

INPEACE P-3
Mā'ili Focus Group Minutes
February 18, 2010
2:15 pm to 3:45 pm
Mā'ili Elementary School Library

1. Handout

Agenda, minutes

2. Attendance

Abe Kaneakua, Kindergarten Teacher
Angela Lopes, KOKA
Joy Kiyun, PCDC
LaurieAnn Dunn, INPEACE
Linda Asato, Community member

Melissa, PATCH Early Headstart
Michelle Mahuka, INPEACE P-3
Val D'Amato, DOE PCNC
Wendy Liu, DOE PCNC

3. Introductions

4. Review Minutes

Report back on Kindergarten teacher meeting (Michelle and LaurieAnn)

- a. Of all the various efforts to improve student outcomes, Kindergarten teachers mentioned that KSTK worked. INPEACE's Keiki Steps to Kindergarten (KSTK) program is a summer transition program for incoming kindergarteners in which priority is given to those without preschool experience.
- b. Kindergarten teachers continue to struggle to get parents involved in their child's education.
- c. In response, how can we in the focus group help support K teachers?

5. Ideas and Suggestions

It was suggested to visit the Kindergarten classes to better understand their curriculum so we can be better informed in how to help support them and their students and families.

Site visit to Mā'ili

- a. Goal is to find a way to engage parents: *What are ways parents could be involved in the process?*
- b. Possible dates in March will be sent out.
 - a. Direct Instruction hours is scripted and precise to the minute; a site visit would be the best way to see it in action.

Possible Site Visit Schedule

- b. Reading 8:00-8:45am

- c. Writing 8:45-9:15am
- d. Math 9:15-9:55am
- e. Language 10:15-10:50am
- f. Debrief in P-6 11am-12pm
- g. Schedule to visit in March 2010

6. Program Announcements

7. Next Meeting: TBD

- a. Email will be sent out giving date of a Kindergarten site visit.
- b. All are invited to join.
- c. Site visit and follow-up debrief will be the P-3 focus group meeting for the month of March.