

Members Present: *S.Airola, M. Boehler, C. Bush, R. Estrada, JJaimes, R. Laragh, KKays, RKraus, MMadigan, SNelson, CPerez, JWilliams, WValero*

Members Regrets: *S. Berghorst, JHall, MHawilo, PHorsch, M.Moran, KPerkins, L.Ponce De Leon, H.Sennholtz, LSilva, B. Whitfield*

Guests Present: *Jfierro, OGoldstein, Mholloway, LPigozzi, Mmartinez, AMontgomery, J.Schroeder, Csanchez*

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

J. Williams motioned to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2019 board meeting; M. Boehler seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

Voice from the classroom presentation by O.Goldstein and L.Pigozzi on 1st grade math study done by the k-2 team.

Audit report given by J.Shroeder found no compliance violations and only one negative finding.

Principal's Report

(Please see handout)

- Erie has been granted a level 1 SQRP score.
- L. Amaro received the INCS Charter Excellence award.
 - She is the 2nd Erie teacher to win this award.
- Erie will host the INCS job Fair.
- Current 8th grader, V. Vazquez, was awarded the Daniel Murphy Scholarship.
- Continued teacher collaboration.
- Grade level meetings continue weekly to assess data.
- K. Kays & L. Amaro to attend CPS CIWP training.
- Partnership with Responsive Classroom.
- Arc Implementation continues to move forward.

Academic Program Committee Report

(Please see handout)

- Continuing teacher collaboration and data talks. .

Development and Communications Report

(Please see handouts)

- Perkins Gym dedication to take place in May.
- Holiday appeal at \$9,160.
- Total for Opening Doors: \$411,000.
- Continuing to look into grants and partnerships.
- Community partnerships with Kellogg Consulting Lab, U of I Extension & Rise Gardens.
- In-Kind donations:
 - Basketball uniforms were donated by Maura & Mark Zinni.
 - DeCarrier shoe donation.
 - Book Club books donated by Sarah Airola.
 - Library Shelves by the Walsh Group.
 - Carpet Squares from Tai Ping Carpets.

- Guitar set by Little Rock Instruments.

Operations Report

(Please see handouts)

- Biggest budget risk is that CPS has not been clear on SpEd funding.
- CPS now pays per capita on SpEd and by level.
- Added more SpEd staff to meet the rise in SpEd needs.
- Playlot renovation to begin in April. Contract has been paid.

Board Development Report

- Deciding to have 6 or 4 board meetings per year. .
 - Vote possible at April board meeting.
- New law was passed stating board members must have at least 4 hrs of training.
- INCS offers free training sessions.

President's Comments

- K.Kays accepted full-time Principal position.
- C. Perez is the new Executive Director.
- J. Marder Resigned on 1/7/2020. A. Montgomery to serve as interim.
- Alumni Newsletter is creating a great network.
- Charter Renewal:
 - Members from the Erie community attended the public hearing.
 - Final board vote for charter renewal expected on 1/22.
 - 10 year renewal was requested.
 - There will be an opportunity for public comments on 1/22.

Public Comments

- Adopt a Family event helped 29 students in need.
- Midtown Metro donated food and small gifts to 50 families.
- Thank you to C. Sanchez and S. Airola for continuing the book club.
 - Next meeting on March 23.
- Math & Literacy training is going well.
- GoFundMe to raise money for alumni J. Collazo

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53pm.

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