

MIPAC Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2016

Attendees: Greg Hauser, Cynthia Chang, Daniel Wong, Nicole Loh, Jennifer Pang, Ami Barrett, Agustin Del Alamo, MC Barrosa

Absent: Julie Fong, Audrey Shaw

Guests: New-New Lee, Annie Young, Susanne Dachgruber, Paula Yousef

Start 2:09pm

Jen motions to approve Dec 17th minutes. Ami seconds. All aye

1. Consultant status (Greg) and curriculum issues:
 - a. Dr. Lien: after talking to her Greg feels she does not fit and most of it can be done by our teachers.
 - b. Still thinking of getting a person to oversight the in-house development
 - c. Cynthia clarified that 5th grade curriculum is started
 - d. Conversation about how advanced the development is
 - e. Daniel will discuss with Greg on the status of the curriculum for each grade level
 - f. Daniel will suggest FoMIP to fund a Program Coordinator/Manager (as opposed to a "Consultant") in order to drive the group of teachers who develops the curriculum. This Coordinator will be CUSD employee, paid by FoMIP, reports to Greg.
 - g. Jen makes a motion to recommend FoMIP to hire a Program Coordinator, Greg seconds, all aye
2. Nicole requested to have a replacement for Aid in Kinder, and add one more for next school year.
 - a. Jen makes a motion to hire an aid replacement, Agustin seconds, all aye. MIPAC will recommend FoMIP.
3. Fifth Grade Curriculum. Cynthia mentions Chinese section is done. MC mentions English, Social Studies and Science (standard components) still needs to be developed.
4. Singapore Math vs. Math Expressions evaluation: MC shares a presentation printout and other material. Didn't have time to review fully.
5. March 7th deadline to present District any new curriculum material to be considered by District Board (voting).
6. February hiring (Greg). Will post job req early February
7. 50/50 model: we need to assess this model for hiring purposes. We need data from both our teachers (Cynthia and Amy), Greg, MC and parents.
8. Mei Zhou vs. Better Chinese. Cynthia shared evaluation summary presentation. Mei Zhou shows as more challenging, arguably too difficult. Better Chinese is too shallow. Preference towards Mei Zhou. Discussion about making Mei Zhou main material, and Better Chinese as supplement.

Meeting adjourned 3:16pm

Next Meeting February 25th 2016