

Cleveland Local School Council- In-Person Meeting #8  
**April 21, 2022**

*Members in attendance*

Present: Principal Ward, Kristine Stanton, Esperanza Leon, Pam Tivers, David Yuknis-Danny Scott, Jennifer Wilson, Salvador Gutierrez, Yuditd Cuenca- *remote*,

*Absent:* Jason Ruiz,

*Resigned:* Rob Castrejon- Community Member

*LSC Vacancy:* 2 Community

*9/12 Members Present- 8/12 for a Quorum 8 members-In-Person-1- Members Remote, 2-Absent*

**Roll Call:** The meeting called to order at 5:32 p.m. by Jennifer Wilson.

**Review:**

- Chair asked for motion to approve the April agenda: Esperanza Leon motioned 1<sup>st</sup> and Salvador Gutierrez 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.
- Chair asked for a motion to approve the April Regular meeting minutes Danny Scott motioned 1<sup>st</sup> and Esperanza Leon 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.
- Chair asked for a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes Danny Scott motioned 1<sup>st</sup> and Kristine Stanton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

**LSC Committee Reports:**

- Chair Report
  - Recognized Autism Awareness Month
  - Arab American Heritage Month
- Bilingual Advisory Committee (BAC)
  - Ordered book- Grandfather's Journey for a book study, April 28<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am.
  - May 27<sup>th</sup>- Bullying Workshop
- Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)
  - Read a thon has 20% of kids signed up and has raised \$2700 so far.
  - Construction is set to last 2 years.
  - Requested the print out of club info and contact update forms for report card pick up and we have at least some PAC coverage.
  - Copies of Sincerely, your Autistic Child are available to borrow.
  - April 30th at 10 AM is our next spring fitness class. It coincides with "Dia Del Nino" and we appropriated funds for snacks and hope to collaborate with the BAC.
- Professional Personnel Leadership Committee (PPLC)
  - Meeting was virtually on 4/21 @3:15 pm.
- CIWP
  - Attendance Committee
  - MTSS Committee

- Personalized Learning Committee
- Communications Committee
- Special Education
  - 1 Sped teacher is leaving on Friday, April 22.
  - Still looking to fill positions on maternity leave.
- Friends of Cleveland (FOC)
  - Coco & Colors on April 7<sup>th</sup> went well. 36 kids showed up for the activity.
  - Ball/Net Stops installed over Spring Break. Would like to add a set on Albany side.
  - Music Residency with Old Town School of Folk Music will begin on Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> and will run 8 weeks in the classrooms.
  - Celebrate Cleveland will be held at Trigger on 5/14.
- Communications Committee
  - Next meeting in June. TBD
  - Tables were set up on report card pickup for all the various groups- BAC, PAC and FOC.
  - Planning for next year:
    - Open House for parents, new/perspective parents to familiarize them with the school.
    - Newsletters from classroom teachers.
- Safety Committee:
  - Safety Committee will meet every 2 weeks.

### **Principal Report:**

- **Expressions of Gratitude:** Teacher, Staff, Parent, Community, and Student Shout-Outs
  - Thank you to the FOC for the soccer netting
  - Thank you to the FOC for the Art event
  - Thank you to student council for the door decorating
  - Thank you to Ms. Stanton for running the After School program and the LSC election
- **Competency A-** Champions teacher and staff excellence through a focus on continuous improvement in development to develop and achieve the vision of high expectations for all students
  - We meet with various stakeholders to discuss the CIWP. The priorities will remain the same however; we discussed some differences in action steps.
  - All monies from this year's budget must be spent down by the end of May. We have additional funds in salaries lines because of the 5day work stoppage.
- **Competency B-** Creates powerful professional learning systems to guarantee learning for all students
  - REACH teacher evaluations are on track. We have finished the second cycle.
  - All testing is complete.

- The kindergarten teachers will be attending an Orton-Gillingham training in May.
- **Competency C-** Build a culture focused on college and career readiness
  - High school notification sent out to 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.
  - Thursday and Friday middle school classrooms will focus on 4<sup>th</sup> quarter student goal.
- **Competency D-**Empowers and motivates families and community to become engaged
  - Pre-K registration is open
  - Read-A- thon is in the works
  - Construction is on schedule. The project will take at least two years to complete.
- **Competency E-**Relentlessly pursues self-disciplined thinking and actions
  - April 30<sup>th</sup>, Cleveland will light it up blue for autism awareness day.

### **Financial Review Monthly Report**

- Internal Accounts documents attached for review. No changes in the past 30 days.

### **Public Comment: 3-Comments on the Google Form-**

- Google Form Comment: 3 submissions.
- Public Comments signup-no one signed up.
  - Q1: *What are the Specials for next year?*  
A: PE, Art, Technology, and we will look for a music teacher for next year 22-23SY.
  - Q2: *A parent asked a question about the Read-A-Thon Disney Trip that was sent Out by admin. What does this trip to Disney entail?*  
A: This is a nationwide incentive from the Read-A-Thon corporation. This is not A Disney Trip sponsored by the school.
  - Q3: *Why are parents not notified of improvements being made by the school- Especially those made by the FOC?*  
A: It is in Friday's newsletter. Mr. Staszczak did acknowledge it during Monday morning's announcements. Additionally, information regarding the new improvements and thanking the FOC was sent home in the Report Card Happenings Newsletter with the Old Town School of Folk Music Program. The FOC also shared the information on their website.

