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Local School Council Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2013

Commencement

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m.

Present: Kathleen Andrade, Faith Spencer, Vicky Andrews, Joyce Knight, Erick Howenstine, Janet Joseph, Kelly Mest, SueJen Chhay

Absent: Nicole Flores, Patrick Andrade, Kelly Zehfuss

Approval of Agenda

The agenda for tonight's meeting was amended to include a discussion of the community representative vacancy (Motion #1).

Approval of Minutes

A motion carried to approve the minutes of the meeting of 10/15/13 (Motion #2).

Communications and Announcements

NCP received information from the CPS accountability office that it had achieved all available points on the performance measures.

Mr. Lim is coordinating the LSC elections, which will be held on April 7, 2014.

Information has been provided to LSC members regarding the LSCAB.

Principal's Report

As part of the CPS reorganization, NCP is now part of the new Network 1, and the new network chief is Anna Alvarado. On Monday Nov. 4 Principal Mest attended a reception hosted by the mayor for Level 1 schools. She has also met with Alderman O'Connor.

Dr. Murphy's last day at NCP is November 15, she will be missed. Our building engineer is also leaving. Jeff Finelli will be joining NCP as assistant principal starting Monday, November 18. A new special education teacher, Peter Kelly, has also joined the faculty.

NCP has 5 Posse scholarship finalists, and 4 students won 50 For the Future awards for talent in the area of computer science. Seven students from the Latin team attended an invitational tournament at Yale University and put in a very strong performance.

CPS is offering a new "creative school" certification based on arts programs at the school. Principal Mest is working with CPS to make sure the arts programs at NCP are understood by CPS and that NCP is ranked appropriately.

Public Comment

None.

Teacher Report

Nov. 1 and Nov. 6 were teacher development days which were teacher driven and teacher led programs that received excellent feedback.

Open house and the Halloween dance went well; report card pickup and the school play are coming up next weekend. Three teachers recently renewed national board certification.

Old business

None.

New Business

A discussion was held regarding use of the \$200 LSC stipend from CPS.

A motion carried to allocate the stipend for materials and supplies (Motion #3).

A discussion was held regarding records of closed meetings.

A motion carried to maintain the closed status of the minutes of closed meetings (Motion #4).

A discussion was held regarding the vacancy in the community representative position.

A motion carried to send information about the vacancy out by email to the school community requesting a paragraph of interest be sent to Kathleen Andrade by Dec. 6. The vacancy will be added to the agenda at the December meeting (Motion #5).

Committee Reports

Finance – no meeting scheduled

Community Relations – no meeting scheduled

Facilities – no meeting is scheduled. There are potential donors the committee may be working with to identify school needs that may fit with the donors' charitable giving.

Friends of Northside Report

The next meeting is Nov 19 at 7.

Parent Network Report

Open house attendance was down. It was the same day as Whitney Young and Lincoln. Parents have ideas about ways to make it run more smoothly next year.

The student directory looks great and is a very helpful resource for parents.

The college information panel is set for Dec. 5.

Dec 19 is the faculty and staff holiday buffet.

The next meeting of the Parent Network is Dec. 5 following the college information panel.

The next meeting of the LSC will be Dec. 13 at 6:30 p.m.

A motion carried to approve the standard agenda for the December meeting, with the additions of the community representative vacancy and the principal evaluation committee (Motion #6).

Adjournment (Motion #7).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Motion #: 1**Motion made by:** Eric Howenstine**Seconded by:** Vicky Andrews**Motion:** To amend 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	9	0	0	3

Motion #: 2**Motion made by:** Janet Joseph**Seconded by:** Joyce Knight**Motion:** To approve the minutes of 10/15/13**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	9	0	0	3

Motion #: 3**Motion made by:** Faith Spencer**Seconded by:** Vicky Andrews**Motion:** To allocate the LSC stipend to materials and supplies

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	9	0	0	3

Motion #: 4

Motion made by: Faith Spencer

Seconded by: Joyce Knight

Motion: To maintain the closed status of closed meeting minutes

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	9	0	0	3

Motion #: 5

Motion made by: Janet Joseph

Seconded by: Martha Mulligan

Motion: To request a paragraph of interest in the community representative vacancy be submitted by Dec. 6

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	9	0	0	3

Motion #: 6

Motion made by: Vicky Andrews

Seconded by: Kelly Mest

Motion: To approve the standard agenda, and include community representative vacancy and principal evaluation committee

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	9	0	0	3

Motion #: 7

Motion made by: Vicky Andrews

Seconded by: Janet Joseph

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	9	0	0	3