

**Susan B English School
PAC/SBDM Council
Minutes from January 26, 2016**

I. Opening Activities

- A.** Meeting called to order at 7:02pm
- B. Present:** PAC MEMBERS: Mark Janes, Cassidi Little SBDMC: Renee Purpura, Alan Haskins, Richard Bierer, Ila Dillon
- C. Minutes** from 11/24/15 – not approved, did not have
- D. Approval of Agenda**
- E. Additions/Amendments to agenda**
 - 1. Mr. Haskins moves Principal's Report to last item on agenda
 - 2. Mark Janes adds to New Business: Information on the New School Board Member position

II. Old Business:

A. Shop Update:

Bids opened up. General Contractors have been in Seldovia for the last week or so. There have been at least 8 or 9 contractors interested with the RFP closing the first part of February. The job will entail becoming ADA compliant, abate everything, fire compliance, code compliance, electric, water, etc. Pottery room will be redone, and the weight room will be moved back to gym with plans for a new remodel to be done.

III. New Business:

A. School Board Representative:

School Board representative position opened up when Sunni Hilts retired. The position represents three Russian Villages, Anchor Point, McNeil Canyon, Seldovia. One of the largest regions in the school district. Hopefully someone will be interested.

IV. Principal's Report

A. Susan B English Outlook for 2016-2017 Schoolyear:

If we stay positive as a community, then we will be able to handle change better. We need to evaluate our perception of change. Focus on the positive things that SBE offers students and put energy towards that. For instance: Distance Ed, Jumpstart Classes, and Polycom Classes all are going to be an integral part of our students' education.

FY17 Budget Outlook:

District is already 6.2 million in the hole.

Base Student Allocation: \$5880 for FY16

5% reduction = decrease of \$294 = \$5586 for FY17

State reduction = 5.2 Million

KPB Reduction= Additional 1.2 Million

Total Reduction = 6.4 million

Reality: Cuts and reductions are happening EVERYWHERE

FY17 Staffing Outlook:

Certified staffing based on 36 students

Special ED position is yet to be determined; classload is decreasing

2 Full Time Employees K-12

Full Time Principal/Teacher

Unclassified is unchanged as of now

Non Tenure contracts will not go before board in February; only contract and tenure will go before board in February

FY17 Enrollment Projections:

K-6: 14

7th-12th: 20

What are we going to do?

We will be doing more distance delivery education

Susan B English Students need a staff and community behind them to make the most opportunities for them with the resources available. We need to adapt and join together in the change. People care, kids will get a good education, it's just going to be different.

V. Council Comments

Cassidi proposed to approach City Council with a letter to encourage that we all recognize the state of Seldovia and its shrinking size. Let's join together in a conversation about ways we can grow Seldovia economically, school wise, and bring people to Seldovia to keep it going.

VI. Adjournment

A. Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm