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Local School Council Meeting Agenda Oct. 16th, 6pm, West Campus

1. Call to Order: 6:02pm
2. Roll call and Verification of Quorum
 - a. David Ramos, President Present
 - b. Lloyd Hervey II, Vice President Present
 - c. Michael Beyer, Secretary Present
 - d. Simeon Henderson, Staff Present on phone
 - e. Thea Kachoris-Flores, Parent Present
 - f. Debora Land, Parent Present
 - g. Jezail Jackson, Teacher Present
 - h. Christopher McCabe, Teacher Present
 - i. Rupa Ramadurai, Community Present
 - j. Mary Schwartz, Community Present
 - k. Marwan Shamseldin, Student Present
 - l. Rachael Toft, Parent Present
 - m. Kizzy McCray, Parent Present on phone
3. Approval of Agenda/Meeting Minutes
 - a. Agenda: Beyer asks for amendment to add West Campus fundraiser. All approve.
 - b. Minutes: Beyer motions, McCabe seconds, all approve
4. Announcements and Welcoming of Guests:
5. Public Comments*
 - Joseph B.– had questions at LSC meeting; did not receive response; wants to know how we will respond to his previous questions
 - Rebecca W. – mentioned that there are people that want to hurt Ogden and that there is an anonymous website; but she wants to focus on allowing administration to do their work
6. Reports
 - High School Student
 - Survey conducted to students about block schedule: freshmen and sophomores liked it more uniformly; however, juniors and seniors had more mixed responses. Overall, 61% of students think that block schedule is improvement or useful. Only 8% said they did not like it.
 - BAC – ELL had first advisory committee meeting last week; ELL parents selected new BAC committee; second meeting will be at Jenner campus
 - Friends of Ogden
 - We have two new board members, Paul Gee who is a parent with a child at Jenner campus, and Gabrielle Rose who is a teacher at Jenner Campus
 - We are still finalizing details on a person to help with fundraising
 - We recently funded the middle school and high school robotics team requests
 - We also funded books for Kindergarten

LSC Members:

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- Working on planning for the 2019 Soiree – more details to follow
- Thank you to all who attended the Fall Kick Off at Lux Bar – it was very well attended with many new parents and old as well.
- Working on a give back opportunity with Golub and one with Barnes and Noble.
- **Booster Club** – Planning on fundraiser on November 4 at 11 AM (adult only); more details to come
- **Wellness Team** - 1st meeting on October 10; working on items to meet compliance for Healthy CPS
- **PTA** – Michelle Berman presented report.
Just finished membership drive
Upcoming events
 - Pumpkins in the Park 5k on October 20
 - Costume drive prior to October 31 to have costumes available for students
 - Halloween parade (through Washington Park, weather permitting)
 - Spelling Bee in November (likely grades 2-4; suggestion to include grade 5)
- **PTO** – Dinna Trovero presented report
Distributed PTO calendar for approval
 - *Motion by Ms. Debora Land to approve; 2nd Lloyd Hervey; approved by LSC*
 Upcoming event: Haunted House/Costume contest on October 26 at 5 PM; looking for volunteers
95 current members
- **Diversity Committee** – Senitra Griffin presented report
 - Shuttle bus: will make timing recommendations to ensure students arrive on time
 - CPS volunteer process: thanked Rickie Wright for helping with process
 - The committee is reviewing their committee goals and updating their website
 - Next meeting: November 8 at East Campus (second Thursday of every month)
 - Keeping the committee to parents only, unless invited by committee to address particular topics
- **PPLC**
East campus: Jezail Jackson presented report; met twice since last LSC meeting
Jezail discussed East campus's curriculum and differentiation approaches and SEL practices implemented in classrooms. She provided some examples including: pop check-ins to give opportunities for children to tell teachers how they are feeling, productive struggle to help kids work through challenging situations. Other areas of focus include: improving attendance and working on strategies to increase communication to families, mClass, used to monitor student growth; distribution of working habits report along with progress reports; and available snacks in each classroom.

Jenner campus: Chris McCabe presented report. He discussed rigor and different components (academic, ethics) and how to drive through effective rubrics.

Student Voice Committee: we are averaging over 20 students from 5th-8th grade at each meeting.

Students identified areas of focus: school safety, bullying, how to guide teachers to differentiate.

Elections for class representatives will be held next week; the committee will then meet bi-weekly.

West campus: Matt Baker presented report. The high school is focusing on goals from the CIWP, including criteria-based grading, approaches to learning (soft skills), and rigorous tasks.

