

**E.B. deSilva Elementary School**  
**School Community Council Agenda**  
**5:30 p.m. 9/30/14**  
**Computer Lab**

- Mahalo to SCC member, Patti Taira-Tokuuke for locating the TMK and addresses of the two property owners of land adjacent to our campus. Both of the parcels contain Albizia trees that need to be removed in the interest of student/staff and facility safety. Certified letters were mailed to both parties last week. Mr. Tomihama replied on 9/23, stating that he will visit Hilo this coming week and work with the school & Tree Works to cut down Alibizias that pose a threat. We will phone Mr. Anderson – if he does not call the school by end of this week.
- At this time, we have 2 Educational Assistants and a Cafeteria Baker who reside very near the area to be impacted by the 6/27 lava flow. Also, we have been surveyed by the DOE to determine if our capacity would permit E.B. to assist in the event that the Pahoa or Keonepoko Schools are negatively impacted. Currently, we are at maximum capacity and are unable to assist in this manner. However, if the flow reaches the highway and/or damages homes, we may see an influx of Puna families moving into Hilo to reside with family/friends. Our present enrollment is holding steady at 441.
- Thanks to the generous support of our PTA, the COOL OUR SCHOOL project is continuing. This past weekend Hawaii Electrical Services was in to install an a.c. in E-105, outlets in E-105 and A-102 – and do the measurements for a.c. installation for “D” building. HES will be continuing with “D” bldg. on 9/27.
- Due to an increase in thefts/burglaries in the Ainako Ave. area, E.B. will open the cafeteria on Sat. 10/4 at 2:00 p.m. to meet with neighbors and HPD Community Officers as a first step to organize a Neighborhood Watch Committee. As a “hub” of the Ainako community E.B. is highly interested in being part of this organization. We have found that since installation of the new driveway gates there are far fewer trespassers on campus during non-school hours. Still, we believe it important to work with our neighbors as a partner in the Neighborhood Watch Association.
- We have determined the site for our new portable classroom – TB-3. This portable is moving through the DAGs planning phase. A construction start date is yet to be determined, but is hoped to begin prior to the end of the current SY. (refer to campus map)
- This past Wed., 9/24, E.B. hosted the first in a series of Parent Informational Nights. The 9/24 session was focused on how parents can help their student with KidBiz 3000 at home. Upcoming parent nights will address how parents can best assist their child with Wonders ELA and Stepping Stones Math. Our teachers will be able to assist parents as they learn more about these new curriculums.
- As mentioned in an email notice, each DOE school is receiving an additional \$58K as a onetime supplement to the WSF. We will leverage these additional funds to continue towards our goals of 1:1 computer access, the COOL OUR SCHOOL project, and purchasing ahead for 2015-16 SY.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences for this SY will begin on Monday, 10/27 and continue through Monday, 11/10/14. Sign up forms should have already be sent out – if not very soon.
- We are still awaiting word on our Blue Ribbon Schools Nomination status.....
- Announcement, requests for information: MAHALO to all-next SCC mtg. 10/28, at 5:30

