

**School Advisory Council  
Minutes from November 8, 2007**

**Members/Guests Present:** Sandra Daves, Sharron Potts, Robin Chapman, Maria Cruz, Beryl Centko

The SAC Meeting was held on Thursday, November 8, 2007 in the Media Center at Kaley Elementary School.

The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m.

The Election for the SAC membership will be held on November 13, 2007 at the PTA General Meeting.

Ms Daves reported that Kaley's budget was cut by an additional \$11,297.00 due to a decrease in student enrollment. There should be no further budget cuts for the 2007-2008 school year.

The committee discussed ways to increase SAC membership. The personal letters of invitation were positively received.

The School Improvement Plan was reviewed. The committee voted not to change Kaley's Vision Statement. It will remain as follows: Kaley Elementary School will be a safe, enthusiastic learning community in which all students become responsible citizens who excel in academic achievement and develop appropriate social interaction.

The committee discussed the needs assessment process. The Parent Survey was discussed. A suggestion was made to add a comment line for each line item where a parent address a specific area of concern and make suggestions for improvement.

A parent brought a concern to Ms Daves regarding the celebration of Halloween. This concern was discussed. The committee considered the Benchmarks that address learning about American culture. The different ways that teachers use Fall/Halloween to interest students in learning was also discussed. Fictional Book Character Day also is an important tool in helping hearing-impaired children develop language and social skills through interacting with others during "trick-or-treat" time. No final recommendation was made at this time.

The School Advisory Committee Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.