

**U-46 Citizens' Advisory Council**

**NOTES OF MEETING**

TODAY'S DATE	MEETING DATE	MINUTES APPROVED
<b>2019-12-02</b>	<b>2019-11-07</b>	<b>2019-12-05</b>

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AUTHOR

**CAC General Council Meeting**

**Tracy Kelly**

LOCATION OF MEETING: Elgin High School Library
ATTENDED BY: Per sign-in sheets

	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION
1	Called to order at 7:04 p.m.
2	Larry Bury welcomed attendees and announced the topic of the evening, U-46 Roadmap to Engagement
3	A motion to accept the minutes of the October general meeting was made by Brock Friedman and seconded by Phil Novello. The motion passed unanimously.
4	<p>Kate Thommes gave an update for the Board of Education</p> <p>--The ELL Department is hosting its fourth annual Dual Language Parent Academy on November 9 at EHS, all are welcome. Special guest is Illinois State Superintendent, Dr. Carmen Ayala. Keynote speaker will be Sylvia Acevedo, current CEO of the Girl Scouts of the USA and former rocket scientist at NASA. There will be multiple breakout sessions to attend and activities for children ages 4 and up. This event is free and no registration is required.</p> <p>--The Windy City Bulls first home game of the season is November 9 at Sears Centre and they will be celebrating Hispanic Heritage Night with Dia de los Muertos themed activities. A portion of every ticket purchased will be donated back to the U46 Educational Foundation. The evening will also be dedicated to the memory of Ron Raglin who passed away in August 2019. Dr. Raglin was the assistant superintendent of educational support programs and alignment, as well as a fan of the team.</p> <p>--The 12th annual Principal for a Day event is on Friday, December 6. This program brings community leaders into schools to serve as a "principal" for a morning, allowing them to experience school life through a new lens. This event will be followed by a luncheon at Villa Olivia and the featured speaker will be Illinois State Board of Education Chairperson Darren Reisberg.</p>

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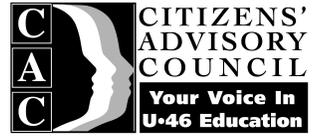
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5	<p>Tony Sanders gave an update for District Administration. He introduced the Administrative Cabinet member and other Board of Education member that were in attendance.</p> <p>--Tony thanked the audience for all the questions and feedback about the district's updated educational pathway plan at last month's CAC meeting. He stated three town halls were held over the past month to gather additional feedback. Answers to the questions from the last meeting can be found online on the district website under Educational Pathway.</p> <p>--The new Illinois State Report Card was released on October 30. Scores were calculated based on a student's neighborhood school rather than the school serving them, which led to some dramatic changes in some schools' composite scores. Variations in transportation expenditures, facility costs, special programming play a factor in each site's total per-pupil expenditure. Two schools earned the designation of "exemplary", 46 were deemed "commendable" and 5 received "underperforming" designation. This is an improvement over the results of last year.</p>
6	<p>Call for public comment: There was no public comment.</p>
7	<p>Larry Bury called for committee updates.</p>
8	<p>--Matt Hovey and Phil Novello (FACE) provided an update on October event. Their next event will be held on February 19, the location to be determined. The next meeting will be November 20 at ESC Room 240</p> <p>--Rebecca Miller (Specialized Student Services) reported that their next event will be held in February, with the date and location to be determined.</p> <p>--Michael Johnson (Instructional Initiatives) reported that the October meeting had a great turnout and their next meeting will be held November 19 at ESC Room 240 and the topic will be on the State Report Card update.</p> <p>--Larry Bury (Finance) - reported that Jeff King discussed improvements to be done by the district.</p>
9	<p>A motion to adjourn was made by Matt Hovey and seconded by Brock Friedman. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 pm. for the Roadmap to Engagement presentation.</p>
10	<p>Mary Fergus and Karla Jimenez spoke on family engagement in the district, seeing more parents attending conferences and other events. This helps towards student success. Discussed different ways to become and stay engaged with their children's education. A discussion panel consisting of parents and principals sharing their engagement experiences within the district. The parents discussed their reasons for becoming involved and the principals discussed how they work to engage the families of their students.</p>



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