

Newberry Academy of Math and Science

Local School Council

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date:	18 September 2017	Attendees:	Edward Collins, Assistant Principal Linda Foley, Principal Jasmine Alexander, Parent Rep Chris McGuire, Parent Rep Pat Cullen, Community Rep Kathleen Haggerty, Community Rep Gladys Hansen-Guerra, Parent Rep Viki Gullo, Non-Teacher Rep Lydia Murray, Parent Rep Cindy Wahtola, Parent Charles Wahtola, Parent Anna Rimlinger: Erie Neighborhood House
Next Meeting Date:	16 October 2017		

Item No.	Description
2017-09-18.01	<p>The meeting convened at 6:35.</p> <p>Introductions were made.</p> <p>Public Comment: Anna Rimlinger gave a brief presentation about the Erie Neighborhood House. She is interested in speaking to parents about their workforce program. They help adults find good-paying jobs in categories like healthcare and logistics.</p> <p>They will provide materials so that Newberry can send them home in their backpacks. WE will also post about it on the Newberry website, as well as discuss options to offer through FON, Bilingual PAC and Title 1 PAC to see how they may be able to assist.</p>
2017-09-18.02	<p>Review and Approval of Minutes from July Meeting Linda Foley Moved to approve the minutes Gladys Hansen-Guerra second Minutes approved</p> <p>Charles “Cully” Wahtola is interested in filling the vacancy on the LSC. He grew up in public schools and wants to support the school that both their children go to.</p> <p>Gladys Hansen-Guerra moved to approve Pat Cullen seconds Cully is now a member of the counsel</p>
2017-09-18.03	LSC Training

2017-09-18.04

Principal's Report

Competency A: Champions teachers and staff

- Attended Network 4 Principal and AP meeting. William Klee is the new chief and is currently being on-boarded. They had done lots of interviewing for the vacancies which included two Diverse Learner position and 1 Upper Grade Science teacher. Feedback has been very positive for the Upper Grade Science Teacher. Josh Greenburg is leading the Math Leadership group for the Network and the new Science teacher Mr. Troher is the leader of the Science leadership for the Network. They have also interviewed and hired a retired teacher to come on board to work with upper grades in reading and math to address need for interventions in the middle school.
- We need to do a REACH evaluation process. In Newberry there are teacher leaders to review the materials.
- Had a meeting with Leader In Me, now in our 3rd year which is exciting as we have really made great strides.
- Attended first Gust Foundation meeting. The Gust Foundation is geared towards supporting education for diverse learners such as autistic children in public schools. The goal is to welcome all children and provide them with what they need. They have chosen Newberry as a school to support. 6 teams of teachers with Special Ed and Gen Ed teachers. Linda's goal is to have as many kids as possible in inclusion. They need to be with their peers, being exposed to the same content. This foundation will help us feel more confident about decisions and change our perspective on how we can support these children.
- PPLC and PPC meeting to talk about expectations for school culture. 2 areas that were most concerned about. The amount of feedback given outside of evaluation and discipline.

Competency B:

- Talked about the positive behavior plans. Cardiff added Donors Choose to fund things to keep children engaged with the Bobcat Store.
- Held Leader in Me sessions at the school and had teachers visit from surrounding schools visit to learn about the program.
- 8th Grade Leadership Retreat left today. All of the children went except for 3 because of parents choice. We were able to fund trips for all kids who wanted to go. A lot team building activities.

Competency C:

- Looking for ways to incorporate college and career readiness. Leader in Me has been really helpful to get kids prepared. Looking at how this program can help focus on this area.
- Sent out invitations for schoolwide leadership positions. These are for job such as managing the Popcorn Fridays, and creating videos about Leader In Me.
- Ed has looked to have local colleges come and visit us or have kids go visit the schools.
- Linda was made aware that some schools send out letters to counselors at different colleges to donate stuff from their book store to Title 1 Schools.
- Ms. Corbiere had meeting tonight about the High School process.

Competency D:

- Friends of Newberry has made a commitment to fund the Steam lab.
- New Parent Orientation was well attended. So well attended that they we have ideas on how to make the most of it next year.
- Returning Families packet pick up was also very successful.
- Ice cream social was very well attended.
- First FON meeting was held.
- First Popcorn Friday last week.
- Band started today.

Competency E:

- Emerald City Theater Camp has committed to coming back again next year. The process worked well with the camp.
- Linda Foley is mentoring the principal at Skinner North.
- There is going to be a water main replacement program in the next week or two. No parking on Willow so buses will not be able to queue in the same place. But there will be new areas allocated for them. Letters are going out to parents.

