

STEM Magnet Academy

Local School Council

Tuesday, March 12, 2019 (5:15PM)

LSC Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

Mr. Ben Williams called the March 12, 2019 LSC Meeting to order at 5:20PM.

Roll Call

Roll Call was taken and quorum was established.

All members were present at the meeting:

Dr. Maria J. McManus (Principal)

Ms. Cutina R. Anderson

Mrs. Tarita Brantley

Mrs. Tamara Dervin

Mrs. Cynthia J. Gulley

Mr. David Sanders

Mrs. Sharon Simmons

Mr. Ben Williams

Mrs. Zakiya P. Williams

Approval of Agenda

The March 12, 2019 LSC Agenda was approved unanimously.

Reports

Chair:

- No report given from Mr. Ben Williams

Principal's Report:

- The Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR), formerly PARCC, is taking place now for students in grades 3-8. Testing is from March 11-March 29, 2019. While this test is mandatory for CPS schools to administer, students in grades 3-8 can choose to opt-out.
- The NWEA (EOY) will take place May 13-June 14, 2019 for all grades (K-8).
- Literacy Week is the week before Spring Break, April 8-12, 2019. (Ms. Anderson shared) Students will have the opportunity to shop at the Book Fair, as well as engage in planned Literacy activities during this week. More information will be forthcoming.
- Spring Break is April 15-19, 2019!

- Unfortunately the 8th grade trip had to be cancelled. We did not have enough students participating in the trip. An email was sent home alerting parents and also informing them that a reimbursement will be issued to them. The middle school team is having discussion about an alternative event.
- Parent's Night Out is Friday, March 29, 2019. Please support FOS and come out. Last year we had a GREAT time. You don't want to miss it this year. The auction items for this year are amazing. You will hear more from FOS about the event.
- The 2019-2020 school year is approaching. Parents are asked to inform the school if their kids are not returning as soon as possible as seats will need to be filled immediately.

Budget:

- Dr. McManus presented the internal account balance sheet and cash disbursements for the month of November, December, January, and February. LSC members were asked to take a look and ask any questions. It was highlighted that most of the budget is distributed towards teacher salaries.
- **November** (\$119,106.81-Balance) (\$11,474.59-Disbursements)
- **December** (\$113,584.49-Balance) (\$12,351.02-Disbursements)
- **January** (\$107,346.56-Balance) (\$8,004.33-Disbursements)
- **February** (102,052.23-Balance) (\$7,479.33-Disbursements)
- Additionally, you will see another large amount spent for the tech company, Leverage Technologies. That cost is 22,000K a year; however they come once a week and keep all of our technology and devices up to par.
- Field Trips/Buses and buses continue to be very costly.
- Carpet cleaning this year was a total of \$1800.
- Mr. Sanders requested to see monthly cash receipts in addition to the other Internal Accounts documents

CIWP:

- No report

Friends of STEM:

- Parents Night Out is March 29 from 6PM-10PM at Park Tavern
- The "Last Hurrah-ha-ha" will be at Joe's on Weed Street. Tickets are \$25. The comedy show is on Sunday, May 5, 2019.

Fundraiser Ideas (approved by the council):

- Classroom Wars....FOS will share 4-5 activities that each class can raise money for and depending on how much money the students raise, that will determine which activity they can participate in.....suggested activities: skating party, trampoline party,
- Beautification Committee wants to celebrate Earth Day and restore the planters that were destroyed last year outside around the trees.

- Girls Bathroom Project.....the plaster is literally falling off the wall in some of the bathrooms.

Old Business

Submission of Economic Interest Form

New Business

No Report

Public Participation

- Ms. Ducar has a connection with J.C. Likt painting and will reach out to them for assistance with supplies.
- Mr. Knight-Parent Patrol has been very successful and is appreciated by staff.

Announcements

IRA Testing (03.11.19-03.29.19)

Quarter 3 Ends (04.04.19)

School Improvement Day-No School (04.05.19)

Report Card Distribution (04.10.19)

Spring Break (04.15.19-04.19.19)

LSC Meeting 10am (05.13.19)

Q4 Progress Reports (05.17.19)

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:51PM.

Submitted by:

Mrs. Tarita Brantley

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LSC Secretary