

February 6, 2023 - Regular Meeting

Monday, January 9, 2023 9:24 PM

Agenda Start at 6:30pm

Roll Call

Principal:

Chris Munns

Parent Reps:

Katrina Ramos (Chair)

Deepak Bapu

Stephen Couper

Christina Tassone

Robert Szczesniak (Secretary)

Lori Hoagland

Teacher and Staff Rep

Mary McKenna

Kaitlin Murphy

Lara Oweimrin

Community Reps

Elaine Fitzgerald (Vice Chair)

Tom Pikarski (FOIA Officer)

Student Rep

Isabella Mendez

Community Attendees

Sean Kennedy

Adam Roberts - Alderman Nugent's office

Antwanette Turner - CPS Crossing Guard Supervisor

Ariel Parrella - Block Club

Carl Schwarzer - Assistant Traffic Control Engineer CDOT

Crystal Carrington - CPS Crossing Guard Manager

Ilana Arougheti - Sun Times

Jakob Boxburger

Lisa Schuller

Maria Sopena

Megan Chung

Rich Hoagland

Sam Nugent - Alderman

Samantha Brewer

Bryan Beeh

Anita N

Abigail Factor

Ram Villivalam - State Senator

Teresa Court

1. Call to Order - 6:30PM
2. Roll Call - By attendance list of meeting
3. Approval of Agenda - Approved Bapu
-Remove agenda item for budget transfer, it is not needed at this time
4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes - January 9, 2023 (Regular Meeting) - Approved X/Y
5. Reports
 1. Safety
 - a. Sam Nugent introduction
 - b. See questions and notes below
 - c. Alderman's next steps - see results of CPS Crossing Guard review and CDOT/IDOT review before moving to next steps for infrastructure moves.
 - d. Senator Ram - intends to discuss with IDOT.
 2. Budget

- a. Looking at the current budget and making purchases for next year; using existing budgets and expect will request account transfer in future
 - 3. Annex
 - a. Renumbering to provide complete overall label system. Upgrading phone/intercom systems.
 - b. Estimated June 1st occupancy
 - 4. PTO
 - a. Billiards night - Feb 2 - well attended
 - b. Spring Benefit - March 11 - 50% sold; at or above rate expected at this time.
 - 5. Principal Report -
 - a. See Report for PTO announcements - raffle tickets, baskets, art projects, etc.
 - b. Competency A - Completed goals, working on action steps, using data from Star360 screener
 - i. March 1 - Freckle subscription starts and there will be newsletter introduction and information
 - c. Rigor Walk explained
 - d. Competency D - Safety Committee - Flags, positive feedback and continue program
 - e. Competency E - 5 essentials student survey 4th-8th. Will be in newsletter and also publicly searchable.
 - 6. Student Report
 - a. Coming election for new student representative starting July.
6. Regular Business
- a. Receipts and Expenditures - None reported at this time
 - b. School Usage
 - i. Sauganash Community Association - May 16, 2023 7PM - Approved - Couper/Tassone
7. Old Business - None
8. New Business - None
9. Public Comment - None
10. Approve Agenda for next Meeting
11. Set Next Meeting Date - Monday March 13, 2023
12. Adjourn - 8:03PM - Pikarski/Couper

Questions for CDOT, Alderman, and CPS guests. Submitted in advance and discussed as follows:

- What is restricting available signal options or systems?
 - o Peterson is under IDOT jurisdiction. CDOT is responsible for maintenance, IDOT required approval for signage/signal changes. (Carl). Pedestrian Flashing lights - recent procedural changes ease this installation. However, poor sight lines on this route (trees, light poles, setback) make this a difficult placement. Tree removal and other major modifications required. Cicero proximity another likely complication. Flashing speed signs or other flashing lights has driver distraction consideration. Other considered signs included in traffic study report.
- Speed camera data - availability and impact on traffic control requests?
 - o Camera managed by other groups. Per state law - only citations during school hours with children present. Some example sample data that was collected by CDOT - 85th percentile speed - 22mph (meaning 85% of vehicles are travelling at 22mph or less). Both directions during school operation times.
- Speed camera data - if proves high frequency of traffic violations - does this support funding options or solutions available?
 - o CDOT to research number of citations; share if possible with Mrs. Munns to distribute. Citations should be issued at 26mph during school operations time. Unlikely to change funding options because that is typically based on the 85th percentile data.
- Speed camera data - any conclusions from school-time specific? 0745-0815 or 1445-1515.
 - o See previous discussion. CDOT conclusion is that there is not a speeding issue, meaning that further speed restrictions or enforcement are not expected to have a measurable effect.
- What are minimum thresholds for stop sign or stop light?
 - o IDOT procedures needed to implement. All streets required to have minimum car count - unlikely with the side streets. Proximity to signals at Forest Glen and Cicero make this option difficult to justify. Could require \$750k or more. Signals are not intended to be safety or speed control measures - they are for controlling flow.

- Source of crash data cited in report? Confirm that no pedestrian incidents and/or how to confirm.
 - o CDOT crash data pulled from Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS). This is searchable by location and type of incident. This data is sourced from police reports. Not possible to document incidents that are not reported.
- What are minimum requirements for crossing guard station at Kilpatrick?
 - o Addressed as part of other crossing guard discussion.
- Number of crossing guards? How is that determined?
 - o Due to budget constraints there are no new postings available. Request is put on the list, but nothing available at this time. In March new review and budgeting starts. Only elementary schools are supported by this agency and not all elementary schools have crossing guards. Crossing guards are not traffic control! - intended to be supervision and support of pedestrian traffic.
- Safety parameters for crossing guard?
 - o The office doesn't want to put a crossing guard at Kilpatrick due to the traffic flows and controls. Past crossing guards have reported unsafe conditions and posting was reassigned to Forest Glen. Recommendation is to cross at Forest Glen or Cicero. Reiterate that crossing guards are not traffic control devices and are not expected to stop or control vehicles at uncontrolled intersections.
- Does funding source for pedestrian island at Kilpatrick change if lack of installation at original construction is determine to be an oversight? Not discussed
- Would student/parent poll about walking to school be usable data? What would be usable data set? Not discussed
- Any possibility of increased enforcement of cross-walk rules at Kilpatrick?
 - o Signage opportunities are limited and no specific plan to be able to increase enforcement. Have requested at CAPS meetings. Nugent recommends increasing neighborhood attendance at CAPS meeting to raise awareness. (Munns) Officers typically deployed to high schools (larger populations). Manpower is very limited.
- Kilpatrick is labeled school cross walk - does that provide additional resources?
 - o Crosswalk striping is different and tickets are different, but not other options.
- See comparison articles for other installations - 47th ward on Irving Park and IDOT/CDOT implementation streamlining. This is about streamlining process and not specifically about allowing this type of specific signage or signaling.