<p>2017-09-18.05</p>	<p>Budget July Internal Accounts and August internal Accounts were reviewed at the meeting. There were no book transfers in July There were transfers to fund the STEAM Lab There were also transfers for the Leader In Me commitment packet and Study Island Purchased the Lead Journals and Study Island Commitment</p> <p>We have Reading Eggs and Study Island again this year.</p> <p>We have identified our “Wildly Important Goals” 97% Attendance Increase achievement in Reading and Math through Study Island. Teachers will sit with students to set goals and track usage of the tools. There were position adjustments.</p> <p>All transfers were approved through electronic votes.</p> <p>Mrs. Brand takes her class to see an evening show downtown which this year is “Wicked”. She has asked for a fundraiser for 6th Grade. Her proposal is to sell Affy Tapple to raise money. There will also be a school sale. Selling price is \$2 to make \$8200 in revenue with \$3,266 of cost and recognize a profit of nearly \$5000. These fund will be used to offset the cost for buses and tickets. We have suggested that the schools sales be the week of Halloween and home sales in November. Linda Foley Moved to approve Cully Wathtola seconded Motion passed.</p> <p>Our projected enrollment vs. actual so far. K-3 projected was 224 with \$4,590, per pupil. As of today we have 216. Difference of \$36,720. 4-8 projected 333 per pupil allocation was \$4,290. We are at 330. Difference is \$12,870 K-3 LRE 3 – Projected 2 with \$1,836 per pupil and we have 1 and therefore short 1 4-8 LRE 3 - Projected 2 with \$1,716 per pupil and we have 3, so up one. We are about \$50,000 short on budget, but waiting to hear from CPS what we are asked to do. We are also waiting to see the results of the 20th day enrollment.</p> <p>The church plans on leaving us after October which will further strain the finances of the school and we will have to make some difficult choices this year.</p>
<p>2017-09-18.06</p>	<p>Buildings and Grounds</p> <p>Summer cleaning was acceptable. School was ready.</p> <p>If teachers need to clean their own rooms, there can be a union grievance against Aaramark.</p> <p>Over the summer there was a rat issue under the play lot. We had some help getting some rodent control. The biggest area of concern were the waste receptacles, do not close and that is feeding the rats. The other area was the back of the building with the peace pole and tons of rat holes.</p>
<p>2017-09-18.07</p>	<p>Friends of Newberry/PTO</p> <p>FON is getting focused on fundraising. Looking to do matches with the school. Looking for corporate sponsors. Bobcat Tailgate Party. Staff needs to get behind these events. Want to make \$50,000 this year. Need to identify how we are going to spend the money.</p>
<p>2017-09-18.08</p>	<p>Personnel Advisory 2 new Diverse Learner teachers: Christy Storto and Rachel House 1 New Upper Grade Science Teacher: Rob Troher 1 New Engineer: Tim Bogdell</p> <p>We changed from a tuition based pre-school to a pre-school for all. As a result we lost an assistant. The decision was made to close one of our teacher assistant positions which will impact Mr. Rivera, our technology assistant.</p>

2017-09-18.09	Communication/Technology Twitter has started Using CPS Blackboard system to send emails Looking into purchasing a Chromebook cart, but pending budget confirmation. Linda sends weekly staff bulletins through google drive. There are a couple of Smartboards that need to be fixed. Website calendar is updated through November. Tuesday Newsday is back on.
2017-09-18.10	PPLC Met last week. Staff development
2017-09-18.11	Principal Evaluation Need to start working on principal evaluation because it is a contract year. We need have it completed by February.. In years past we did a survey of parents at report card pick-up which the LSC intends to do again.
2017-09-18.12	Bilingual Advisory Committee Mr. Barerra moved to the suburbs over the summer. So we lost the chair of the Committee. Jamie Reese is looking at getting Language Stars to come back. Currently it is an after school option.
2017-09-18.13	Least Restrictive Environment Have been selected by the Gust Foundation to better understand how to support these children.
2017-09-18.14	Title 1 Advisory Have not met yet.
2017-09-18.15	Linda moved to Adjourn. Jasmine Seconded Meeting Adjourned at 8:48.

The foregoing constitutes our understanding of matters discussed and conclusions reached. Other participants are requested to review these items and advise the originator in writing of any errors or omissions.