Council Minutes (Parent Action Council – PAC)

Date: December 3, 2015

Place: District Office, 801 N. 11th Street, St. Louis, MO 63101

Presiding Officer: Leonard Stewart Sr.

St. Louis Public Schools represented by parents:

- 1. Clyde C. Miller Career Academy High School
- 2. Lyon Academy-Blow Elementary School
- 3. Mason Elementary School
- 4. Gateway STEM High School +**
- 5. Wilkinson EEC
- 6. Mallinckrodt
- 7. Gateway Elementary
- 8. Carver Elementary +**
- 9. Northwest **
- 10. Stix **
- 11. Vashon +**
- 12. Hamilton +**
- 13. Jefferson **
- 14. Central VPA
- 15. Pamoja @Cole **

**A FCS was present for that school

+** Parent and FCS was present for that school

Staff Members: Jeffery Rhone, Juliette Campbell, Teresa Jones and 9 FCS

<u>Minutes</u>

- The meeting opened at 6:35 pm.
- Mr. Stewart open by welcoming parents, students and staff.
- Overview of printed minutes were passed out. The minutes were first and second by Marlene Rhodes and Joyce White. Parenting, Communication, Learning at Home, Decision Making and Bell Time Task Force.
 - Parenting- Collaborating with Gateway Greenery for interest in a Little Library to increase parent engagement with family reading in mind. Working with Laclede School for greater participation/involvement of parents and selection of 2 parents to attend monthly meetings as requested.
 - Communication Committee- To ensure that members can participate in as many meetings as possible, the Communications committee has established a conference line that we can use. They are also still looking for information to post on our website.
 - Learning at Home- currently working on a video for the website. Also having a conference call meeting on 12/27/2015.
 - Decision Making Committee- Some of our members are visiting some local FACE organizations to start to gather information on how they operate. That information will allow us to put together a brochure or recommendation for the group.

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- *Bell Time Task Force* The survey was delayed and that has slowed our progress. We are working with the District to get the survey out as soon as possible so we will be able to finalize our recommendations. We would like to present to the PAC in January.
- The presentation took place and Rick Sullivan from SAB presented. Mr. Sullivan gave some general information about SAB and went right into answering questions. The details were as follows:
 - Mr. Sullivan indicated he was proud of what PAC stood for and any recommendations we are working on don't hesitate to contact him.
 - Building looks: Cleanliness falls on the principal and they have the means to know how to get things done. If it deals with maintenance that is another issues because they have to find the funds. The chain of command is in order. If they can't get the proper person to get the job done, then they contact Dr. Adams.
 - Good ideas that were addressed to pursue getting volunteers. It was brought up that union-employees have fought these types of labor because it stops their income. But Mr. Sullivan said if the PAC get something going he is willing to stand behind the organization.
 - Pre-school: Address why they are not full day. He didn't have the answer and he would work on getting that information.
 - Informed us that accreditation does not affect funding.
 - Addressed that the district received our accreditation and discussed the point system.
 - Discussed the recommendation of selling close buildings.
 - The discussion came out about Mr. Sullivan term ending and how the transition would take place. Mr. Sullivan indicated no one knows but he will make the transition as smooth as possible.
- The bylaw revision was discussed and the vote took place. It was moved into motion by Mr. Bradley and seconded by Ms. Murry. The vote was passed to change the wording in the bylaws for Section 4 Secretary.
- New Business
 - After the discussion with Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Stewart indicated working on the buildings is his trade and he would work on this matter and table it for the new year.
- The committee went into their breakout sessions took place.
- Adjournment 7:26 pm