

9/7/06 Leadership Council Minutes – started 5:30 pm

7 people present – Flora, Annie, Ben, Rich, Denise, Ken, Dave

people needs: from parent council: 2 parents, from student council: 3 students
from staff: 1 teacher?

Flora will be an alternate with Annie for 2006/07

Review of LC meeting of 8/20/06:

One change: “How Constituent groups can affect curriculum issues” should be now read as “How constituent groups can affect all issues” (see p. 2 of Leadership Council Minutes of 8/20/06)

Ken ask questions about what are your goals? clarity of goals? how to structure your goals?

Answer: Two meetings in summer to define goals.

1 Enact action plan for Equity Goal –

All incoming students at or below basic in math scores will complete 3 yrs of high school math

Questions: What academic supports are in place? What do staff, parents and students do?

2 Enact action plan for Achievement Goal –

The overall gpa for each grade level will be raised by 10% each year

Questions: What academic supports are in place? What do staff, parents and students do?

Discussion about what to do next;

Result: 1st step for Leadership Council: collect data to look at where we are

Constituency reports:

Parents:

Website up and running; use is much higher – Wed. ~ 250 hits with teacher hits of ~ 25 per class. Still problems with setting up of PTSA HW website, so all CP Academy teachers should continue to post on our website. Inquiry into future use of PTSA HW site as having real-time parent views of grades.

Found new editor for newsletter. Already gathering info for 1st newsletter slated to be released in October.

First parent meeting: 21 September 2006. Goals – find out what parents want - set goals for year, set up of communication, community building and fundraising committees, get two people for LC committee

Students:

Student elections to LC; 8 students interested, 1 senior and the rest are 9th & 11th grades. Elections for each class level (1 from each grade level). Ken brought up questions about is it possible to have fair representation using elections. It was decided that these questions should be discussed in the student council leadership committee.

Staff:

Movement towards equity goal – There is presently no IMP1, All students are in IMP2
Continued development of IMP curriculum

Teachers will now observe each other and critique (approval of a set of rules to enact)

Increase cultural competency/capitol – one way – home visits, reservations – not enough time

Guest Speakers in classroom

Staff meets on Mondays for grade level meetings

The question of recording the # of D & F's in each class still needs to be addressed

Maybe a teacher by teacher survey of why students do not pass is in order

Review of Data Chart of LC meeting of 8/20/06 for data to be collected.

Highlight points:

Dump target for # of D's and F's. The target would be "0". Monitor this number.

Achievement goal needs Average GPA to be collected for 9, 10, 11 and 12 grades. Will do it per semester.

Dave is the expert in the area of which data to collect from the STAR tests. He will revise this area of the chart.

Afterwards, big discussion: Is it relevant to go into so much detail at an LC meeting?
Should this be given to a sub-committee?

Answers: No firm conclusions. Some people felt that it was a waste of time and not as much policy making can take place. Some people felt that data collection is an Achilles heal and needs to be micro-managed as the LC has not been able to effectively collect data for 3 years running now.

Discussion on who will set next agenda – results: Denise, Dave and Ben. Next meeting on Thursday, October 5 2006.

LC meeting ended 7:15 pm