

## Agenda:

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00
2. Roll call – Greg Foster-Rice, Josh Kalov, Erica Smith, Titia Crespo, Vanessa Caleb, Sean Rabiola, Annette Booczko, (Matthew Weinstock, Darian Martyniuk arrived late)
3. Approval of agenda – Ms. Caleb motioned, Ms. Crespo seconded. Approved.
4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting. Ms. Booczko motioned. Ms. Caleb seconded. Approved.
5. Special Reports:
  - Diverse Learner Program Update, Ms. Bricker reported that the Illinois State Board of Education came to Waters last year to audit the school because LRE1 percentages were significantly low. LRE1 means removing a child from the general ed classroom up to only 20% of the day – that's the state target, LRE2 = 20-60%, LRE3 = 60-100%. Waters had no LRE3, but too many students in LRE2 who were being pulled out too many minutes/day. Ms. Bricker reported that Waters has been working with Ravenswood and McPherson to learn about their programs. Within one year – our goal for LRE1 is 58.2% of IEP holders. Federal percentage is 62%. Right now we are at 50%. A year ago we were at 25% in LRE1. Mr. Foster-Rice ask for clarification on percentages. Answer: we were 25% LRE1 and 75% LRE2 last year. We are 50% LRE1 and 50% LRE2 this year. Waters will graduate 13 IEPs in 8<sup>th</sup> grade – unclear if we will be getting 13 kinders or other grades who have IEPs. So we may or may not keep the

Ms. Smith noted that it is a two year audit – this year it has been intense because under a corrected action plan with hours/week of documentation/submission of reports. Much of that meeting time happens after hours. Ms. Bricker is managing the ISBE audit process for the whole school. School counselors are supposed to designate someone else to be the case manager for the IEPs. Ms. Bricker is currently case manager, ISBE audit supervisor, scheduler for DL teachers, counselor, DL parent group coordinator,

-WatersToday Fundraising Update, Sara Byerly reported that when the school budget is prioritized, Waters Today would like to have clear strategy for fundraising. Mr. Leki position is a priority. Are K-aides a priority? What else in the CIWP is a priority? What are the pitfalls that are forthcoming? What we have seen other schools do is administration builds the budget, LSC approves, then friends-of groups come in afterwards to fill the gaps. Would like a more clear policy and process than responding throughout the year to various projects.

6. Correspondence and announcements (up to 5 min)

Ms. Smith reported that she received correspondence from a concerned parent. For the record, the letter was about the CTU action was an individual action taken by myself and not an action reflective of the LSC's position on CTU actions.

7. Reports (5 min each):

a. Principal Report and 20 for 20 Update (10 min): Ms. Crespo reported on a number of activities taking place in late April, early May, including a meeting with parents of diverse learners, Big Night, the next Cardboard Challenge/Maker Fair. CPS will also be in to inventory all of the school's computers. A literacy night is being planned for May. The office is sending out letters to get a count on students intending to return next year. Ms. Crespo also discussed the 20 for 20 Campaign: CPS CEO Forest Claypool has entered a lawsuit with the state with regards to fair funding. Parent voices need to be heard downstate about inequitable funding.

b. BAC

- Immigration Issue
- This Friday there's an IEP meeting for BAC, 8:30am. Will be bilingual.
- Sent out as a flier to bilingual families

c. Budget

- Mr. Gaytan, an outsider consultant, Ms. Crespo and Mr. Kalov worked on historical data from internal account system to get a better handle on how much we are collecting and how much has been spent. Counting up all the money and how it is spent.
  - Early Birds, Parking Lot, Church rental,
  - Student Fees
- Working on a master spreadsheet
- One of the challenges is that a large portion of those funds gets transferred into Oracle system that is designated by CPS as a place

from which we can pay engineers, early birds staff, and other staff to be present after-hours.

- The largest portion of those funds is going to pay for personnel
- From student fees it also goes to things like textbooks because those fees are required to go towards certain categories that have been designated when we request student fees
- Parent question: we raised the fees but we got about the same amount this year. Has there been an analysis? Ms. Smith said that the committee is looking into whether it was the result of higher fees or if we need to do a second push for collecting fees
- In last three years, Waters spent \$25,000 on books and subscriptions, which is useful information for budget planning
- Long term planning

d. CIWP

- 30 week report will be May

e. PPLC

- Observations ongoing
- Don't have any collaboration time for remainder of school year so will be using flextime

f. Principal Evaluation

- On deadline to have Professional Practice in by May 30

8. Public comment (2 min each)

- Carolyn Dean: how will the Mariano's meeting be used? Crespo: computers are the current high priority. Collen Herman: we are in a writing classroom which doesn't have computers and the students need computers to do their research and writing, so that is a higher priority than curriculum. Matt: with the limited Mariano's funds we get more bang for our buck with the computers than putting a small dent into the very large curriculum update.
- Ms. Bricker: Any news on the Phys Ed Mandate? Crespo: CPS has mandated that we increase PhysEd resources without funding it. We cannot fund any increase in PhysEd.
- Carolyn Dean: there's plenty of people at Home Depot who are willing to do painting and others to help with work on the school.

9. Old business

10. New business

11. Executive Session: Preliminary Principal Evaluation for SY2016-17: Mr.

Weinstock motioned to move into executive session. Mr. Foster-Rice seconded.

The LSC went into executive session to discuss principal evaluation.

12. Post executive session: Mr. Weinstock motioned to adjourn. Mr. Rabiola seconded. Meeting adjourned.