



Burley Local School Council Meeting Minutes December 18, 2019

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:11 pm.

Roll Call:

Present: Stephen Soltanzadeh, Catherine Plocher, Mary Renouard, Amy Walsh, Carolyn Skibba, Laurie Barry, Rebecca Armatis-Furr

Absent: Liz Wiedegreen, Bob Blitstein, Teresa Merritt, Blanca Fernandez

Approval of Minutes:

The Council reviewed the November 2019 LSC minutes. Mary Renouard motioned to approve the minutes with corrections. Rebecca Armatis-Furr seconded. All voted in favor.

Principal's Report:

The Book Fair was very successful.

On Friday, December 13th 8th grade high school applications were due.

The 8th grade had a science fair on December 17th.

School picture orders were due December 17th.

Holiday Hoopla is December 19. And the 7th + 8th grade dance is December 20.

Last day of clubs was Friday, December 13th. Spring club packets have gone out and will start after winter break.

Basketball has started. 7th + 8th grade boys have already been in a tournament and the regular season begins in January.

MAP testing assessment will start in mid-January. These tests results aren't sent home, they are a mid year temperature check for teachers and for students to get comfortable with assessments. There is a math and reading test for all 2nd - 8th grade students.

Starting in January, Ms. Plocher will present the CIWP for 2018 - 2020 to the LSC. She will begin with an overview and for the next 4 months, she'll report on one part of the CIWP.



Financial Report

The new teacher contract adjustments haven't adjusted yet so Ms. Plocher is conservative with her budget until the end of February.

Burley received an email from the District regarding money that Ms. Plocher should spend on ELL materials soon.

Ms. Plocher proposed to move \$1311.09 from instructional supplies and \$1238.91 to instructional materials. To cover substitutes for Mr. Renfro's classes, she also proposed moving \$705.25 from ELL to ELL supplies.

Carolyn Skibba motioned to approve the transfer. Amy Walsh seconded. All voted in favor. Transfer approved.

Chair Report:

The Chairman reminded the LSC we have a community representative vacancy. The LSC received applications from Rob Moon and Emma Peterson. A vote will happen during the closed session.

The deadline for the principal contract (which is renewed every 4 years) renewal is February 1, 2020. The LSC has to submit an evaluation score into the system by February 1, 2020.

The LSC has no say in the new principal contract terms, the LSC has an up or down vote on the principal's renewal.

The Chairman will send an email to the LSC to see who is interested in joining the committee to work on the principal contract renewal process.

Public Comment

A Burley parent wanted to learn more about the after school programs offered and how they are funded. Ms. Plocher explained she and Ms. Nash apply for a \$19,000 grant each year to OST/CPS. They have to write one each year, have to be accepted and Burley has been accepted last number of years. Because of this funding a large number of clubs are subsidized by this grant.

This funding extends clubs further into the semester and pays for supplies and materials. Burley does negotiate rates with outside clubs to get the lowest cost possible to make it most affordable for families. Burley does not charge a leasing fee like some schools do as an additional revenue stream. Burley is not making any money on these clubs.



The parent was also curious how Burley selects outside clubs. Ms. Plocher explained their vetting process, learning what the group's curriculum is, working within the community, soliciting parent feedback, etc.

Closed session

There was a closed session that started at 7:07pm to vote on the LSC community representative vacancy. The meeting reopened at 7:32pm.

Closing of meeting

At 7:33 Laurie Barry motioned to adjourn the meeting. Amy Walsh seconded. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting

Next meeting is Wednesday, January 22 at 6pm.