



**Local School Council Minutes
January 15, 2020**

I. Welcome and Call to Order at 5:47pm

John Falck	Parent Rep, Chairperson	Present
Rachael Russ	Parent Rep	Present
Leigh Ann Dreves	Parent Rep, Secretary	Present
Rosalynn Walker	Parent Rep	Present
Esteven Gonzalez	Parent Rep, Vice Chairperson	Absent
Bridget Johnson	Parent Rep	Present
Jason Emeott	Community Rep	Arrived at 5:51pm
Steven McClellan	Community Rep	Arrived at 5:51pm
Chris Graves	Principal	Present
Katie LeMoine	Teacher Rep	Present
Melissa Flisk	Teacher Rep	Present
Reed Rubin	Non-Teaching Staff Rep	Present

Also in attendance: Sam Simmerman, Ms. Parilli, Ms. Jenkins, Ms. Polkowski

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- a. Mr. Falck made a motion to approve the December 11, 2019 LSC meeting minutes (with a few grammatical edits), Ms. Walker seconded. All in favor and no objections.

III. Principal Report

- a. School Updates
 - i. Winter Assembly was a success
 - ii. The 2 post-vacation strike make-up days were implemented with instructional coverage in all classrooms
 - 1. ~58% student attendance on day 1
 - 2. ~68% student attendance on day 2
 - 3. ~80% teacher attendance.
 - iii. Family Reading Night and La Posada brought families together before the holiday break
- b. Competency A, Principal champions teacher and staff excellence through continuous improvement to develop and achieve high expectations for all students
 - i. Class visits continue, focused on teacher goals
 - ii. Last week’s grade level meeting focused on monitoring student progress
- c. Competency B, Creates powerful learning systems that guarantee learning for all students
 - i. ILT members will be attending “Summit” network meetings to learn more about how to support math and literacy instruction at LaSalle
 - ii. Unit and Lesson Plan Development continues to get focus and support
 - iii. Math areas of need were further clarified with network support. Updates will be provided at the future LSC meetings
- d. Competency C, Builds a culture focused on college and career readiness
 - i. Staff shared effective strategies to manage the classroom
- e. Competency D, Empowers and motivates family and the community to become engaged

- i. Principal breakfast with 7th & 8th graders on 1/14/20
- ii. Healthy CPS planning process has restarted to repeat our honors from last year
- iii. Ski Trip at the end of January
- iv. Town Hall meetings give student voice, continuing monthly
- v. Sex Ed will be taught on a gender-integrated basis, following research recommendations.
- vi. Health, Wellness, and Gardening FOL group is splitting to increase focus
- f. Competency E, Relentlessly pursues self-disciplined thinking and action
 - i. CPS Network Chief visits LaSalle on 1/16 to provide feedback on LaSalle progress
 - ii. Doctoral work now is more focused on LaSalle students and needs
- g. CIWP Planning
 - i. A timeline is in place to develop our new CIWP, involving ~12 meetings
 - ii. CPS revised the CIWP process. The school Excellence Framework categories will consolidate from four to three.
 - iii. The new CIWP will incorporate the CPS 5 year Vision, LaSalle goals, and the status of our current CIWP goals

IV. Public Comment

- a. Mr. Greene from Right at School mentioned they are continuing to work on routines for recess. RAS has had consistent staff since the first few weeks of the school year, which has been helpful. He thanked the school for the improvement of after school snack options (it's almost like a meal).

