

## SITE COUNCIL MINUTES

November 12, 2009

### Attendance:

Frances Sperling, Paul Custer, Heather Roselle, Filmore Bender,  
Joseph Caruchi, Pat Murano and Ruth Leppanen

Minutes were read from the October 7, 2009 meeting.

Copies of the Financial Report of Thompson Ranch Elementary School's Extra Curricular Tax Credit Funds for Fiscal Year 2009-2010, with the Tax Credit Determination Chart were distributed to each Site Council member and discussed, noting balances available as of August 2009.

### New Business:

Ms. Markoski submitted an application for the TRES Builder's Club for the 2009-2010 school year. The Builder's Club is a Service Oriented Club where students learn the value of giving service and gain leadership. A student fee of \$5.00 per student was suggested. A limit of 30 hours this term was suggested. Mr. Caruchi made the motion to approve the application which was second by Mr. Bender, and voted unanimously in the affirmative by all committee members.

It was made known to the Site Council Committee by Frances Sperling, that the school owns a Plaque Maker. It is available for all teachers' use for student recognition in their academic improvement and achievements, attendance, athletics, and clubs. Mrs. Sperling suggested that we get more information on the cost of the supplies to use the plaque maker for the above purposes and then to continue discussion of such at the December meeting. All committee members voted in the affirmative.

Follow-up of Ms. Chagolla's request at the October 7, Site Council Meeting to order and purchase sheet music for the winter concert to be held in December of 2009, was found to be too short of a time period to be available for this December. She is now looking into ordering and purchasing sheet music for the following school year's winter concert.

The next item up for discussion was the Tax Credit Donations and how we could campaign as a school to earn community members' support to designate their donations to Thompson Ranch Elementary School. The following ideas were presented:

- TRES December Newsletter
- Make flyers to distribute to the churches that volunteer at TRES
- Put flyer on school website
- Mr. Bender offered to distribute flyers at the Kiwanis Club Meetings
- Put flyers in all TRES Staff mailboxes
- Mrs. Sperling offered to distribute at her Sorority Meeting at Corte Bella
- Mr. Custer offered to distribute flyers at his golf club
- Mr. Caruchi offered to distribute flyers at church, Interfaith

Flyers need to be produced, copied and distributed before the fiscal year end which is before December 25, 2009.

The last item discussed was a report back from Mr. Bender regarding Western Growers to partner with TRES for a Beautification Project on campus. Western Growers is not taking on any new schools. Mr. Bender suggested we go to the Super Walmart located in the city of El Mirage, located on Waddell Rd. to continue this effort. He was looking into items for a school garden to be located in the back of campus. Mr. Custer mentioned the idea of large planters to be located in the front of the main office of the school which would hold trees and flowers and also possibly provide seating. The other suggestion was to plant low growing shrubs along the front runoff area to prevent further erosion and increase beautification at the same time. More time and research was needed to continue this topic.

Adjournment:

A meeting date of Thursday, December 10, 4:00pm was set for the next meeting. Mr. Custer motioned that the meeting come to a close which was second by Pat Murano.