

Bei Dou Xing Meeting Agenda and Minutes  
Monday, May 17, 2010  
7:00 -8:30 pm

### Welcome and Introductions

#### Summer Chinese Resource Discussion

Presented by: Zhining Chin, Ph. D,

Coordinator of Assessment, Evaluation and Research, Hopkins School District

Zhining presented online resources available to XinXing families to use over the summer. She demonstrated how to access various websites with Chinese videos; links to the websites can be found on the beidouxingmn.com website (*Quick Links → Chinese Videos OR Parent Resources tab → Kids Corner → Chinese Video Sites*). Zhining emphasized the importance of using these videos to help students retain knowledge of Chinese language and culture over the summer. Just 10 minutes a day will make a big difference to help your child when they return to school in the fall.

#### XinXing Update – Molly Wieland, Ph. D

The 3<sup>rd</sup> grade English teacher has been hired. There will be an information session for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade parents on the evening of June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### Principal's Update – Terri Siquenza

- The open 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher position has been filled, although the paperwork is not final yet. An announcement will be made as soon as everything is final.
- There is work underway to strengthen the pool of substitute teachers for XinXing.
- The assistant principal position has been filled. The scope of the position is still being defined.

#### Committee Updates

##### 1. Communications

Big Tent membership was not renewed. Going forward, the primary web resource for BeiDouXing will be through the beidouxingmn.com website.

##### 2. Fundraising

Famous Dave's Dinner raised \$271.

##### 3. Community Building

Based on the Buddy Family survey results, the program will be offered to incoming families again next year with some tweaks.

##### 4. Room Parents

Room Parents discussed the End of Year parties and Teacher Appreciation Gifts.

#### BeiDouXing Board Update

##### 1. Non-Profit Status

Work is underway to complete and file the paperwork to give BeiDouXing 501c3 status.

2. Board Member Transitions

Structure of the board was reviewed. There will be new members added to the board for the 2010-2011 school year and there will be process for rotating membership going forward. Additional information will be posted on the BDX website once finalized.

Treasurer's Update

BeiDouXing account is in a surplus position. In June the books will be closed for the current fiscal year. Receipts requiring reimbursement should be forwarded to Sarah Bennett. Budget for 2010-2011 fiscal year will be prepared in coming months.