

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Minutes of Staff Meeting held on April 27, 1954

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Mr. Kelly reported that there has been a request from ~~Betty Spellman~~ *Steve Lacy* of the ~~YMCA Residence, Fernhurst,~~ to have a group of youngsters from the Music Department perform for their open house on May 10th. After a discussion, the following children were selected to be asked to play the piano.

Sylvia Gressitt	Linda Sanchez
Shirley Oda	Patty Lum
Frank Medrano	April Suzuki
Carolyn Ishimoto	Bertha Shiroma
& Karen Kernahan	

Mrs. Park will prepare a few scholarship children to sing a few Hawaiian numbers. Jimmy Dicker will also be asked to play the flute along with selections by the band.

A discussion was held on the attendance and progress of scholarship children. The following children will be dropped due to poor attendance or lack of interest.

Joseph Kuahua
Katherine Josiah
Edward Matias
Victor, Patrick, & Joanne Pestana

It was announced that Gaylord Waa, a former student, has expressed a desire to continue his studies in music. Mr. Wiley agreed that if Gaylord will be prompt for his lessons he will take him on as a student during an early hour. He was also interested in taking voice lessons. Mr. Kelly will try to work him into his schedule.

Mrs. Park announced that a student of hers (also a mother of 2 of our students) has volunteered to investigate the possibility of having someone sponsor the children's chorus on a T. V. program. Mr. Kelly says he will talk this over with the director and Mrs. Chock personally.

Creative work in small groups for selected advanced students was discussed. Teachers feel that the creative approach (composing of little songs) stimulates an interest in the expressive qualities in music. Problems of integrating several such groups into the already full schedule were discussed.

Mr. Kelly outlined the problems of the vacation period re-summer day camp. Due to the necessity of commencing teaching on September 7th, vacations will run from August 9 thru September 4th. Miss Chock will make a decision with Mr. Ehlers regarding the two weeks of un-earned vacation time. Her preference is for the two weeks off without pay.

Submitted by: *W. Chum*

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