

## SALMON BAY Building Leadership Team (BLT) Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 9, 2015 - Principal's Office

**Agenda: Minutes, Parent Rep Review/selection, PBL Theme, Aloha BLT Members**

### **In attendance:**

Administrator: Neil Gerrans (phone)

IA Rep: Nancy Gruber

Nurse/Counseling Rep: Markos Weiss

2/3-Team: Dave Middleton/absent camp

6<sup>th</sup> Team: Katie Hayes \*

Cascades (7/8<sup>th</sup>): Jeff Callahan

Parent Rep: Jeannie Czesla

\*Acting Chairperson

Office Rep: Caitlin Racey

Library/Specialist: Linda Illman

K/1 Team: Amy Gross (phone)

4/5 Team: Brian Williamson

Olympics (7/8<sup>th</sup>): Connie Gold

Parent Rep: AJ Silva

Asst. Principal: Darren Frink (phone)

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**1) MINUTES: from 5/20 and 5/26 will be mailed out later today, just taking longer than usual.**

**2) Katie brought the meeting to order at 7:25.**

**3) Parent Rep Review and Selection. So many great applicants!** The review of the 11 (really impressive!) parent applicants for the two open BLT Parent Rep positions was conducted per our Salmon Bay ByLaws . In the end, John Barnhardt (K-5) and Tess McShane (6-8) were selected as the 2015/16 BLT parent representatives.

**4) PBL Theme Discussion:** We jumped back into our previous discussions about potential themes for Project Based Learning opportunities next year. Suggestions had been emailed to Amy. The list of ideas included: Neil: 3 Year loop; exploration, innovation, preservation. Other singlet ideas that were presented were: Observing, Serving, Connect, Explore, Artifacts, Equity, Service, Connections, Community, Environments, Water, Place, Empathy, Maps, Compassion Project, Living v. Non-Living, public Domain, Choosing the Correct words, Taking care of each other, "My Story, Your Story, Our Story", Building Together. The discussion included the pluses and minuses of doing a multiple year rotation vs. one broad basic idea/theme. After eliminating a few of the items (such as 'connections') that we include every day in our educational practice, the group supported the "Exploration, Innovation, Preservation" theme to present as a potential theme at our last all staff meeting.

**5) Thanks for BLT Service:** Brian, Jeannie, AJ, Markos, Dave will be leaving the BLT this year. Most of these rep positions already have new volunteers to fill the positions. New members will come to summer retreat, which will be held in August. Exact date is not yet determined.

**6) Meeting Adjourned 8:25**

Submitted by Nancy Gruber