

**St. Louis Park Junior High Site Council**  
**Minutes December 2007 - Approved**

The following site council members were in attendance: Les Bork, Beth Cork, Cheri Cichoski, Betsy Omodt, Corey Maslowski, Randy Moore, Shari Fox, Mary Pickett, Elizabeth Griffin, Karen Gleason, Kari Conroy, Deanne Hoppe, Alex Chong, Marcia Cole.

1. Minutes from the November 2007 meeting were reviewed and approved.
2. Les Bork introduced Deanne Hoppe. She is an Administrative Intern and Dean to the Yellow Team. She used to work in the Minnetonka School District.
3. Open Microphone – No public comments or concerns.
4. Amity – No new updates.
5. Marcia Cole discussed a grant for arts from the Surdna Foundation. It is for promoting artistic skills in teens. She will go forward with writing the grant. Also, discussed the possibility of writing a grant for acquiring pieces of art.
6. Treasurer's Report – Cheri Cichoski handed out the 10/17/07 – 11/20/07 Treasurer's reports. There may be more money coming in from on-line magazine sales.
7. Volunteer Report – Elizabeth Griffin reported that Kathleen Goor is coordinating Staff Appreciation which is on Tues., Dec 18. Bus Driver Appreciation is next week. Approximately 14 stop watches have been donated, need 20. Binder Buddies is underway, Yellow and Blue teams are having winter parties. They are looking for someone willing to run the Spanish Club. Volunteers for Read Naturally are being trained. Breakfast of Champions went well. Sent e-mail reminder to families regarding Target card money. Welcome Desk is still being staffed.
8. Athletic Report – Karen Gleason reported that Winter I, 8<sup>th</sup> grade basketball is going well. Registration for 7<sup>th</sup> grade basketball begins soon, the season starts after winter break. 351 kids participated in fall athletics at the JH. Waiting to hear from the SH regarding the number of fall participants
9. Principal's Report –
  - AYP and NCLB – discussed meaning, pros and cons of AYP and NCLB, and the JH report card.
  - Budget – projected 1.4 million budget shortfall for the district next year. There will be a meeting with staff in January to discuss, site council will probably have input into cuts in the spring, 2 parents will be asked to sit with department heads in discussions regarding budget reductions.
  - Three music concerts will be held this season, December 17, 18 and 20.
  - February 7 is registration night for incoming 7<sup>th</sup> graders.
  - The Explore Test will be given, to interested students, on a Saturday this winter. It is a precursor to the ACT test.
  - Electronic Report Cards will be sent out for mid term grades for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters. They will only be sent out electronically, no paper copies. Next year the JH will send Electronic Report Cards for all grading periods.