

U-46 Citizens' Advisory Council – Family and Community Engagement Committee

NOTES OF MEETING

TODAY'S DATE April 24, 2017	MEETING DATE April 18, 2017	MINUTES APPROVED April 26, 2017
MEETING TITLE CAC FACE Meeting		AUTHOR J. Book

LOCATION OF MEETING: U-46 Education Services Center, 355 E. Chicago Street, Elgin, IL, Room 240
ATTENDED BY: Madeleine Villalobos, Karla Jimenez, Jeff Book, Tammy Book, Phil Novello, Vanessa Castelan, Vivienne Bailey, Heather Mathews
ABSENT: Larry Bury, Matt Hovey

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1	Call to order at 7:04 pm
2	Vanessa motioned to approve March, 2017 FACE minutes Vanessa, seconded by Vivienne.
3	<p><u>Public Comments:</u></p> <p>Vivienne: Attended school finance reform town hall. Some point she noted were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no discussion about actually solving the school funding crisis. • There is not enough money in state budget to keep Illinois public schools open more than 90 days. • There is a June 30th deadline to solve the funding issue. • Illinois is the state most reliant on property taxes for schooling in country.

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4	<p><u>FACE Committee Report Review</u></p> <p>The FACE committee report and recommendations were reviewed and discussed with very few changes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phil asked if FACE wants to continue – or should recommend - to facilitate the BOE candidate forum. • Madeleine mentioned that the CAC Executive committee will discuss what part of CAC will facilitate forum in the future. • The FACE report's recommendation should be changed to say that the CAC Executive committee should consider which group should facilitate candidate forum. • Phil moved to approve report, Heather seconded. • Vote 7-0 to approve the FACE committee's 2016-17 report.

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5	<p><u>District Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U46Engage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There was a U46Engage session at Laurel Hill elementary ○ Parents from several other schools attended for current and incoming Pre-K and Kindergarten students ○ Additional U46Engage sessions have been scheduled ○ Announcements are made through several media and social media avenues ○ Main focus is on current Kindergarten students ○ Sessions thus far have been pilot sessions ○ Future sessions will be earlier in the school year ○ A goal of the sessions is trying to get parents more engaged and involved by informing parents how to get involved with their child's education at home, school and district • Pass Illinois' Budget! Initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ U-46 CEO Tony Sanders wants to start a group called "Pass Illinois' Budget!" ○ What does it mean, how to get involved? ○ Tony is working with every school district superintendent in the state ○ Tony to direct all U-46 schools to put "Pass Illinois' Budget!" on their marquee ○ Heather suggested that CAC should get involved in this effort ○ U-46 is taking lead in this effort • U-46 volunteer reception to be held on Tuesday, April 25 at 4:30-6:00pm in the Education Services Center, room 240 • More than 100 photos and stories were submitted for teacher appreciation • Public library representatives will be meeting with principals of the schools they serve to kick off summer reading challenge. • Library Card Challenge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The winning school was Lowrie elementary where 99% of students had a library card • Garfield Elementary had the largest increase in library card holders at 1,179%

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6	<p><u>Other Business</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Madeleine will not be returning to the FACE committee next year • Phil agreed to be co-chair along with Matt
7	Heather motioned to adjourn, Vivienne seconded
8	Adjourned at 8:37pm
9	Minutes approved via electronic vote April 26, 2017