

## **PAC Minutes**

1-14-15

Introductions made and all were welcomed.

Mrs. Carpenter reviewed goals/mission of PAC.

Mrs. Carpenter introduced SEL, gave definition and discussed the competencies. Informed all that a workgroup has been formed at CHA to research evidence-based SEL programs and make recommendations for CHA. Gave handout of FAQ's and discussed ways parents can increase SEL at home. Informed group that a professional development for all staff on SEL occurred last Monday – specifically discussed deep breathing techniques, stuffed animal and glitter jar. Parents shared their thoughts on SEL and made suggestions of things they have done when working with children. All were very positive about SEL at CHA.

Briefly discussed: dismissal is working out well without a staff person stopping traffic on Sycamore School Road; parents have noted that there is more parking available in Hulen lot now that all staff are using the Sycamore School lot; reviewed weather policy for recess.

Reviewed upcoming important dates, including spelling bee, MLK holiday, PTA meeting/Open House (for prospective families), student holiday 2/6 and math/science night. Letters of intent have been sent home, must be returned by due date or student is placed on wait list.