

Oak Park Elementary School District 97

May 9, 2017

League Member Observer: Ameri Klafeta

Meeting Start 7:09 pm

Roll Call: Attendees: Dr. Carol Kelley- Superintendent, Holly Spurlock (via Skype) - Board President, Jim O'Connor - Vice President, Sheryl Mariner- Secretary, Rupa Datta, Katherine Murray-Leibl, Rob Breymaier, Keecia Broy. Absent: Robert Spatz

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Public Comment

- i. Several Brooks parents spoke regarding their concern about safety in the school. A Brooks parent who holds a PhD in diversity and democracy believes the school does not have proper procedures in place to decrease the chances of problems happening. Another parent expressed concern that we need to be concerned about "all children" not just "our children."
- ii. Two Mann parents expressed concern that the only option for kindergarten classes are combined classes of approximately 40 students, with two teachers per classroom. They presented a petition with 80 signatures from Mann parents in support of a single-classroom option.
- iii. A community member raised a concern that the District is not in compliance with Senate Rule 100, which addresses restorative justice, establishing a parent advisory committee, professional development activities for staff, and ongoing discussions with parents.
- iv. A Brooks parent requested a response to a comment made in a January meeting regarding a review of the policy regarding transfers. He stated that he never received a response.
- v. A community member requested a response to a March 28 e-mail regarding Mrs. Hamilton, and what the Board is about.

II. SPECIAL REPORTS

A. Holmes Facilities Update

- i. The Board was presented with two options, one for the east side and one for the west side of the school. Only one cost estimate was presented and Breymaier asked for both estimates.

B. End of Year Update

- i. Several administrators spoke regarding end-of-the year activities, equity and discipline, and the multicultural collection moving to the Oak Park library.

III. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Meeting Minutes and Consent Agenda – All items were approved.
- B. The eRate contract was presented and approved.

IV. BOARD ASSIGNMENTS

- i. **CLAIM.** This committee would have an upcoming presentation regarding school funding.
- ii. **Diversity Council.** The PTOs are developing a diversity council, with one representative from each PTO.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- A. The final 2016-2017 calendar with change to remove snow days was approved.
- B. Custodial bids were presented. The selection was not the cheapest, but due to lack of storage, items now need to be shipped right to schools. The vendor selected could do that next day.

Meeting End 10:04 pm