

Jean Baptiste Beaubien School

5025 N. Laramie

Local School Council Meeting

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

Call to order and pledge at 5:34 pm by Chairman, J. Conlon

In Attendance: Jenny Conlon, Angie Brito, Michelle Ludford, Ellie Santana, MaryAnn Newman, Cathay Escobar, Ian Erdos, Eva Skowronski, Cara Chae, Beatrice Hirsch, Kim Sineni, Debbie Solka

J. Conlon welcomes parents and students.

A motion was made by I. Erdos and seconded by M. Newman to approve the September 13, 2022 Minutes.

Motion passed: (12) Yes (0) No

A motion was made by I. Erdos and seconded by M. Ludford to approve the Agenda.

Motion passed: (12) Yes (0) No

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: A student expressed the need for larger size clothing for students which are used for emergency purposes. Most of what is in Dr. Kotis's office fit the primary aged students.

REPORTS:

Principal's Report:

M. Ludford presented the following:

Enrollment: Enrollment has changed. 967 with PreK. 946 w/o PreK. SY 22/23 Budget is based on 947 without PreK. We are better than we were in September but we are one student short of reaching 947 students. We are held harmless this year. If we had more students, we would have received more money. We are holding steady. Fortunately, we do not have to give back money.

Budget: Non-Payroll, \$668,438.65; Payroll, \$104,345.79

Internal Accounts: September has been reconciled. All balanced.

Instruction: We are looking into Savvas SS K-5.

Technology: The 13 new Promethean Boards have been installed. Passed out 400 new chromebooks. Audit coming up. All devices have to be scanned. Ms. Cutro is our new Techo person. CPS will continue to fund chromebooks as long as "end of life" continues to happen.

Personnel: We have four staff members on FMLA; 1 DL position filled and 3 Teacher Assistants have been hired. Two-thirds have On Boarded and one will next week. Evaluations for teachers and ESP are in full swing. We have 68 teachers and they will be split between Ms. Ludford and Dr. Kotis.

Beaubien Teams: Beginning Branching Minds software which will be able to bring up academic, and attendance information for all CPS students – purely based on assessments. E-Absence is coming. Families will be able to go into Aspen and report absences.

School/Community Events: Upcoming events, National Hispanic Month celebration assembly (10/13); Walk A Thon (10/20); HSAT (10/26) with make up on 11/17; BooBash and 6th-8th grade Dance (10/29); 11/21 Parent/Teacher conferences. Election Day is coming up on 11/8. There will be no students in the building. ADA work is still being done by the Pre-K door (Door #4).

Facilities/Operations: We are switching companies for food service on the 17th. We will no longer be “open kitchen” as we are going back to Aramark. We are also working very hard with CPS to get a new lunchroom whether a renovation or a complete addition. The head of Operations, Charles Mayfield visited our school. Our school has been chosen as one of the first schools for a bathroom remodel. All bathrooms will all become gender-neutral mandated by law by 2025.

Covid Mitigations: We are seeing a little of an upswing right now. Four classrooms. When there is a case, the entire class is considered close contact and will be asked to mask for 10 days.

PTO –

- Parents Night Out on 9/29 @ Rabbits had the highest turn out with positive feedback
- Walk A Thon is scheduled for 10/20. We are expecting to exceed last year's numbers.
- McTeacher Night 10/12 – always a popular night
- Picture Day went well, retakes scheduled for 10/19

Communications – nothing to report.

Diverse Learners – We have hired someone for one of the DL positions who is currently On Boarding.

BAC – Ms. Ocampo reported that elections were had and will use some of the funds to purchase t-shirts to wear at the area meetings and workshops. 176 students are currently in the ESL Bilingual program.

PPLC – Nothing to report at this time.

Community Outreach – Saturday, Oct. 15, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Fall Festival at North Park Village, [5801 N. Pulaski](#), walk along trails, children's arts/crafts, plus more. Free (Parking at Peterson Park Gymnastics Center); Saturday, Oct. 15, 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m., Shredding event-2 box limit, St. Mary of the Woods parking lot, 6955 N. Hiawatha. (Ald. Gardiner's off. 773 853-0799); Friday, Oct. 21, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Kolping Society, [5826 N. Elston](#), Flu shots, Covid 19 and other vaccines offered (773 853-0799); Saturday, Oct. 29, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Norwood Park Business Dist. Trick or Treat for kids; come in costumes; Sunday, Oct. 30, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., Halloween Howl, Robert's Square Park, pets and kids costume prizes. Free.

Don't forget to Vote: Early voting for 45th Ward will start Monday, Oct. 24 - Nov. 7, at Ho Chunk Nation, [4732 N. Milwaukee Ave.](#)

Treasurer's Report – September has been reconciled. All balanced.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget Transfers – None at this time.

Fundraising approval – Middle School Fall Dance, 10/28; “Dine Out” monthly fundraisers, August 2022 - July 2023. Estimated revenue \$2000.00. 100% of the proceeds comes back to Beaubien through the PTO. Thank you to Ms. Bryers, who is still working on this for us. A motion was made by I. Erdos and seconded by D. Solka to approve the above-mentioned fundraisers. Motion passed: (12) Yes (0) No

Statements for Parent Representative Opening - One of our parent reps moved out of state. Is anyone interested in filling that spot and would like to make a statement, please put your name in the chat. Ms. Sarah McWhorter, parent of a 2nd grade student, gave her statement and the Board broke out into Executive Session to discuss at approximately 6:03 pm; returned at approximately 6:16 pm with a unanimous yes vote. Welcome new parent representative, Sarah Whorter.

OLD BUSINESS: none to report.

Quick mention by E. Skowronski: Ms. Ludford will be the principle speaker at the Wednesday, 10/26 Jefferson Park Neighborhood Association Meeting @ 7 pm. Free parking at Hoyne Bank.

Next LSC meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 8 at 5:30 pm as a google meet. A motion was made by M. Ludford and seconded by D. Solka to adjourn at 6:27 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by E. Santana