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Local School Council Minutes
June 10, 2011

Commencement

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by John Ceisel.

Present: John Ceisel, Barry Rodgers, Kathleen Andrade, Crystal Melto, Gail Myers Jaffe, Cathy Quigley, Meredith O'Connor, Nicole Flores, Vicky Andrews

Absent: Vicki McMannon, Diane Monnich, Robert Albritton, Cesar Monarrez

Guests: [none]

Public Comment: [none]

Approval of Agenda

To approve the agenda for tonight's meeting (**see Motion #1**)

New Business

2011-2012 Budget

- Mr. Rodgers addressed the information which he received from CPS regarding the budget one week ago.
- As of now, there will be a minimum of 4 positions eliminated at Northside for next year; Mr. Rodgers has posed several questions to CPS regarding these cuts, but he has received no response from CPS to date.
- Technology issues at CPS (i.e., system overload) have resulted in the rationing of computer access time. Mr. Rodgers will be able to log on to the system for a limited period of time on Monday morning (June 13th), so the budget must be preliminarily approved by that time.
- The LSC's budgetary role includes the approval of SGSA funding allocations (SGSA = Supplemental General State Aid, the money given to the school based on the number of students qualifying for free or reduced lunch)
- The 4% raise for teachers is not included in the budget at this point. This may be added later, after the board has voted on whether or not to honor this part of the teachers' contract.
- Due to the uncertainty of the 4% raise ultimately being included in the budget, the budget is not zeroed out, i.e., total revenue does not equal total expenditures.
- Mr. Rodgers outlined two potential scenarios for allocating SGSA monies:
 - Scenario A: funding the salaries of a teacher, a library aide, two aides in the counseling office, and the mandatory Tech EXCL fee; disadvantage to "buying" a teacher: weakens bargaining position with CPS to maintain faculty positions

- Scenario B: instead of financing one teacher’s salary: paying for a clerk, funding the sub bucket, and paying extended day teachers; may be a better option because it is easier to negotiate to regain a teaching position than to retain these smaller items
- Changes from last year: 4-7 staff positions have been cut at this point in time, including probably 4 or 5 teachers; also, this year we do not have the \$250,000 initially granted to schools who registered additional students through the NCLB program last year. (At that time, it was never made clear whether that money was an annually renewable allocation or a one-time grant.)
- Due to the shortness of funds, there is really no margin for error, no leeway; this is necessarily a very lean budget that only covers the basics, even with our discretionary money.
- Every year we have lost some personnel: last year we lost some aides and 1.5 teaching positions.
- A number of positions are still up in the air, including technology personnel, a business manager, and a dean/admissions counselor.
- Seniority and school requirements for maintaining programs dictate which teachers would be eliminated (e.g., mandated 4-year programs supersede elective programs), if these cuts ultimately go through. One effect of these cuts would be that students will be less likely to get all of their first choices when their course schedules are programmed.
- In response to questions, Mr. Rodgers indicated that some teachers are currently on medical leave and other special leaves of absence unrelated to the current budget situation.
- Personnel changes must be handled according to a very specific algorithm and are not entirely at the discretion of the principal.
- To approve SGSA funding allocation Scenario B as described in the table below (**see Motion #2**)

| 2011-12 B | Item |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| \$57,988.00 | Library Aide |
| \$59,130.00 | Guidance Aide One |
| \$56,762.00 | Guidance Aide Two |
| \$48,100.00 | Clerk |
| \$10,000.00 | Sub Bucket |
| \$20,000.00 | Ext Day Teachers - Reg. |
| \$9,087.00 | Ext Day ESP- Reg. |
| \$10,000.00 | Tech EXCL |
| \$271,067.00 | Total |

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m. (see **Motion #3**).

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the LSC will be on Tuesday, June 14th, at 7:00 p.m. in the faculty lunchroom. Public participation is welcome.

Motion #: 1
Motion made by: Gail Myers Jaffe
Seconded by: Kathleen Andrade
Motion: To approve the agenda for tonight's meeting

Record of Votes on Motion

| Council Members | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
| John Ceisel (parent) | X | | | |
| Vicki McMannon (parent) | | | | X |
| Kathleen Andrade (parent) | X | | | |
| Gail Myers Jaffe (parent) | X | | | |
| Crystal Melto (parent) | X | | | |
| Cathy Quigley (parent) | X | | | |
| Diane Monnich (community) | | | | X |
| Meredith O'Connor (community) | X | | | |
| Robert Albritton (teacher) | | | | X |
| Nicole Flores (teacher) | X | | | |
| Barry Rodgers (principal) | X | | | |
| Cesar Monarrez (student) | | | | X |
| Vicky Andrews (staff) | X | | | |
| Total | 9 | 0 | 0 | 4 |

Motion #: 2
Motion made by: Crystal Melto
Seconded by: Vicky Andrews
Motion: To approve the proposal for the SGSA funding allocation outlined in Scenario B (see body of minutes)

Record of Votes on Motion

| Council Members | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
| John Ceisel (parent) | X | | | |
| Vicki McMannon (parent) | | | | X |
| Kathleen Andrade (parent) | X | | | |
| Gail Myers Jaffe (parent) | X | | | |
| Crystal Melto (parent) | X | | | |
| Cathy Quigley (parent) | X | | | |
| Diane Monnich (community) | | | | X |
| Meredith O'Connor (community) | X | | | |
| Robert Albritton (teacher) | | | | X |
| Nicole Flores (teacher) | X | | | |
| Barry Rodgers (principal) | X | | | |
| Cesar Monarrez (student) | | | | X |
| Vicky Andrews (staff) | X | | | |
| Total | 9 | 0 | 0 | 4 |

Motion #: 3
Motion made by: Kathleen Andrade
Seconded by: Vicky Andrews
Motion: To adjourn the LSC meeting

Record of Votes on Motion

| Council Members | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
| John Ceisel (parent) | X | | | |
| Vicki McMannon (parent) | | | | X |
| Kathleen Andrade (parent) | X | | | |
| Gail Myers Jaffe (parent) | X | | | |
| Crystal Melto (parent) | X | | | |
| Cathy Quigley (parent) | X | | | |
| Diane Monnich (community) | | | | X |
| Meredith O'Connor (community) | X | | | |
| Robert Albritton (teacher) | | | | X |
| Nicole Flores (teacher) | X | | | |
| Barry Rodgers (principal) | X | | | |
| Cesar Monarrez (student) | | | | X |
| Vicky Andrews (staff) | X | | | |
| Total | 9 | 0 | 0 | 4 |