

Skinner North LSC Meeting
4/11/2018 at 5:00 p.m. in the School Library
Official Minutes of LSC Meeting

1. Call to Order
 - a. LSC President Nicolle Heller (NH) called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

2. Establish Quorum
 - a. A quorum was established at 5:07 p.m. with the following members present:
 - LSC President Nicolle Heller (NH)
 - LSC Vice President Shannon Pokornik (SP)
 - LSC Secretary Holly Tomchey (HT)
 - Katherine Magnuson (Principal) (P.KM)
 - LSC FOIA officer Conor Sullivan (CS)
 - LSC Parent Representative Gabrielle Sansonetti (GS) arrived at 5:15 p.m.
 - LSC Community Representative Frances Zemans (FZ)
 - LSC Teacher Representative Johanna Jacobson (JJ)
 - LSC Teacher Representative Kelly Mulligan (KM)
 - LSC Non-Teaching Staff Representative Ramiro Santillan (RS)

 - b. The following members were not physically present:
 - LSC Community Representative Judy Stevens (JS)
 - LSC Parent Representative Mia Beckman (MB)

3. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. Motion to approve made by NH.
 - b. Seconded by KM.
 - c. All members physically present voted in favor of the motion.

4. Public Participation

5. Approval of Minutes for March 14, 2018
 - a. Approval of Open Meeting Minutes
 - b. Motion to approve made by NH.
 - c. Seconded by CS.
 - d. All members physically present voted in favor of the motion, except FZ who abstained.

6. LSC- Chairperson Report. None: Defer to Principal Report.

7. Principal Report
 - a. GS arrived.

CIWP committee meeting: parents and staff were present and reviewed strategies and started developing our action steps.

Weekly grade level meetings. Our monthly cycles will focus on 1) Social Emotional Learning, 2) Peer Observation, 3) Reflection, and 4) Multi-Tiered Systems of Support.

Teachers release days in March focused on instructional planning and design.

Teachers are completing peer observations. ILT meeting will occur next week.

Ms. Ridgway is now on sabbatical for Golden Apple and taking classes at Northwestern. Ms. Shah is teaching 7th and 8th grade math. Mr. Schroeder is teaching one section of 7th grade math.

REACH observations of teachers: during these, observation cycles we meet with teachers to discuss instruction, observe and provide feedback.

MTSS team is monitoring progress of identified students and also creating toolkit for teachers to access. Skinner North NWEA website is available at <https://www.skinnernorthmtss.com/>.

A team of staff is attending the Social Thinking Conference this month.

Math PLC continuing to develop lesson study.

JJ continuing to leading flex days for teachers with topic restorative practices.

Completing PARCC testing this week and next week we will complete make ups.

Illinois Science Assessment for students in 5th and 8th grade will happen April 17 (8th grade) and April 24 (5th).

A group of our students left for Spain on Saturday for a two week trip. During the trip they will learn more about Spanish culture and language. They are visit students who came earlier in the year. Senor Schroeder and Mr. Popowich are chaperoning the trip.

Mental Health Organization of Greater Chicago came and lead discussion on stress and anxiety for students.

Hosting Advanced Weekend Experience for students on April 21 and 22. Topics include Programming 3D (3-4) and Stop Motion Animation (5-6).

Hosted Pi Day recitation competition/pep assembly. At the pep assembly, we had visitors from the 18th precinct thank our students for the cards they had made and shared their appreciation for lifting them up during a hard time after the loss of Commander Bauer. Student comedian shared jokes and winners got to pie teachers/me in the face. Most digits recited was 262!

Mayor visited our 8th grade and one of our 3rd grade rooms. He learned about History Fair and 3rd grades Chicago unit.

Large group of students moving on to Metro Chicago History Fair: "The Path to Citizenship" by Armaan, Naomi-Erin, Rayan, Zaira, Nathan, and Adriana has won 3rd Place in the annual Lincoln Project Script contest.

8th grade student found out their High School acceptances.

Students Acceptance to SEHS			
	2016	2017	2018
School	% of Students	% of Students	% of Students
Jones	22.2%	10.7%	20.0%
Lane	5.6%	17.9%	10.0%
Northside	5.6%	14.3%	3.3%
Walter Payton	22.2%	21.4%	30.0%
Whitney Young	22.2%	7.1%	16.7%
Lindblom	5.6%		6.7%
Westinghouse			3.3%
N/A	16.7%	28.6%	10.0%

Student Choice Number and Acceptance for SEHS	
Choice #	% of Student Who Received Offer
SEHS #1 choice	56.7%
SEHS #2 choice	13.3%
SEHS #3	3.3%

SEHS #4	10.0%
SEHS #5	6.7%
NO SEHS selected	10.0%
SEHS Acceptance Rate	90.0%

Monthly newsletter sent out to inform parents of special events and important information and questions for administration section.

