

**Mannheim Elementary School**  
**SAC Minutes**  
**January 23, 2006**

**I. Welcome and Introductions:**

Amanda H called the third meeting of the MES Advisory Committee for SY '05-06 to order at 3:18. The minutes from October 17, 2005 were reviewed and accepted.

**II. Attendance**

**Parent Representatives:** Amanda H, Kelly A, Amy B,

**Teacher Representatives:** Beth B, Jennifer L, Miki L, Anna W

**Non-voting:** Shawne Cryderman, Principal

**Guest Attendees:** Dana B, Meghan O' (student teacher), Darlene F, Libby G, Pamela K, General Dennis V, Linda V

**III. iSafe presentation – by Dana B, Educational Technologist**

January is isafe month. Students need to use appropriate websites. Students are taught email etiquette, and how to deal with strangers. Three newsletters went home to encourage parents to talk to their children about internet safety. [www.isafe.org](http://www.isafe.org)

Students in grades 1-5 are learning appropriate keyboarding skills. Students in grades 3-5 are using Type to Learn and will need to be able to type 15, 20, and 25 WPM.

Technology standards are called NETS. To learn more about the standards visit [www.iste.org](http://www.iste.org). The fifth grade students received a school email account that they are able to access from home.

There are three labs where the teachers can focus on co-teaching and integrating technology into the curriculum. MES has three types of computers, and the 150s will go off contract. We will have fewer computers to work with.

**IV. IAC Meeting Report**

Complaints were made about the time it takes to enter the new gate. Force protection is inconvenient for everyone; adjust your schedule.

Make sure the correct issues are going to IAC. Some are not appropriate for IAC, and should be addressed at the Town Hall Meetings. The next Town Hall meeting is February 8<sup>th</sup>. The next IAC meeting is February 28<sup>th</sup>.

**V. Principal's Report**

February 17<sup>th</sup> and March 17<sup>th</sup> are SIP in-service days. No school for students. MES is getting ready for the North Central Association (NCA) to visit in 2007. It will be in February or April. They will spend three days at our school.

March 2<sup>nd</sup> is Read Across America. Guest readers are still needed. General & Mrs.V volunteered to be guest readers.

*TerraNova* testing will take place March 20-24<sup>th</sup>. There will be five days of testing (Reading, Reading, Math, Social Studies, Science). Fifth and first grade will switch specials. Fourth and second grade will switch specials. The PTA will host a book fair the week of *TerraNova*. SS-2 can go in the morning; 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade can go in the afternoon.

Town meetings are taking place this week for grades K-5. It is a reminder to students that they need to make good choices.

A practice lockdown will take place in the near future.

MES will have the Summer Academic Enrichment program. It is for students in grades K-8. It was successful last summer; there were over 200 students in the program.

Teachers will be able to take courses this summer in the states. More information will be given via email.

January 26<sup>th</sup> scholastic representatives will visit MES. They will help with the Read 180 program as well as Scholastic Red.

The manpower voucher was received for SY '06-07. We went from 124.4 (05-06) to 104.4 (06-07). Two assistant principal positions were cut. Two kindergarten teachers, one nurse, one Information Specialist, a .5 for Music, Art and P.E. were also cut. Ms. Cryderman is doing some juggling, and fighting for positions.

January 26<sup>th</sup> is the Talent Show. Come support the 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

January 27<sup>th</sup> is a Teacher Workday. Teacher will do progress reports, and they are to be turned in to their supervisor at the start of business Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>.

February 1<sup>st</sup> progress reports go home, and parent/teacher conferences will take place on Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **VI. Old Business**

The cutoff date for entering kindergarten in most states is 1 September. Anna W, Amy B, and Amanda H volunteered to help Miki L prepare a proposal to change the DoDDS cutoff date.

#### **VII. New Business**

There is not a complete list for individuals to find information about Accelerated Reader on the web. For now use [www.renlearn.com](http://www.renlearn.com) this is the Accelerated Reader website. It has the books, reading levels, and point value, but the book may not be at MES. Ms. G and her team will work on this.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 P.M. The next SAC meeting will be held on **Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> 2006 at 3 P.M. in the Information Center.** All interested parents, teachers, and community leaders are invited to attend.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Miki L  
Secretary**