### **Old Business:**

- a. **LSC Community Vacancy**
  - LSC Community Vacancy-no applications.
  - Community Vacancy publication will remain open until June 30, 2022.
  - There are currently 2 vacancies for Community. Will update letter and post.
  - Ms. Ward did reach out to the Alderwoman's office and The North River Commission. Ms. Ward has a meeting on Monday with the Alderwoman.
  - UPS Store has made some yard signs to share in the community highlighting the 2 Community openings.
- b. **Fundraising Proposal:**
  - Proposal #1-Nacho Sale-Autism Awareness Fundraiser-** Funds raised will be used towards Cluster Program incentives.

**VOTE: Nacho Sale-Autism Awareness Fundraiser:** 8 yes votes/2 absent/1 remote -  
Vote is hereby accepted.

Mr. Yuknis-Yes Ms. Ward-Yes Mr. Scott-Yes

Ms. Wilson-Yes Ms. Tivers- Yes

Ms. Stanton-Yes Mrs. Leon-Yes Mr. Gutierrez-Yes

**Proposal #2-8<sup>th</sup> Popcorn Sale-Autism Awareness Fundraiser-** Funds raised will be  
used towards Cluster Program incentives.

**VOTE: Popcorn Sale-Autism Awareness Fundraiser:** 8 yes votes/2 absent/1 remote -  
Vote is hereby accepted.

Mr. Yuknis-Yes Ms. Ward-Yes Mr. Scott-Yes

Ms. Wilson-Yes Ms. Tivers- Yes

Ms. Stanton-Yes Mrs. Leon-Yes Mr. Gutierrez-Yes

**Proposal #1-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Staff Vs. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Soccer Game Fundraiser-** Funds raised will  
be used towards 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip costs. Selling of snacks.

**VOTE: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Soccer Game Fundraiser:** 8 yes votes/2 absent/1 remote -Vote is  
hereby accepted.

Mr. Yuknis-Yes Ms. Ward-Yes Mr. Scott-Yes

Ms. Wilson-Yes Ms. Tivers- Yes

Ms. Stanton-Yes Mrs. Leon-Yes Mr. Gutierrez-Yes

**c. Principal Evaluation-**

- Principal Evaluation is due by May 30<sup>th</sup>.
- *The chair asked for a motion to move to a Closed Session so the members of the LSC could meet and discuss the Principal Evaluation for Ms. Ward.*
- A motion was made by Salvador Gutierrez and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Danny Scott. All present LSC members moved to a closed session @6:15 pm.
- *Chair asked for a motion to reconvene the regular LSC Meeting @7:00 pm.*
- A motion was made by Danny Scott and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Salvador Gutierrez.
- *Chair asked for a motion to approve the Principal's Evaluation that was discussed in Closed Session.*
- A motion was made by David Yuknis and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Salvador Gutierrez.

**Principal Evaluation Closed Session Vote:**

Mr. Yuknis-Yes Mr. Scott-Yes

Ms. Wilson-Yes Ms. Tivers- Yes

Ms. Stanton-Yes Mrs. Leon-Yes Mr. Gutierrez-Yes

Motion to approve the closed session Principal Evaluation for the 2021-2022 SY  
hereby carries 7 yes/0 no/1 abstain/ 2 absent/1 remote

**d. Budget Transfer-**

- None

**New Business:**

**e. LSC Election Results Certification**

- Chair asked for a motion to approve the Certification of LSC Election results from April 20, 2022.
- **Parent Candidate Vote Totals:**
  - David Yuknis-22
  - Yuditd Cuenca-22
  - Jason Rappold-20
  - Meredith Taylor-37
  - Salvador Gutierrez-29
  - Olga Cruz-35

**Community: NONE**

**Teacher Candidate Vote totals:**

- Ms. Stanton-20 Votes
- Mrs. Calbert- 21 Votes

**Non-Teaching Staff Vote Totals:**

- Esperanza Leon-23 Votes

**Student Candidate Vote totals:**

- Zianya Pena- 225 votes

**Certification for LSC Election Results Vote:**

Mr. Yuknis-Yes Ms. Ward-Yes Mr. Scott-Yes

Ms. Wilson-Yes Ms. Tivers- Yes

Ms. Stanton-Yes Mrs. Leon-Yes Mr. Gutierrez-Yes

Motion to certify the 2022 LSC Election Results hereby carries 8 yes/0 no/0 abstain/ 2 absent/1 remote

**Adjournment:** Esperanza Leon moved to adjourn the meeting and Pam Tivers seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

**Next LSC Meeting –May 19-, 2022 @5:30 PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month)**

Respectfully submitted,  
Kristine M. Stanton  
LSC Secretary