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MINUTES

PEIRCE LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, July 23, 2015

******* 6:00 p.m. *******

Peirce Gymnasium

1. Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm by JD.
2. Roll was called. Present were Lori Zaimi (LZ), Bridget Fabianski (BF)), Chris Drase (CD), Joe Dunne (JD), John Albrecht (JA), James Morgan (JM), Jeff Korte (JK). Lupe Garcia (LG), Bill Kennedy (BK), and Maria Rodriguez (MR) were absent.
3. JK motioned to approve the order of the Agenda, JA seconded. All present voted in favor.
4. Public Participation
 - a. Gina Eshu – had questions regarding the school budget.
 - b. Karen Dreyfuss – stated that the 48th Ward Back to School picnic will take place on September 2.
 - c. Brooke Thompson – spoke about a former Peirce graduate who had recently died in a car crash. Also noted that After School All Stars funding has been approved.
5. Items Needing Council Approval - JA requested corrections be made to the July 1, 2015 Minutes. JD said he would correct. JA motioned to approve the July 1, 2015 Minutes with the discussed changes, JM seconded. All present voted in favor.
6. School Budget 2015-2016 School Year – LZ went over the budget according to the handout she provided. JD motioned to approve the budget, JA seconded. A voice vote was taken – JK, JD, JA, CD, LZ, JM, and BF all voted in favor.
7. Transfer of Funds – No federal or state funds were transferred.
8. Least Restrictive Environment – No report this month
9. Old Business – schedule for LSC meeting for the 2015-2016 school year were handed out. Duration of School Reports – BK and BF will collect monthly reports.
10. Approval of Bylaws – JA motioned to approve the LSC Bylaws with the addition of a Safety and Security committee and a Budget committee, JM seconded. All present voted in favor. Members agreed to wait until council vacancies were filled to finalize Committees in the Bylaws. **ACTION ITEM FOR NEXT MEETING:** discuss Committees.
11. Motion to accept the Rules of Order – JK motioned to accept the Rules of Order for LSC meetings as detailed in the LSC bylaws and the LSC guidebook, JA seconded. All present voted in favor.
12. New Business – Disposal of Executive Session Recordings, JK confirmed that he has the last three years of recordings and that they are safely stored. He will be turning them over to LZ. Minutes were made for most of the closed session recordings. However, minutes are needed for the last 18 months of recordings. Executive committee will read and review the minutes and make a recommendation to the council on how to proceed. Motion about recordings was tabled until next month.

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13. School Reports

- a. Principals Report – LZ provided a handout.

Highlights included:

- Because of CPS cuts in sports programming, \$15,000 has been allocated to sports programming, and \$18,000 to before and after school programming.
- Peirce will have 2 Middle School opening for the 2015-2016 school year. A hiring committee will be created to interview and work towards filling these vacancies.
- Budget proposal indicates the ability to have a freed counselor and a separate case manager/BLT/tech support position.
- Principal has met with the communications committee and a plan is in place for communications this school year.
- Website has undergone some changes – a Peirce parent has volunteered to help maintain the website.
- Principal worked with Brooke Thompson to submit the After School All Stars grant at the end of June, we have received \$36,000 for after school programming for the 2015-2016 school year! The school need to have a 25% matching allocation, which we will have based on the proposed budget.

- b. FOP – Kegs for Kids will not be happening this year. A brunch event, called Eggs for Kids, will take place at Hopleaf on August 30th.

14. JA motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 pm, CD seconded. All present voted in favor.

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