

## Welby Way School Site Council Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2005

### Members Present:

*Aranda, Mauricio*

*Boyle, Brandi*

*Douglas, Patricia*

*Edler, Gigi*

*Jasper, Fran*

*Keyser, Ken*

*Koff, Marcia*

*Lyttle, Judy*

*Watson, Sandra*

*Wolla, Amy*

*Wolla, Steve*

*Yoo, Jennifer*

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm in the Library

1. Minutes from the November 29<sup>th</sup> School Site Council meeting were distributed, reviewed and approved by all members present.
2. The California Distinguished School application document was received in Sacramento. 41 District One schools qualified for submission, and 23 of those schools actually submitted applications for the California Distinguished School designation. We will have a site visit at the end of February if our application proceeds to the next level.
3. Mrs. Edler distributed the California Star Test results in math that showed a comparison with District and statewide scores. This report broke down scores of state, district, and Welby Way students. Welby Way performed admirably. Diane Lorington, our math coach, will be on the Welby Way campus working with students and teachers every other week. We share our math coach with Lockhurst Elementary. Marcia noted that the 5<sup>th</sup> grade algebra enrichment program will be enhanced by the addition of the assistance of Liberty Hanson's father. Liberty is currently an aide at Welby Way.
4. Fran Jasper attended a five day workshop on "Thinking Maps." "Thinking Maps" are techniques designed to assist students with their thinking processes. Fran has introduced the program at a Welby Way staff meeting. "Thinking Maps" are currently offered to the teaching staff and in the future may be offered to parents.
5. There was further discussion of the "Advanced Psychological Solutions Site-Based Program." The Advanced Psychological Solutions Site-Based Program is dedicated to improving the emotional well-being of students through school-based mental health programs. It was decided to try the program during the remainder of the school year funded with school improvement funds which has not been previously allocated. Jennifer Yoo surveyed the teachers and 27 out of 30 teachers felt that the program would have a positive effect for all students. We may have a sponsor for one-half of the program costs for next school year. The board decided to review the **measurable** results achieved by the program at the end of the school year and make a decision at that time whether or not to renew the program for the 2006-2007 school year.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 24, 2006 at 7:00 PM.