

Ernst Prussing Elementary School meeting minutes from Wednesday February 8, 2017

1. Call to order: Michele Taylor called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

2. Roll call: Present - Denise Anderson, Verna Flores-Anthony, Kristin Elouadrhiri, Dr. George Chipain, Erica Hagerman, Phil Huckleberry, Caryn McKay, Michele Taylor, Maureen Turenne, Mary Ann Sheehan, and Jacqueline Yum.

Absent - Zahwa Alhassan.

A quorum was present

3. Approval of the agenda: Mary Ann Sheehan makes a motion to approve the agenda. Jacqueline Yum seconds.

Favor: 11

Oppose: 0

The motion passes.

4. Approval of LSC meet in minutes. Caryn McKay makes a motion to approve the January 11, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. Jacqueline Yum seconds.

Approve: 11

Oppose: 0

The motion passes.

5. Mail call announcements: Nothing new to report.

6. Old Business:

a. Street safety. Phil Huckleberry starts the discussion by asking the guests to introduce themselves. Aldermen John Arena (45th ward) and Nicholas Sposato (38th ward), police commander of the 16th district and various heads of the Department of Transportation are present and introduce themselves. Parents, community members, and guests discuss ways to improve crossings in multiple problem areas. Central and Giddings/Leland/Eastwood will receive bump outs as well as painting crosswalks and adding

school signs. This will happen during construction season starting April 1st. Parking restrictions have been taken down on Central during rush hour. Lawrence and Menard problems with the off-center crosswalks with bus stops both east and west bound. DOT will have a study done to see best course of action. Alderman Arena will work with DOT and CTA for solutions.

b. Annex update: Dr. Chipain talks about the annex update. Will be located where gifted and old-school and kindergarten are located. Will have 6 classrooms, lunch room, and multi-year rooms tbd. Projected to start in 2018 and occupy space by school year 2019. Teachers, staff, and parents will discuss what is needed wanted.

7. Reports:

a. Student council: Coach and student council will propose improper for the American Heart Association in the month of March. Student Council will see conversation hearts in house to students.

b. Principal report: Dr. Chipain speaks on the principal's report. See report in the LSC folder located in the school office.

c. PPLC: Met 2 days ago, to discuss social studies curriculum. Put on hold due to budget freeze by CPS. Discussed my school, my voice survey results.

d. Bilingual advisory: Nothing new to report.

e. Parent Advisory: Danielle Taylor spoke of the last meeting. Upcoming Workshop on PARCC testing, importance of attendance, and looking into doing a family cooking class.

f. PTO: Danielle Taylor spoke to the PTO. \$225.30 from box tops, \$674 from Chuck E Cheeses, and about \$1,450 from the Talent Show.

8. New Business:

a. PTO fundraisers/activities: Valentine's Dance. Phil Huckleberry makes quick motion to approve the dance, Kristen Elouadrhiri seconds.

Favor: 11

Oppose: 0

The motion passes.

b. Dr. Chipain presents 2 balance transfers. Kristin Elouadrhiri makes a motion to approve the balance transfers. Phil Huckleberry seconds.

Favor: 11

Oppose: 0

The motion passes.

Phil Huckleberry asks what the budget freeze affects. Furniture and equipment, technology. Dr. Chipain wanted smart boards and chromosome with the money frozen.

c. Taft South: Phil Huckleberry talks about the Taft South campus at Irving Park and Oak Park roads. It is approximately a 1.5-year process to figure out what type of campus it will be. It is all in the talking stage. Construction will start before it is decided what will be housed there.

9. Public comments and concerns: Parent wants to know who to talk to about soliciting donations. Should go through the PTO first.

10. Announce next meeting: Special meet in on Wednesday 2/15/2017 at 5 pm to discuss jump rope for heart, budget cuts, principal evaluation - closed session.

Regular meeting Wednesday March 8, 2017 at 5 pm.

11: Motion to adjourn: Mary Anne Sheehan makes a motion to adjourn, Kristen Elouadrhiri seconds.

Favor: 11

Oppose: 0

The motion passes. Meeting is adjourned at 7:03 pm