

## Local School Council Meeting

Monday, April 15, 2013, 6-7:30pm  
Waters Elementary, 4540 North Campbell

1. Foster Rice called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM
2. Roll Call: LSC attendees: William Baker, Titia Crespo, Greg Foster-Rice, Jacqueline Gaines, Linda Garcia, Carla Griffin, Terri Versace, Matthew Weinstock, Christine Weldon
  - a. Excused absence: Mariuxi Benitez, Hugo Siguenza,
3. Approval of Agenda – Weldon motioned Gaines seconded, approved
4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting- Foster Rice motioned, Weldon seconded, approved
5. Announcements/Introduction of Guests
  - a. Vicki Nissim and Annette Booczko presented on Two Sister Education conference:
    - 1) They talked about implemented a program for language arts, the Daily 5. Both attended a conference with 500 other educators from across the country. The program offers children choices and encourages independent thinking. The Daily 5 is a substitute for centers. It offers differentiation and is individualized to the student. Booczko has implemented the program in her second grade language arts class. Nissim would like to implement it next year in additional grades/classes.
6. Correspondence: Foster Rice noted that he responded to a call from local website DNAInfo seeking information on the school boundary issue.
7. Reports
  - a. Chairperson - none
  - b. Principal: see attachment.
    - 1) Gaines will host a session on May 15 for middle school parents on college and career readiness.
    - 2) Healthy schools initiative: Julie Moore has been assisting the administration in the application process. Crespo announced that changes for next year to promote more healthy activities: cupcakes and other sweets will no longer be allowed for birthday celebrations. Also, recess will not be taken away as a form of punishment; all employees will have wellness goals. The communications committee will work with Principal Crespo to explain the changes to the community.
    - 3) Waters received a learn grant, so the school will have half-day preschool in 2013/14.
    - 4) Need to have parents register for next year. Waters had more than 500 out of district applications for waters kinder 13/14 year. Out of district siblings: everyone out of the district is wait listed. Every other grade is full, save for next year's 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
  - c. Committees
    - 1) Communications: none

- 2) Budget – Weldon: committee met April 1, but don't yet know the CPS budget for 13/14, so can't do any advance planning yet.
  - 3) CIWP – none
  - 4) PPLC – none
  - 5) Principal Evaluation – discussion in closed session
8. Public Forum about the proposed changes to the start time for 2013-14
    - a. Crespo discussed the process: check with both the network chief and department of transportation. Both were done and neither had a problem with a potential time change. Next step is a survey of the school community. The results will be shared with the teachers who will then vote on the matter.
  9. Old Business
    - a. Brief updates on fieldhouse proposal: Julie Moore sent a grant proposal for \$75,000 and is looking into a couple of other grants.
    - b. Crespo provided an update on the new MacBooks: The computers were purchased in February and are being integrated into the classrooms.
  10. New Business: none
  11. Executive Session – Versace motioned, Foster Rice seconded: Executive session started at 8:08. Foster Rice motioned to end executive session, Baker seconded. Executive session ended at 9:30
  12. Adjournment Baker motioned to adjourn, Weldon seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:30