- **Principal Report**
 - 1. Due to the merge, Is Ogden eligible for Title 1 Funds? If so, a Parent Advisory Committee is needed. Has this process started?
 - Ogden did not qualify for Title I funds. CPS gave us the equivalent in transition funds. No PAC is required.
 - 2. What's the status of the CIWP? When will it be reviewed with the LSC? This helps determine School priorities and budget necessities.
 - I'd like to share and review every LSC meeting as part of my report, but this has been distracted by ongoing allegations.
 - I have weekly meetings at each campus to review progress.

- 3. What is the current status of the budget? Is there a way to provide updates in between LSC scheduled meetings. LSC needs this information in order to make informed decisions about funds transfers.
 - Budget documents are shared every month with the LSC.
- 4. What happened with the assault incident and how are things being handled? Does this affect the distribution of federal grant money?
 - Student incidents do not affect funding.
 - The situation has been handled under the direction of the District and the Network.
 - A communication was sent to Ogden community. Nothing more can be discussed due to the legalities of it being students under 18.
- 5. Principal Warning Resolution 1/27/16
 - Principal was part of an ISBE task force and it was the consensus that ISBE was not being true in carrying out the mandate from the legislature. I voiced our concern, which led to a warning resolution.
- 6. Allegations that parents need to sign NDA's for volunteers.
 - We have had experiences of parents sharing information about students and we expect confidentiality.
 - We no longer ask parents to sign this form, and have not used it regularly since 2015.
- 7. When is the school report card (SQRP) and principal evaluation distributed this month?
 - Waiting for CPS to release. HS will likely be Level 1+, ES will be Level 1.
- 8. Allegations that Tier 3 handouts are being sent out directly to parents; in kindergarten and 1st grade.
 - "Handouts"? Students new to Ogden are receiving supports for the first time in many years. Cara Kranz and team gave this presentation: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1ggS6YZ1Y-imWyV8ffNAc8f-uCfuaa9KEM-goSwe5g9s/edit#slide=id.g447eab24e0_0_185
- 9. Whats the status regarding the shuttle process? What was the final draft of the parent contract for the shuttle?
 - Contract is on hold. Shuttles remain in place.
- 10. Who has access to the LSC gmail in order to review the comments? Have the comments from the last LSC meeting been addressed?
 - LSC Gmail is automatically forwarded to Principal, who always forwards to LSC. All comments have been shared.
- 11. LSC members relationship with public audience during meetings.
 - Defer to LSC.
- 12. Nomoresidelines.com School Survey Site "Standing Together at Ogden & Jenner"
 - This site is not in any way authorized by any official parent group at Ogden.
- 13. \$322,000 in 115 SBB funds owed back to district due to shortfall in enrollment at the HS. Reduced to \$247,000 with support from Network.
- Fundraising proposal: November 1 Dia De Los Muertos Arts Night at high school; expected \$1,000 profit: *Motion to approve by Rupa Ramadurai; seconded by Debora Land; unanimously approved*

- Budget Items/Transfers

7. New Business

- Student fees
 - The prior local school council voted on establishing student fees
 - Families have ability to ask for waiver based on financial needs
 - Critical for running the school
- PTO membership
 - There are former Jenner families included in the PTO membership
- LSC Meeting locations
 - Concern raised by LSC member that meetings move between campuses and make it difficult for some members to attend.
 - Rotating locations gives community access to /from all campuses
 - Members that cannot attend in person can call-in. Transportation assistance has also been provided.

8. Old Business

- Naming of merged school
Motion to remove this from the agenda by Debra Land; seconded by Jezail Jackson; unanimously approved

9. Public Comments*

- Ms. Mora: Been there for 27 years and 8 principals. It takes a lot of volunteers to run the school. If parents have something to contribute, please come and volunteer.
- Ms. Bhimani: Referenced Diversity Report and wants to know how school is responding.
- Ms. Conley: Is there a mechanism to buddy up and support parents? Is there a change in where volunteers are allowed to be at East campus?

10. Adjourn

Christopher McCabe made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Rupa Ramadurai; unanimously approved to adjourn.

Note: Items not listed on the Agenda may be discussed but cannot be voted or acted upon. In addition, the Council may enter Closed Session as the need arises during the course of the meeting.

*For the sake of time, public comments are limited to two minutes. You are required to sign up to speak but can do so once the meeting begins. Comments should only occur during public comments if they are signed up to speak.

If you are interested in sharing additional comments with the LSC, please email OgdenLSC@gmail.com.

The LSC is responsible for three main duties: 1. Approving how school funds and resources are allocated, 2. Developing and monitoring the annual School Improvement Plan, 3. Evaluating and selecting the school's principal.