# P.K. Yonge School Advisory Council Minutes January 21, 2014

**Members present:** Paige Allison, Cathy Atria, Lynda Hayes, Meryl Klein, Eileen Oliver, Helen Zee, Kathy Olmos, Karen Bethel, Liesl O'Dell, Carrie Litchfield, Lindsey Ammons, Paul Manning.

**Guests:** Tamara Robbins, G.B. Edwards, Tanya Kort, Katie Yurko, Gary Boulware, and Susan Cary.

Meeting called to order: 5:35 PM

# **Teacher requests for SAC Travel Funds:**

- a. Katie Yurko.
- b. Tanya Kort

Motion made by Eileen Oliver to fund up to the \$500 limit and second by Paul Manning request approved unanimously.

# Consent agenda:

#### **Minutes from November 2013**

Motion to approve minutes was made by Meryl Klein and 2nd by Helen Zee, approved unanimously.

\*Suggestion was made to approve the minutes simply as an agenda item rather than in a Consent Agenda. Also the Agenda should be approved by the Council at the beginning of each meeting.

**Student Parking Fees**: Dr. Boulware reported from the student government regarding the students' opinions regarding student parking fees. After meeting with Dr. Hayes and listening to a proposal from her regarding the use of the money collected from student parking fees.

Student Government also met to discuss the students' perception of academic rigor at PK.

## **Update on Sub Committees:**

Bylaws – Shared the updated Bylaws with comments about changes and suggestion regarding language and format. Question was raised about the role of the SAC that occurred in September and if the role is clarified by the Bylaws. Discussion centered on the advisory role versus who provides oversight in a budgetary manner and regarding the Sidney Martin Bill.

Academic Program (School Improvement) Subcommittee - Workshop held January 14, with discussion and suggestions. One question about credentialing was raised and corrected, another question raised about the table reporting AP scores. The subcommittee will continue to meet with new goals regarding administering a climate survey that will inform the goals for the future. Motion made by Cathy Atria to approve the SIP with stated changes, second by Helen Zee. Motion passed unanimously.

Activity Fee and Budget Subcommittee: No progress with this subcommittee. They will meet in February.

Communication Subcommittee: Several members absent, so will attempt to form in time for February meeting. Another phone home will be sent requesting parental involvement.

Next Subcommittee meeting February 11 at 5:30 in the Community Classroom.

#### **Principal's Report:**

Report from the Administration Conference attended by Cathy Atria and Lynda Hayes. The conference was well attended by administrators nation-wide. They were reminded not to be task-oriented, but rather to seek many perspectives to help avoid blind spots.

## **Old Business:**

#### **New Business:**

School Calendar/school start times will begin to be discussed. Faculty has not begun yet, but ready to start collecting data. Parent input important. Also discussion revolved around the semester exam early release times.

## **Other Business**:

Question was raised regarding the need for a new stop sign (or some indicator) to be placed on the high school circle to help the flow of traffic between the upper lots and the traffic coming off 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**Meeting adjourned** at 7:03.