

Notice of Regular Meeting / Sauganash Local School Council

Notice is Hereby Given that the LSC has scheduled a regular meeting of the LSC to begin at 6:30pm on September 28, 2015 at Sauganash School in Art Room 104.

The Agenda of the meeting is as follows:

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:35

1. Roll Call Members Present: Liz Piper, Elaine Fitzgerald, Chris Munns, Maureen Mackin, Mike Lovell, Dennis Hammer, Marikay Hegarty, Pam Sheehan, Costa Lallas, Gene Wisniewski, Richard Rodriguez Members Absent: Deanna Kelly, Gene Wisniewski
2. Approval of Agenda: A motion was made to approve the agenda as written. The motion was seconded and approved by voice vote, all in favor
3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting: A motion was made to approve the minutes from the July meeting. The motion was seconded and approved by voice vote, all in favor.
4. Announcements /Introduction of Guests: The following guests attended the meeting: Marcia Shapiro, Candace Sukalski, Sarah Jamison, Beth Cerny Patino, Vanessa Howells, Amanda Wolfman
5. Reports:
 - a. Chair – Elaine Fitzgerald: The start of the school year is going well. Family Fun Night was a success with a great turnout. A reminder was given to members of the council to finish their training if not already completed. The fifth training module is now available online.
 - b. Principal – Chris Munns: More students enrolled than were originally expected. The 10th day enrollment was 589 students. This means additional funding will be coming to the school. No decisions have been made yet about how to use the additional funds, and no special education positions will be cut.. 286 families out of 418 have paid student fees. Reminder letters have gone out and families with special circumstances have been put on a payment plan or have had fees waived. Two students from Sauganash Elementary School were selected to read some of the names of fallen officers at the Candlelight Vigil on September 16th, 2015. Principal Movie Night will be held Oct. 9th from 5pm-7pm. Parents can drop kids off for food and movies. NWEA MAP testing has started to obtain Fall benchmarks. Sunday Oct. 4th is the Bob Perkus Memorial 5K run/walk. We want to

get many families to sign up and walk/run because the school gets 25% of the funds from the race. The field in front of the school is continuing to deteriorate. Netting that held the original sod in place is now showing through and causing a hazardous situation. Several students and staff members have tripped and sustained minor injuries so far. Incidents are being documented and reported downtown. Chris is planning to bring pieces of the netting to the next board meeting as a way to make headway towards obtaining a turn field. We are not eligible for TIF funding to improve the field because we are not within a TIF boundary.

c. Committee

- 1) Budget Committee – Costa Lallas : Two checks were written for over \$1,000 and were approved.
- 2) Continuous Improvement Work Plan (CIWP) – Richard Rodriguez: The chief of Network 1 approved the CIWP on July 1st.
- 3) Language Committee – Maureen Mackin: ACCESS testing was completed on students whose primary language is not English. There are 37 different languages spoken in the homes of our students. 112 students within the building are considered bilingual. 19% of our students’ population is considered ESL. There is an ESL endorsed teacher at every grade level. PTO is working to set up a foreign language library.
- 4) School Safety – Mike Lovell: Drop off is not going as smoothly as we would like. First and second grade drop off is going well, however a staff member is present for this drop off. We are looking for more parent volunteers to assist with the drop-off process. The first fire drill was conducted on 9/15 and was successful. The netting in the field is also a safety concern as children and parents have been tripping.
- 5) Leadership Committee – Dennis Hammer: Nothing to report
- 6) Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) Committee – Liz Piper: Nothing to report.
- 7) Principal Review Committee – Marikay Hegarty: There is a new tool that will be used for the Principal Review this year. Everyone needs to complete the training module on-line if not already done. We are also looking for parents to help with the review process.

- 8) Professional Personal Leadership Committee (PPLC) – Deanna Kelly: Absent
- 9) School Relations – Pam Sheehan: There's a story going to The Sounds about our students who read names at the Candlelight Vigil. Anna McGowan is going to be submitting articles about the school this year for the Sounds.

d. PTA Meeting Report: Marikay Hegarty will be attending the Oct. 14th meeting.

Applications were presented for council members to join the PTA. You don't have to have a child enrolled to be a member of PTA. Please check out the Sauganash PTA Facebook page and website for further information about how to join and where to go to support the school.

6. Old Business

a. Approve By-Laws: A motion was made to approve the bylaws as written. The motion was seconded and approved by voice vote, all in favor.

b. Approve Committee List: Pam Sheehan and Maureen Mackin will be co-chairs of the Principal Review Committee. Mark Moore and Elaine Fitzgerald will be co-chairs of the Budget Committee. A motion was made to make the above mentioned changes to the committee list. The motion was seconded and approved by voice vote, all in favor. An updated committee list will be provided at the next meeting.

c. Contact List: The contact list was reviewed.

d. School Usage Approval-World Strides October 2, 2015-Art Room: A motion was made to approve school usage for World Strides. The motion was seconded and approved by voice vote, all in favor.

7. New Business: No new business

8. Public Comment: A member of the public inquired about forming a committee to obtain TIF money for school improvements, however attempts were made in the past and have been unsuccessful. Sauganash Elementary is not currently within a TIF boundary, and it is unlikely that that will change. One route to go would be to reengage the North River Commission to assist with the possibility of obtaining TIF money. The suggestion was made to have a representative from the alderman's office to come to a future meeting to explain TIF funding and how to get funding from other sources to make improvements to the school.

9. Announce Date of Next Meeting, Set Agenda and Adjourn: Next meeting date will be Oct. 19th a 6:30pm. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45