

# **BULKELEY MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING LEVEL PLANNING TEAM**

MINUTES: December 19, 2007

## MEMBERS PRESENT:

Melanie Babineau, John Kemnitzer, Nancy Erlanger,  
Jane Hoffman, Lottchen Shivers, Helen Knapp

## MEMBERS ABSENT:

Nancy Ebel, Matt Grande, Brian Karas, Beth Heady, Lisa Lang

## TOPICS DISCUSSED:

- Goal Setting for 2007-2008
  - Having tallied member response, Mr. Kemnitzer reported that the three following topics were a priority for the team:
    - New Extracurricular offerings
    - Playground/recess
    - Publicity
- New extracurricular offerings are a budget sensitive topic so the members brainstormed possible club ideas. Possibilities included a Literary Club, Audio-Visual Club, Drama Club, Lego Robotics Club, Odyssey of the Mind Club, Mock Trial Club.
- When creating a new club one has to budget for advisor stipend and supplies/fees.
  - Clubs are offered to 6-8 graders. Transportation, via the late bus, must be available to all students.
- This year Boys' Choir and Talent Show clubs have been piloted with success and will be included in the BMS '08-'09 proposed budget.
- Surveying student interests and needs seems critical before determining what new club should be offered. So, a student survey will assess interest and need. Faculty will be consulted for availability/interest in advisor positions. A named club will occur prior to March.
- Mr. Karas has forwarded information about an exciting series of programs at the Phoenix Public Library called The Culture/Countries Program Series. This program, for teens, offers a three hour program every month on a different county/culture. Each program includes a movie, food, instruction, and guest speaker. The BLPT felt this idea would be a great way to bridge the gap between school aged teens and the community. More information is desired and more dialogue will follow.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, January 15, 2008  
6:30 p.m. BMS Art Room