V. Committee Reports

- a. LSC Chair and Secretary Report
 - i. Old Town Art Fair to take the lead on planning and managing parking
 - ii. Upcoming open house planning - lots of involvement from the school and parents to get the word out about what to expect if you come to LaSalle
 - iii. LSC elections are coming up. [Candidate applications due March 5. The election on April 22nd - report card pick-up day]
- b. Building/Traffic/Safety Committee
 - i. Parents are continuing to drop off and pick up in the 2nd (middle) lane on Orleans, which is a safety hazard for kids walking across the driving lane. Should we put up cones for 15-20 minutes to guide traffic? Should we ask for an additional officer to assist with drop off? There is a shortage of staff in the afternoon to supervise pickup traffic, and more people are double parking. Mr. Graves is working on hiring another individual to assist traffic supervision during pick-up.
 - ii. The scoreboard in the gym doesn't work - Mr. Graves will ask Sodexo to see if they can fix this
 - iii. Divots in the playground will have a permanent fix after the winter thaw
 - iv. Sheds around the school (4 in staff parking lot) hold a few old desks, Green Team equipment, and some sporting equipment
- c. Budget & Finance Committee
 - i. One topic identified during 12/2019 principal evaluation was budget and financial reporting and oversight. Working to help Mr. Graves provide a more digestible budget overview. Also would like to digitize the monthly financial reports which can be housed in the LSC folder for review.
- d. CIWP
 - i. Update provided separately in the meeting
- e. Principal Evaluation Committee

- i. Closed session at the end of this meeting to provide an update to all LSC members who were absent in December
- f. PPLC - Leadership Committee (teacher leadership team elected by the teachers)
 - i. No updates
- g. Technology Committee
 - i. Status update on CDW Dell Chromebook order - CPS took about a month to transfer funds from LLA accounts to a central CPS account before the purchase could be initiated. CDW said it then would take 30-40 days to get the order completed, including having CPS software installed and the chromebooks tagged. We will not achieve our goal of having the chromebooks in place by January 13th. There are enough working chromebooks to support January NWEA testing, but we want to get the new ones at the school and in use as soon as possible.
 - ii. GoTech Life - Julian did an analysis of the chromebooks in the building and some are 5-7 years old. The classrooms that most need new chromebooks have been identified. Old chromebooks will remain in the vault as backups if needed.
 - iii. Mr. Graves may ask if there are volunteers to assist with fixing broken chromebooks
- h. Community Relations
 - i. No updates

VI. FOL Update

- a. Working on their fundraising for the pledge drive, and the annual auction event which is on February 29th. Fundraising is critical to the success of our school.

VII. Old Business

- a. Archive of prior year LSC minutes
 - i. A google drive was set up by John, who loaded almost all minutes from July 2012 thru June 2016. He plans to create a link to those from the school website.
 - ii. Ms. Walker is working on creating a physical binder of minutes to be held in the school office.
- b. Information about NWEA performance by different groups
 - i. Summary and review of grade level Math & Reading results by race for last year
 - ii. Review of Diverse Learner results in Math & Reading (IEP only students)
 - iii. Discussion: It would be helpful to see growth percentiles by grade. Mr. Graves will look at putting this together.

Noted, Diverse Learners can include students who have mental and / or physical challenges. Those with physical challenges would only end up with an IEP if their physical impairment directly impacts their learning. For example, a student with a severe nut allergy might be considered a Diverse Learner, with a special plan for their allergy, but would not have special academic accommodations through an IEP.

VIII. New Business

- a. Inquiry by Lincoln Park High School about possibly using the LLA turf field early in the morning on school days in the spring for girl's soccer practices.
 - i. LPHS was told the limitations of the space and concerns about early morning noise. We are waiting to hear back if they want to formally request using it.
- b. New After School Programming coming:
 - i. Rosetta Stone Club
 - ii. Chinese Club
 - iii. "Dance With Class" (most likely available for grades 3-6)

IX. Issues for Discussion or Vote

- a. Geja restaurant has inquired about rental of the teacher parking lot for their valet parking. (This would be shared with Twin Anchor's valet parking). The rental would be \$40 per night. The requested dates of the rental would be reviewed at the beginning of each month with Mr. Graves. Looking at utilizing the spots between Thursday-Sunday. Mr. Falck motioned to approve item IX. appending that Geja's provide parking signage; Ms. Flisk seconded. All in favor and no objections.

X. Open Forum

- a. No topics for discussion.

Mr. Simmerman mentioned that he would like to hear more information about the field usage request by LPHS.

XI. Adjournment of Open Session at 7:16pm

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Closed Session for Principal Evaluation - began at 7:20pm

Adjournment of Closed Session at 7:52pm

Open Comments opened at 7:52pm

Adjournment at 7:53pm