

Cleveland Local School Council- In-Person Meeting **SPECIAL MEETING-BUDGET**
April 4, 2022

Members in attendance

Present: Principal Ward, Kristine Stanton, Esperanza Leon, Pam Tivers, David Yuknis, Danny Scott, Jennifer Wilson, Salvador Gutierrez,

Absent: Yuditd Cuenca, Jason Ruiz, Rob Casterjon,

LSC Vacancy: 1 Community

8/12 Members Present- 8/12 for a Quorum 8 members-In-Person-0- Members Remote-3 Absent

Roll Call: The meeting called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Jennifer Wilson.

Review:

- Chair asked for motion to approve the Special Meeting agenda: Esperanza Leon motioned 1st and Danny Scott 2nd the motion.
- Chair asked for a motion to approve the Special Meeting (3/22/22) minutes Esperanza Leon motioned 1st and Danny Scott 2nd the motion.

Public Comments

- Google Form Comment: 4 comments on form/submissions.
- Public Comment submitted:
 1. Parent inquiring as to when the Music Class will begin. Stated they are disappointed that it has not happened –year is almost over and students are looking forward to it.
 - A. Old Town Music Program scheduled to start in the 4th quarter on Mondays. This program sponsored by the FOC.
 2. Parent-Alicia asked when will it take place and will special education students be included. CEO-mentioned music was good for all kids.
 - A. All diverse learners will be included. This program is for all Cleveland students. Additionally, Red Kite contacted but they have no openings this year and will work again with us next school year. This program is for our DL population.
 3. Parent- Alicia asked why there was no acknowledgement of Autism Awareness Month (April). Stated she sent an email last year asking about this as well and did not receive a response. What about other months of awareness-like Downs Syndrome?
 - A. The teachers who usually run the Light it Up Blue/Autism Awareness Month Campaign are out on maternity leave. The school does address diversity through SEL as well as teachers included lessons on diversity within their own classrooms.

4. Parent-Alicia inquired if a school knows that a teacher will be on maternity leave-why are subs not in place? It is stressful for parents of a special needs student as well as the student themselves-structure has changed for them.
- A. Once a teacher applies for a maternity leave (4-6 weeks before actual due date) then school can post an opening. Prior to that school cannot due to legalities within in the labor laws. School is working with CPS to find subs but there are no subs-nor a pool of special education teachers. There is currently a shortage of and this is citywide. We have 3 positions posted and no applicants. Looking to redeploy lower caseload special ed teachers to cover 2 of the maternity leaves. Caseloads will be shifted to other sped teachers to cover.

Old Business:

a. Fundraising Proposal:

1. Read A Thon-Sponsored by the office with a parent helper.

Proposal #1-Read A Thon Fundraiser- Funds raised will be used to purchase books for a 3 mini libraries at the end of each floor. Propose to raise 10k minus-2500-expenses = total profit \$7500.

VOTE: Read A Thon Fundraiser: 8 yes votes/3 absent -Vote is hereby accepted.

Ms. Ward-Yes Mr. Scott-Yes
 Ms. Wilson-Yes Ms. Tivers- Yes Mr. Yuknis-Yes
 Ms. Stanton-Yes Mrs. Leon-Yes Mr. Gutierrez-Yes

b. Principal Evaluation Surveys-

- Proposing to send out early –before spring break and send a reminder during spring break.
- Will send a copy home with students
- Share a google form –ALL SURVEYS ARE ANYNOMOUS
- Have box available at Main Door for parents and community to personally drop off survey.

c. LSC Community Vacancy

- LSC Community Vacancy-Still open-no applications.
- Community Vacancy publication will remain open until June 30, 2022.
- Yard Signs to to advertise community vacancy.

New Business:

○ **BUDGET-22-23 SY:**

- I. Ms. Ward presented the Budget for the 2022-2023 SY. Stated that we are in better shape than last year. Lost 20k for due to declining enrollment, however we are projected to have higher enrollment numbers next SY.
- II. Lost 2 Special Education teachers and 2 aides/SECA's, however 2 special education teachers are retiring this year and 1 special ed teacher moved to gen education.-this saved cuts. 2 para's are moving to teacher residency program. 1 is resigning.
- III. Downtown (CPS) has given us 2 new positions for next school year- A Dual Language Coordinator and a full time Interventionist.
- IV. 4 Preps next year-Tech, Art, Gym and Music.

- V. Total cost of staffing is \$7 Million dollars.
- VI. Buckets: Recess bucket opened for \$15 K, Security Bucket \$25k (this is provided by Downtown-Office of Safety and Security) and school office assistant-attendance. Reading Support bucket \$5K and a summer bucket.
- VII. Balance left was \$176k for supplies and instruction, which is \$150k more than last year.
- VIII. In May we will look at available budget lines to redistribute, them in order to purchase for next year (use it or lose it lines).
- Motion by Danny Scott and seconded by David Yuknis to vote on the 22-23 School Budget.

VOTE: School Budget for the 22-23 SY:

8 yes votes/3 absent/0 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

Motion Carries- School Budget for the 22-23SY is hereby approved.

- **OMA-** Reminder that the site is now up and running. If you have not completed your Open Meetings Act training please do so and send a copy of completion to Ms. Stanton.
- Additionally, any time a discussion involves 4 LSC members outside of regular LSC –a meeting should take place per the OMA.
-

Adjournment: Esperanza Leon moved to adjourn the meeting and Kristine Stanton seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Next LSC Meeting –April 21, 2022 @5:30 PM (3rd Thursday of each month)

Respectfully submitted,
 Kristine M. Stanton
 LSC Secretary