:

All members introduced themselves and their roles in the school or district.

Role of EAB:

The role of the Enrichment Advisory Board was reviewed:

To advise the Site Council and /or principal regarding community interest in enrichment class offerings at MV and to serve as a liaison between the MV community and EAB. Other duties include surveying parents for interest in classes, recruiting staff to teach MV enrichment classes, and assisting in preparing the budget for MV enrichment classes for Site Council approval.

MV enrichment classes:

Background information was given about the original formation of the enrichment program at MV and the district supplemental enrichment classes. Terry Rodriguez and Dr. Shimkus shared how the classes started and why the Board was created. Terry shared how other schools have operated their enrichment classes and gave examples of Sureno and Norte that reduce all classes (both district offered and school-based) to offset the cost for families. The types of classes that have been offered at MV previously through Supplemental Education and their costs were shared such as Spanish (\$79), Chess (\$115), Young Rembrandts, Golf, Elements Keyboarding, Mandarin Chinese, Mad Science. Also, the MV classes were shared such as Lego Creations (\$60), Running Club, Brainiacs, Brain Busters, Lions Roar Chorus, Dancing Stories.

The MV Site Council has approved \$2500 of tax credit donations to be used toward enrichment classes for the '08-'09 school year. The Board discussed the classes and the length of time they are offered as well as the compensation paid to staff for teaching the classes. Terry shared information about the hiring process and compensation for staff and vendors.

The Board discussed classes that could be offered including possible new offerings such as the Homework Help Club and Kids Challenge (a fitness class).

The district conducted a survey in the spring and 25 MV families responded. Respondents included ideas for future class offerings.

Next Steps:

Terry will contact all staff to see who is interested in teaching classes for the fall. She will provide the EAB with rough numbers for classes with and without tax credit funds to offset the costs.

It was decided that meetings will be quarterly and a survey will be given to parents on interests. Class evaluations will be done and analyzed after each session.

Next Meeting:

July 14, 2008 at 9:00AM at MV