

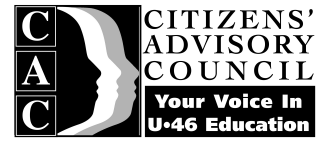
NOTES OF MEETING

TODAY'S DATE: **2018-09-17** MEETING DATE: **2018-09-13** MINUTES APPROVED: **2018-10-11**

MEETING TITLE: **CAC General Council Meeting** AUTHOR: **Dana Weiby**

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

	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION
1	Called to order at 7:05 p.m.
2	Lisa Hopp welcomed guests.
3	Approval of the minutes of the May general meeting was postponed until the October general meeting.
4	<p>Sue Kerr gave an update for the Board of Education.</p> <p>--The 2018 Summer Reading Challenge, in partnership with local library districts, had almost 3700 U-46 elementary students participate. Lincoln Elementary and Washington Elementary received special recognition at a recent BOE meeting.</p> <p>-- The Bartlett Hawks played their inaugural football game under the lights 2 weeks ago. The new Bartlett High School Activity Complex features a press box, lighting, and permanent bleacher seating for 1500 fans, in addition to the field.</p> <p>-- The 11th annual Principal for a Day event will take place on December 7. If interested in participating, contact Karla Jimenez, Coordinator of Family & Community Engagement, at karlajimenez@u-46.org.</p> <p>--Explore 2018 Career Expo was held yesterday at the Sears Centre. Nearly 3000 eighth graders attended with their classes during the school day. 86 industry and business partners participated. Middle school counselors will do follow-up lessons with students. Organizers are looking for a way to incorporate parents in next year's event and possibly include high school students. (Slideshow from Explore was shown.)</p> <p>--U46Engage informational sessions for kindergarten parents will be held on September 20 (English) and September 25 (Spanish) at Elgin High School Library.</p>
5	<p>Tony Sanders gave an update for District Administration.</p> <p>--Tony introduced members of his cabinet (Dr. Suzanne Johnson, Dr. Jeff King, Dr. Ushma Shah, Dr. Josh Carpenter, Lela Majstorovic, Melanie Meidel, Ron Raglin, Brian Lindholm, and Mary Fergus) and more than 20 school principals in attendance.</p> <p>--Pathways feedback has been appreciated. Administration will be sharing an updated proposal on Educational Pathways with the Board of Ed. on September 24.</p> <p>--The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) will mean some changes for the School Report Card coming out in October. On October 2, admin will present a high school overview of ESSA and the School Report Cards.</p> <p>--U-46 is anticipating approx. \$42 million in new funding this year. We have invested in Chromebooks for all high schoolers, brought back middle school counselors, and have been working toward staffing grades K-2 at a maximum of 28 students per class. Admin will be focusing this year on a data review at each school with school leadership and School Improvement Plan (SIP) teams. They will also look at how 1:1 tech devices are being used and accreditation for all district schools as an extra layer of accountability.</p>



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6	<p>Public comment: Brock Friedman thanked administration for organizing the Explore Career Expo. Other parents commented that their students wished that they had more time at the expo and that there should have been more exhibitors for professions requiring a college degree. Admin noted that exhibitors said they enjoyed their interaction with the students.</p> <p>Lisa Hopp and Julie Winterhalder reminded meeting attendees that the Open House Nights for the district's 5 academies will be on September 17 and 18. Application deadline for academies is Oct. 15. Julie also shared a flyer from the Beacon Academy of Media and Digital Arts at South Elgin High School. Copies were available for reps to take back to their schools. Colleen Trongnetpanya suggested sending academy info out to middle school parents earlier in the year since there seemed to not be enough advance notice for the Academy Open Houses.</p>
7	<p>Lisa Hopp discussed the role of the CAC and its representatives. The School Board created CAC more than 60 years ago to explore issues as requested by the Board, bring forward concerns, and present non-binding recommendations to the Board. Members represent their school's interests and take info back to the school. Committee work is where ideas are created.</p>
8	<p>Committees for 2018-2019:</p> <p>Family & Community Engagement (FACE)--Chairs: Matt Hovey, Phil Novello, Vanessa Castellan. First meeting: 9/26</p> <p>Student Safety—Chair: Megan Larson. First meeting: 9/26</p> <p>Specialized Student Services—Chairs: Sarah Thompson, Rebecca Miller, Sarah Siddiqui. Next meeting: 9/19.</p> <p>Instructional Initiatives—Chairs: Tracy Kelly, Michael Johnson. First meeting: 10/16</p> <p>Finance—Chair: Dan Blake. First meeting: 9/27</p> <p>Ad hoc Board of Ed. Candidate Forum—Committee will meet November through March to plan the March 13 candidate forum.</p> <p>After adjournment, reps can sign up for a committee.</p>
9	<p>A motion to adjourn was made by Brock Friedman and seconded by Matt Hovey. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.</p>