

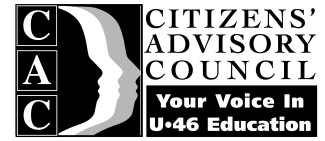
U-46 Citizens' Advisory Council

NOTES OF MEETING

TODAY'S DATE 2016-01-25	MEETING DATE 2016-01-14	MINUTES APPROVED 2015-02-11
MEETING TITLE CAC General Council Meeting	AUTHOR Kevin Sweeney	

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

	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION
1	Meeting called to order at 7:01pm.
2	Introductions and opening remarks by Melissa Owens.
3	A motion was made by Brock Friedman to approve the minutes of the December General Council Meeting. Seconded by Roger Wallace. Approved unanimously.
4	<p>An update for the Board of Education was given by Sue Kerr.</p> <p>The BoE approved contracts to pay for ACT and SAT testing this year. Illinois is switching to the SAT as its standard test. However, as current Juniors have been preparing for the ACT, both testing options will be made available.</p> <p>The BoE has modified the proposed 2016-2017 school calendar based on public feedback, and will vote on this at its January 25th meeting. There is also an effort to establish standard guidelines for calendar development for future years.</p> <p>The BoE approved a modified version of boundaries changes submitted by CAC at its last meeting.</p> <p>Budget planning for 2017 is ongoing.</p>
5	<p>Dr. Kenneth Arndt, Interim Superintendent, gave an update for Administration.</p> <p>Dr. Arndt gave some biographical information. He has worked in public education for 40 years.</p> <p>Administration is studying implementation of full-day kindergarten in anticipation of full approval by the Board of Education.</p> <p>The 5 Essentials survey is important. All parents should respond. A school needs a 20% response rate to see results from its surveys.</p>



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6	<p>Special Education Committee update by Melissa Owens.</p> <p>There will be no resource fair this year because too few exhibitors committed to attend.</p> <p>At a meeting to be held on February 16th in Room 240 at 355 E. Chicago Street at 6:30pm, the committee will discuss elementary math in relation to students with individual education plans.</p>
7	<p>Family and Community Engagement Committee update by Madeleine Villalobos.</p> <p>All PTA/PTO members are invited to a district-wide meeting at Gail Borden Library to be held on February 2nd at 6:30pm. Craig Williams will be available to answer questions about technology issues.</p> <p>The committee is planning a Realtor breakfast at Elgin High School at 9am on February 4th. Tony Sanders will be present to talk about alignment for career education.</p> <p>The committee will not put out a survey this year to avoid competing with the 5 Essentials survey.</p>
8	<p>Finance and Legislative Committee meeting has been moved to February 20th.</p>
9	<p>Call for public comments. None received.</p>
10	<p>John Heiderscheidt, Director of School Safety and Culture, gave a presentation about Safe and Nurturing Schools.</p> <p>The presentation can be found here: http://www.u46cac.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Safety-Culture-2016-Annual-Report-new-format.pdf</p>
11	<p>A motion to adjourn was made by Brock Friedman and seconded by Madeleine Villalobos. The motion passed unanimously.</p>
12	<p>The meeting adjourned at 9:09pm</p>