

Voznesenka School

Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

April 30, 2015

- ❖ **Community and Staff Present-** Jill Zank, Hanna Young, Maria Kalugin, Raissa Kalugin, Irina Kalugin, Vera Afonin, Efimia Basargin, Afanasia Sanarov, Marfa Kusnetsov, Natalia Ivanov, Ksenia Kuzmin, Justin Zank and Michael Wojciak
- ❖ **Welcome sign-in**
- ❖ **2015-16 School Registration**– All school registration including next year’s preschool group is set for July 30th from 10:00 till 12:00. All students with religious exemptions will need to notarize exemption forms annually.
- ❖ **Annual Garbage Clean-up Day** – Monday, May 18th is our annual garbage clean-up day. Parents and community members are encouraged to participate. We will need parent drivers and assistance in taking the trash to the dumpsters.
- ❖ **Beach Day** – May 19th all students will be going to Kachemak Selo. Students will be served food, parents are invited to attend this fun event.
- ❖ **Athletics Fundraiser** – Monday, May 25th Memorial Day weekend from 11:00am till 2:00pm Voznesenka School will host a head of the bay fundraiser at Homer High School for the all athletics. We are hoping to sell 500 plates of traditional Russian food at \$20.00 per plate. We are looking for parent volunteers to assist with the food prep.
- ❖ **Graduation**- Graduation will be held at McNeil Canyon School at 4:00pm on Tuesday, May 26th.
- ❖ **Field Day** – The last day of school for students, May 29th elementary students will participate in field day activities.
- ❖ **Cougar Code** – Voznesenka’s Cougar Code- Be Safe, Be respectful, Be responsible will be implemented in the bathrooms next year. To celebrate positive behavior for the third quarter, we will have movie morning on May 1st. Students will be offered 4 teacher approved movie choices and popcorn. Student Council will serve otter pops.
- ❖ **Sprout** – Jill Zank and Hanna Young from the Sprout program presented on Sprout services. Sprout is a program for children ages 0-5. They have a lending library where parents are able to loan anything from high chairs to toys. Imagination Library- parents are able to sign up their child to receive free monthly books until age 6. They also provide free developmental screening much like Child Find. For the head of the bay communities, there is a Russian translator Sprout position available for 2 to 10 hours per week and will pay anywhere from \$15.00 to \$17.00 per hour depending on experience. If you’re interested contact Jill Zank at Sprout in Homer.
- ❖ **Caring for the Kenai** – The Watershed Forum, Tesoro and several other entities fund this program. Students are asked, “What can I do to make Kenai a better place environmentally or how can I assist the community with disaster preparedness?” There is \$25,000.00 available to schools. Voznesenka students participated, out of 400 applications one group made it to the top 15. Ustina Chernishoff and Kelina Polushkin earned \$1,600.00 for Voznesenka School. Their idea is to save salmon on the Kenai Peninsula by having vehicle repair companies remove copper in brake pads.
- ❖ **GED/Adult Basic Education Classes** – Michelle Waclawski is the new GED/Adult Basic Education instructor for Kenai Peninsula College. The program offers citizenship classes, GED and job prep and many more services. Enrolled students will have access to the college campus library and computer lab.
- ❖ **Next Meeting** - The next council meeting has yet to be set.