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**Local School Council Meeting Minutes
December 12, 2013**

Commencement

The meeting was called to order at 6:44 p.m.

Present: Kathleen Andrade, Faith Spencer, Vicky Andrews, Joyce Knight, Erick Howenstine, Janet Joseph, Kelly Mest, Nicole Flores, Patrick Andrade, Kelly Zehfuss, Martha Mulligan

Absent: SueJen Chhay

Approval of Agenda

The agenda for tonight's meeting was approved (Motion #1).

Approval of Minutes

A motion carried to approve the minutes of the meeting of 11/14/13 (Motion #2).

Student Report

Three students were awarded Questbridge scholarships. The music department winter concert is coming up. Varsity mens basketball is undefeated. Computer science is now part of CPS core curriculum, and every CPS school will establish a computer science class, which will count as a math/science requirement. The all- school colloquium field trip to the Chicago History Museum went well.

Principal's Report

Mr. Benincasa has resigned his position at Northside, and so administration is interviewing for his replacement. Tom Coates is the new engineer.

A blood drive was held at the school. The dance showcase is tomorrow. The first week after winter break is spirit week, pack the gym, and the Homecoming dance on January 10.

Three students from Northside are in the final round of interviews for the CPS Student Advisory Council.

The physical education requirement looks like it will be changing beginning next year. There is no specific information yet.

A motion carried to approve Principal Mest's request for \$5,000 from FON for professional development (conferences and sub coverage) (Motion #3).

Public Comment

None.

Teacher Report

Don Yanek has been working on many initiatives relating to computer science education.

Principal Evaluation Committee Formation

All LSC members wish to participate in the Principal Evaluation Committee. Members will work on a timeline for the evaluation process for the next meeting.

Old business

The Council considered the community representative vacancy

A motion carried to seat Joseph Lee, who is a Northside alum and currently a medical student, as community representative (Motion #4).

Committee Reports

Finance – no meeting scheduled

Community Relations – no meeting scheduled

Facilities – meeting Monday, December 16 at 9:30 am

Friends of Northside Report

The Annual Appeal has brought in \$120,000 so far with 219 donors.

The next FON meeting is Jan. 21.

A discussion was held regarding Cubby Walk and how to make it successful. A suggestion was made to provide budget information that could be discussed in advisory period.

Parent Network Report

The faculty and staff holiday buffet will be on Dec. 19.

Parents met with administration with suggestions for next year's open house.

The next meeting of the Parent Network is January 9.

The co-chairs are hard at work on the Gala.

The next meeting of the LSC will be Jan. 16 at 6:30 p.m.

A motion carried to approve the standard agenda for the January meeting (Motion #5).

Adjournment (Motion #6).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Motion #: 1

Motion made by: Joyce Knight

Seconded by: Nicole Flores

Motion: To approve the agenda for the meeting

Record of Votes on Motion

Council Members	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Kathleen Andrade (parent)	X			
Suejen Chhay (parent)				X
Kelly Zehfuss (parent)	X			
Janet Joseph (parent)	X			
Erick Howenstine (parent)	X			
Faith Spencer (parent)	X			
Joyce Knight (community)	X			
Nicole Flores (teacher)	X			
Martha Mulligan (teacher)	X			
Vicky Andrews (staff)	X			
Patrick Andrade (student)	X			
Kelly Mest (principal)	X			
Total	11	0	0	1

Motion #: 2

Motion made by: Janet Joseph

Seconded by: Kelly Zehfuss

Motion: To approve the minutes of 11/14/13

Record of Votes on Motion

Council Members	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Kathleen Andrade (parent)	X			
Suejen Chhay (parent)				X
Kelly Zehfuss (parent)	X			
Janet Joseph (parent)	X			
Erick Howenstine (parent)	X			
Faith Spencer (parent)	X			
Joyce Knight (community)	X			
Nicole Flores (teacher)	X			
Martha Mulligan (teacher)	X			
Vicky Andrews (staff)	X			
Patrick Andrade (student)	X			
Kelly Mest (principal)	X			
Total	11	0	0	1

Motion #: 3

Motion made by: Eric Howenstine

Seconded by: Kelly Mest

Motion: To approve the \$5,000 request from FON

Record of Votes on Motion

Council Members	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Kathleen Andrade (parent)	X			
Suejen Chhay (parent)				X
Kelly Zehfuss (parent)	X			
Janet Joseph (parent)	X			
Erick Howenstine (parent)	X			
Faith Spencer (parent)	X			
Joyce Knight (community)	X			
Nicole Flores (teacher)	X			
Martha Mulligan (teacher)	X			
Vicky Andrews (staff)	X			
Patrick Andrade (student)	X			
Kelly Mest (principal)	X			
Total	11	0	0	1

Motion #: 4

Motion made by: Janet Joseph

Seconded by: Joyce Knight

Motion: To seat Joseph Lee as community representative

Record of Votes on Motion

Council Members	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Kathleen Andrade (parent)	X			
Suejen Chhay (parent)				X
Kelly Zehfuss (parent)	X			
Janet Joseph (parent)	X			
Erick Howenstine (parent)	X			
Faith Spencer (parent)	X			
Joyce Knight (community)	X			
Nicole Flores (teacher)	X			
Martha Mulligan (teacher)	X			
Vicky Andrews (staff)	X			
Patrick Andrade (student)	X			
Kelly Mest (principal)	X			
Total	11	0	0	1

Motion #: 5

Motion made by: Nicole Flores

Seconded by: Janet Joseph

Motion: To approve the standard agenda for the January meeting

Record of Votes on Motion

Council Members	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Kathleen Andrade (parent)	X			

Suejen Chhay (parent)				X
Kelly Zehfuss (parent)	X			
Janet Joseph (parent)	X			
Erick Howenstine (parent)	X			
Faith Spencer (parent)	X			
Joyce Knight (community)	X			
Nicole Flores (teacher)	X			
Martha Mulligan (teacher)	X			
Vicky Andrews (staff)	X			
Patrick Andrade (student)	X			
Kelly Mest (principal)	X			
Total	11	0	0	1

Motion #: 6

Motion made by: Nicole Flores

Seconded by: Vicky Andrews

Motion: To adjourn

Record of Votes on Motion

Council Members	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Kathleen Andrade (parent)	X			
Suejen Chhay (parent)				X
Kelly Zehfuss (parent)	X			
Janet Joseph (parent)	X			
Erick Howenstine (parent)	X			
Faith Spencer (parent)	X			
Joyce Knight (community)	X			
Nicole Flores (teacher)	X			
Martha Mulligan (teacher)	X			
Vicky Andrews (staff)	X			
Patrick Andrade (student)	X			
Kelly Mest (principal)	X			
Total	11	0	0	1