Hosted Parent Workshop on stress and anxiety in students is sponsored by the Service Committee and presented by the Mental Health Association of Greater Chicago.

Hosted Literacy Night on March 22. Thank you to all of our parent volunteers and teachers who made Literacy Night a success! Students were able to write and tell their story to our very own Alexander Hamilton, play reading games, create digital storyboards, make hungry caterpillars, put on a show of/watch the Lorax and read while relaxing. It was a fun event!

Hosted Parent-Teacher coffees in March.

We have a full slate for our LSC election to be held on April 18. Campaign literature submitted by candidates by the April 10 deadline will be passed out on April 16.

Provided summary of Parent survey in the past newsletter.

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Quarter Projects	Report Card Pick Up	Instructional Program	Climate
<p>Majority of respondents feel the projects are meaningful learning opportunities to apply skills and concepts that students are learning.</p> <p>We have room to grow in reviewing our quarter projects to further support student ownership over the projects. The goals of</p>	<p>The majority of respondents prefer our current/historic time frame (8:30-3:30) for Report Card Pick Up. That coupled with high attendance at RCPU leads us to keeping the current time. (Please always feel free to reach out if this time frame does not work for you, so we can work together</p>	<p>Vast majority of respondents feel the curriculum is supportive of students' needs and student/teacher relationships are strong.</p> <p>Most feel homework is always or often appropriate for their child. However, most</p>	<p>Vast majority of respondents feel the school is a welcoming and supportive place. We always strive to create an inclusive and welcoming environment and will continue to work to make sure everyone feels this. Please always feel comfortable to reach</p>
<p>doing quarterly projects are to help students develop: further problem solving and critical thinking skills; time management skills; responsibility; high interest levels to further engage students in their understanding/learning.</p>	<p>to find a time.)</p>	<p>feel homework over breaks should never or sometimes be given.</p> <p>We will review this feedback to think about planning for summer and next year.</p>	<p>out.</p>

Embedding diversity training throughout the year to help support communication and understanding of varied viewpoints. Teachers and administration are active participants

Meeting regularly with principal mentor.

Attend New Principal Walkthrough at Newberry School.

Collaborating with Decatur to host Center for Talent Development classes.

Attend National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. Working with Math department to have a speaker come to our next LSC meeting.

Attended Network 4 administrator's meeting.

8. Committee Reports

a. Principal Hiring/Retention/Evaluation Committee presented by NH.

- i. Productive meeting on Monday by Evaluation Committee to review P.KM.
- ii. Discuss evaluation in closed session at the May 16, 2018 LSC meeting in closed session. Vote in open session.
- iii. Principal evaluation must be completed and entered by May 30, 2018

b. CIWP Committee presented by KM.

- i. Stakeholder meetings have been held.
- ii. Action items to support student voice.

- iii. Deadline in May.
- c. Skinner North Upper Grades (SNUG) Committee presented by GS.
 - i. Overnight Springfield trip this Spring for 7th Graders is finalized. FOSN contributed about \$5,000 towards the trip which drives the per family cost down to \$140.00.
 - ii. 7th Grade committee has been prepping for 8th grade Super Store responsibilities.
 - iii. Volunteer and chair positions open in SNUG.
 - iv. Logo contest underway
 - v. NWEA test prep class underway.
- d. Wellness Committee presented by (SP). Focusing on:
 - i. Working with SNUG on future walk-a-thon.
 - ii. Next Wellness Committee meeting on May 9th.
 - iii. Finalizing Proud to be Me—after school event on May 17th, all are welcome.
- 9. Old Business
 - a. Budget transfers and approvals
 - i. None
- 10. Public Participation.
 - a. FOSN
 - b. Focus on respect of school personnel during Parent Appreciation Week
- 11. New Business.
 - a. Select date to certify LSC election results (April 20-26): Friday April 20, 2018 at 8:15 a.m.
- 12. Adjournment
 - a. Motion to adjourn made by NH at 6:10 p.m.
 - b. Seconded by HT.
 - c. All members physically present voted in favor of the motion.

Next meeting is May 16, 2018 @ 8:30 a.m.