Parent Advisory Committee (PAC): October 28, 2014
Minutes

Attendees: Kathy Morrison (Interim Associate Principal), Erin Sirianni (2nd grade rep.), Cindy Goodwin (Guest from MIYFS), Pat Braman (School Board Director), Allison Janshen (Resource Room), Jen Sadlier (5th grade rep.), Abigail Little (Kindergarten rep.), Mindy Smith (4th grade rep.), Asheigh Dickinson (PTA President) and David Hoffman (Principal)

A. Introductions

B. Cindy Goodwin from Mercer Island Youth and Family Services (MIYFS) was guest speaker.
   • MIYF is funded by the City and by a foundation; it is a private/public venture.
   • Each school has a counselor. The high school has a drug and alcohol counselor too.
   • Cindy shared some of the middle school and high school programs and community services: Diversion program, counseling services—kids, families, parents, couples—food pantry, rental assistance, seniors services, and referrals.
   • Cindy provided an overview of MIYFS’s healthy youth initiative.
   • A youth advisory board meets to provide feedback for MIYFS.
   • About 2 million dollar budget for MIYFS.
   • MIFYS has a local thrift shop.
   • Agency wants to hear from the parents about what is working and what is needed.
   • There is fundraising breakfast every February.
   • www.mercergov.org/yfs

C. New News
   • Schools Foundation phone-a-thon begins next week.
   • IP has a food drive with donations going to MIYFS’ food pantry.
   • District staff worked hard with PSE to get power back on after the windstorm.

D. Grade Levels

Only 4th grade reported out; very positive feedback regarding the 20 Acre Farms Field trip.

Respectfully Submitted,
David Hoffman
Principal