### SOUTH LOOP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

# LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCIL (LSC)

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

## Wednesday, May 11, 2016

# Location: South Loop Elementary School, Main Building, Cafeteria

- 1. Call to order at 6:23PM. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Roll Call: Shelton, Jackson, Thompson, LaCoco, Agrawal, Easterly, Johnson, Melhado, Pieper, Stinson-Marti, Fazekas. Quorum present at: 6:25PM
- 3. Motion to approve agenda (PJ/JE)

No discussion

Motion carries: 11-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain

4. Motion to approve minutes from April 13, 2016 regular meeting (RA/PJ)

Discussion: edits needed

Motion to accept 4/13/16 minutes with edits TS/KL

No discussion.

Motion carries: 11-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain

Motion to review and approve internal accounting balances ending April 30,
 2016 (AF/JE)

#### Discussion:

- As of April 30, 2016 = \$36,049.95
- Checks over \$1000 will be itemized at June Meeting.

Motion carries: 11-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain

- 6. Reports
  - a. Principal (Ms. Shelton)
    - i. School Leadership

Space Planning Committee: Three members of the space planning committee spoke at the April Board of Education Meeting. The outcome has been positive and the LSC will be updated at the June meeting. There are two meetings scheduled in the coming week to further address this issue.

## ii. Instructional Leadership

Middle School Intervention Boot Camp: The middle school math team, and our MTSS intervention specialist have worked to create an 8-week boot camp to guide instruction during intervention in the lead up to NWEA. Data from middle of year MAP testing was used to identify areas of need for students, to group them according to progress in the four strands of math instruction, and to tailor instruction to individual needs using a variety of platforms (IXL, Khan Academy, Study Island, FrontRowEd, NWEA Learning Continuum, and teacher created packets. NWEA starts next week.

## iii. Student-Centered Learning Climate

We Day – Beta Club participated in a citywide WE Day event with students from all over the city. The club chose We Create Change as a massive service project in support of The Clean Water and Sanitation Initiative for Haiti. The club raised over \$900.00.

YBTC – Two of our very own 5<sup>th</sup> graders participated in the State Challenge. Maya Joshi who made it to the 7<sup>th</sup> round – the furthest and youngest any CPS student has made it in the State Challenge. CPS contacted Principal Shelton to acknowledge that this was the 1<sup>st</sup> ever CPS student to make it to the State Challenge, and the youngest ever.

Middle School Mix Up Days – last two weeks we mixed it up at lunch with 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade table groups. Students continue to enjoy this event.

Lunch with the Principal – Principal Shelton looks for students engaged and on-task in the classrooms, and focuses on getting a diverse group of students for this opportunity. Principal Shelton uses these lunches as recognition of scholarly behavior as well as an opportunity to get insight from the students about school climate and culture. She then passes this on to teachers to be addressed during Morning Meeting and Advisory. Principal Shelton wants to emphasize the follow-through so that students who articulate their thoughts see that they are addressed.

- iv. Professional Development and Human Resource ManagementNothing to report.
- v. Parent Involvement & Community Partnerships
  Nothing to report.
- vi. School Management & Daily OperationsNWEA testing in ELA and Math will begin the week of May 16.
- vii. Interpersonal Effectiveness

Continuous email blasts to communicate updates addressing issues immediately.

Parent/Student/Admin meetings are held as needed to address issues and concerns.

- b. Professional Personnel Learning Committee (PPLC) (Thompson)Nothing to report.
- c. LSC Committees
  - i. By –Laws (LaCoco)Nothing to report.
  - ii. CommunicationsNothing to report.
  - iii. Family Involvement Group (FIG) (Agrawal)

Unfortunately Fitness Night had to be cancelled due to a low lack of response from community organizations. Spring Clean and Green was a very successful event held in conjunction with Earth Day. The event was well-attended and the feedback was really positive. It was tricky for SLES participants since this event overlapped with Spring Break.

# iv. Finance (Johnson)

Motion to vote on adding the following fundraisers to the official fundraising list for the 2015-2016 school year: Art to Remember, Amazon Smiles, Papa Johns (LJ/JM)

Discussion: Art to Remember fundraiser, and Amazon Smile fundraisers will both contribute a percentage of funds to the school. Principal Shelton would like to promote the use of the Target Red Card as another fundraiser for the school.

Papa Johns fundraiser provides a 20% kick back on pizza orders on a particular night.

Motion carries: 11-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain.

Motion to approve the fundraiser list for the 2016-2017 school year (JE/TS)

Discussion: Is this premature in light of concerns that there are too many fundraisers to have a committed focus to the specific fundraisers? (RA) No, the finance committee does review this list regularly and with the LSC approval the finance committee won't need to wait for approval. The fundraising list only itemizes *approved* fundraisers, and does not mean that these fundraisers will *actually* happen. (LJ)

Roll Call: Shelton – yes; Jackson – yes; Thompson – yes; LaCoco – yes; Agrawal – no; Easterly – yes; Johnson – yes; Melhado – yes; Pieper – yes; Stinson-Marti – no; Fazekas – no; Sohel – absent;

Motion carries – 8-yes; 3-no; 0-abstain.

Spring Benefit is progressing well. Now the focus is on putting together the Silent Auction items. Still collecting donations on wine – these can be brought to the main office. King Cake sale will be held after school Friday. Ticket sales are about 40, with 10 kids signed up for childcare. LJ mentioned that frequently up to 100 tickets are sold in the last few days. Currently looking for someone to donate miles for the silent auction. Still interested in hiring someone for communications – sending out e-blast, and maintaining website update. Need to compile requirements (job description, time, rates, etc.) and then actively seek out proposals for the position.

- v. Least Restrictive Environment (LRE)(LaCoco)

  LRE team is busy looking over IEPs and reviewing Diverse

  Learners to determine who needs to attend summer school.
- vi. Principal Evaluation (Easterly)

  Scores were reviewed by Councilman Easterly. Comments from the Closed Session meeting on April 13, 2016 were shared with Principal Shelton.
- vii. Space Planning (ad hoc) (Shelton)

  Recap of the recent CPS Board Meeting, including presentation by SLES on overcrowding.
- Old BusinessNothing to report.
- 8. New Business

  Nothing to report.
- Public forumNothing to report.

# 10. Motion to adjourn (TS/JE)

Motion approved: 10 – yes; 0-no; 0-abstain.

Adjourned at 7:34

Priscilla Jackson departed at 7:29PM