

Burley Local School Council: Meeting Minutes for January 18th, 2017

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6.06pm.

Roll Call

Present: Carolyn Skibba, Esme Borrero, Robert Blitstein, Mike Mitchell, Catherine Plocher, Melissa Schroeder, Laurie P Barry, Rebecca Armatis-Furr, Noelle Peacock, Esme Borrero

Absent: Liz Wiedegreen, Marissa J Maples

Approval of Minutes

The council reviewed December LSC minutes. Melissa Schroeder moved to approve the December minutes. Bob Blitstein seconded. All voted in favor.

Fundraising Proposals

One fundraising proposal was presented to the council, Book Bash which will take place on February 28th. The fundraising will include selling books from the authors attending. The net profit is projected to be \$0

Noelle Peacock motioned to approve the proposal. Esme Borrero seconded. All voted in favor.

Technology Report

Carolyn Skibba presented the technology report and discussed the continuous review of equipment within the school. Some iPads are running slowly and are showing age. Chrome books are yet to be assessed however it is expected that most will need to be replaced. More information will be provided at the next meeting.

Principal Report

Principal Plocher reported the school news and updates.

- Holiday Hoopla was a big success with a special visit from the Chicago Cubs and a \$10,000 donation
- Successful 7th grade camping trip to Camp McLean in Wisconsin took place
- Human reproductive classes started on Jan 17th for 5th-8th grade
- Ms. Manata secured a grant from the creative schools fund and Hubbard Street Dance will be returning to Burley for K-2nd grade
- Pollinator grant submitted on Jan 17th to help secure funding for a pollination habitat
- Planning for a solar energy grant underway –due in 3-4 weeks
- Winter MAP testing currently underway. Due to be completed by Jan 20th



- Book Bash happening of Feb 28th with Kwame Alexander confirmed
- Career Day scheduled for Jan 27th
- Coffee talk with Principal scheduled for Jan 20^{th.}
- Professional development day scheduled for Feb 3rd has been cancelled due to furlough being imposed on CPS teachers

Continuous Improvement Work Plan

Teachers as readers program is continuing to run. Science and social studies is the focus this year and a new text was started this month "Social Studies That Sticks"

Monthly Financials

Ms. Plocher provided and overview of the current funds in the 353, 225 and 115 lines and the Internal Accounts.

There were no transfers approve this month and little movement within the accounts. Towards the end of February all of the adjustments should be complete.

The Cubs donation has been deposited however is not yet showing in internal accounts

Chair Report

Sara Suh is leaving the LSC and CPS in a career change. An official staff election to fill her spot on the council will take place in the coming weeks. Laurie confirmed to the council that if you completed your LSC training within the 2014-2016 term your training is up to date and current.

Closing of Meeting¹

Esme Borerro motioned to adjourn at 7.10pm, Rebecca Armatis-Furr seconded. All voted in favor.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday February 15th at 6pm.

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