

Summary



Parent Communication Council Summary

Monday, October 5, 2009

Dinner 6-6:30 pm

Meeting 6:30-7:30 pm

Leon Smaage Administration Center, 777 E. Algonquin Road, Des Plaines, IL 60016

Attendees	Jean Marella (AMS); Mary Jane Sullivan (PL); Kristin Sorensen (CE); Gina Cheeks (CU); Julie (Wolves); Brenda Murphy (BOE: Dr. Jane Westerhold, Paul Hertel, Dr. Diep Nguyen, Nelson Gray, Brad Voehringer, Seth Bowers (AC)	
Time	Item	Owner
6-6:30	Introductions/Dinner	Mindy Ward
6:30-6:35	Board of Education Update President Murphy discussed the three-year goals that the Board approved at its August meeting.	Brenda Murphy
6:35-7	<p>2009-2010 School Year Preview</p> <p>Dr. Westerhold shared that Standard and Poors assigned its 'AA+' rating to the district. This will assist in the General Obligation and Build America Bond sales, which will finance the facility improvements and additions. She shared the construction plan that will conclude in 2012. Algonquin, Chippewa, Cumberland, and Forest additions/renovations and transportation (site) improvements will begin by next spring. Transportation improvements will take place at Iroquois. All work at these facilities will finish by fall, 2010.</p> <p>Paul Hertel shared the sixth day enrollment figures. Enrollment increased from last year. The complete report may be found at http://www.d62.org/schoolboard/dashboardreports.html</p> <p>Dr. Nguyen is looking for parents to volunteer on a Gifted Education Review Committee. Information may be found at http://www.d62.org/resources/parents.html</p> <p>Due to the planned facility improvements, Nelson Gray asked all parent groups to work with principals and district administrators before implementing fundraisers for audio/visual equipment.</p> <p>Brad Voehringer outlined the most current information regarding the Cook County Public Health department's plan for H1N1 vaccinations in public schools. He also shared the progress in planning the Early Childhood Center addition at Forest and controlled entrances at the rest of the schools.</p> <p>Seth Bowers announced that 450 computers will be replaced this year. A modern library inventory system allows parents to check the district's resources online. Broadband is being installed. This will increase the District's capacity 25 times. Currently, the District's</p>	<p>Dr. Jane Westerhold</p> <p>Paul Hertel</p> <p>Dr. Diep Nguyen</p> <p>Nelson Gray</p> <p>Brad Voehringer</p> <p>Seth Bowers</p>

	capacity is similar to a home system.	
7-7:10	Chicago Wolves Promotion/Fundraiser Julie from the Wolves shared information for fundraisers.	Julie
7:10-7:20	<p>Parent Leader Survey results were shared</p> <p>Logo Design process was covered. If schools would like to redesign their newsletter, Community Relations will work with Julie Nykiel to provide this service.</p> <p>ALERTNOW-parents should not hang up and hit redial when an AlertNow message reaches them during the day. An article about this is posted to the Parent Resource page of the district website and was sent to schools for parent newsletters.</p> <p>Holiday Tree Decorating, Friday, December 4, 3:15 pm, Metropolitan Square, Letters were sent last week. This is the same night as the tree lighting. There is NO rain date.</p> <p>Meetings-The PCC meeting schedule is posted to the Internet. Individual parent groups have links on school websites. Newsletters, meeting agendas and summaries, as well as general announcements should be posted.</p> <p>2009-2010 Budgets – Please send Mindy a copy of your budget, or the url, if it is posted online.</p> <p>Friday, October 23 is the deadline for the 2009 Winter Card Design Contest. Information is posted to the Student Resource page.</p>	Mindy
7:20-7:25	<p>“I have a question...”</p> <p>Newsletters were discussed. Schools should post a color pdf to their site. Some schools still need to send hard copies. All school announcements, publications, etc. should be emailed to Ejaz Syed, webmaster, at syede@d62.org. Mindy should be copied.</p>	All
7:25-7:30	PARKING LOT	All
7:30	Adjournment	Mindy

Next Meeting: Monday, November 30, 7 pm, Administrative Center