

# Family & Community Engagement Committee

## *Meeting Minutes – January 20, 2015*

**In attendance:** Erika Nelson, Jeff Book, Madeleine Villalobos, Karla Jimenez, Sandy Martin, Vanessa Castelan, Kai Rush, Seth Rindner, Aimee Novelli, and Tangela Young

**Meeting called to order:** 7:02

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from the December meeting were approved. Kia Rush motioned and Tangela Young approved.

**District Update:** (Karla Guzman)

- 2015-2016 academic calendar is tentative for BOE approval. Includes additional professional development days for teaching staff. One of those days will coincide with election day to minimize student's interaction/exposure to the general public – which has been identified as a safety concern.
- Please take a moment to complete the 5essentials Survey. Staff and students will provide input as well.
- The FACE survey will be reviewed by administration and shared with our committee at our next meeting.

**Group Work Session:**

- The U-46 a Fresh Look initiative is well underway. This will dovetail with the City of Elgin/Chamber of Commerce Realtors tour "Discover Elgin". April 13<sup>th</sup> is slated for the realtor/developer breakfast at Larking High School. April 8<sup>th</sup> is scheduled for Tefft Middle School in Streamwood.
- The survey to assess needs and interests will be distributed to the PTO groups throughout U-46. Upon review, a meeting might be held at district offices next month with all PTO groups invited.
- The transformation schools initiative is underway. Meetings with principals and teachers are being held to discuss how Student Led Conferences (SLC) are being conducted already in our district. Observations of actual conferences are also being conducted. More information to follow!

**New Business**

- Review of Section 8 of the Board of Education Policy document was postponed until the legal department could review and create verbiage around state mandates and required ISBE additions. We have slated the February 17th meeting session to focus on this initiative.

**Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday, February 17th - 7pm

**Meeting adjourned.** 9:07 pm