

Date: May 30, 2019

Subject: Minutes of Leadership Council Meeting, 1:40 – 2:45pm

Attending: see sign in sheet. Note that Summer Scott-Sexton and Michelle Butler attended via phone – as confirmed by Andrea Shreeman, Kent Hill and Steve Gediman.

Quorum: Andrea Shreeman notes that we have a quorum. Steve Gediman initiates the meeting.

1. **INTRODUCTION. Steve Gediman introduces the topic:** we are here to discuss and vote on replacement of prior LAUSD/UTLA waiver request from April 2019 to be replaced with new waiver request dated today, May 30, 2019. See handouts available to all attending = prior waiver request - dated 4/22/2019 and signed 4/23/2019; new waiver request - dated May 30, 2019.
  - a. **The change.** The change specifically is to point B.5, regarding date of parent/community representative election. Prior waiver request indicated to be held during first month of school; new waiver request indicates election to be held in the month of May.
  - b. **Rationale for the change.**
    - i. The change brings the election to more be more in line with our school Charter.
    - ii. The change will also present an improvement for the benefit of the school, because it will give due time and continuity to the parent leadership representative team to transition into the new, upcoming school year. This is particularly important this year, as the school is working to renew our long-standing charter.
2. **DISCUSSION.** The group had a healthy discussion of the pros and cons of the change. Strong agreement that keeping alignment with the Charter is good, as is giving time and continuity to charter rewrite team; beyond the benefit to the school, it was pointed out that point B.2 of the prior (April) waiver actually did not ask to waive part of the LAUSD/UTLA agreement, so new language is more appropriate.
3. **VOTE:**
  - a. Show of hands among parents: unanimous in favor of May election and putting forward new waiver request. Summer Scott-Sexton and Michelle Buttler affirm by phone conference that they concur with this. Andrea Shreeman, parent representative of leadership council, signed for parent constituency.)
  - b. Roger Harrell, confirms teachers in support and signs for teacher constituency, in favor of May election and putting forward new waiver request.
  - c. Steve Gediman confirms approval and signs for putting forward new waiver request.
  - d. Donna Wabnig – classified representative ...?
4. **DISCUSS METHOD OF BALLOT.** How to do balloting was discussed.
  - a. Donna Wabnig commented on how done in some past elections – ballots made available to community and then turned in via voting box.
  - b. Steve Gediman – the school staff could use assistance preparing the ballots.
  - c. Several people commented on method. Miria Jo pointed out that there is information in UTLA-CBA regarding specifics. These were reviewed by the group. General agreement that two-envelope system – one with ballot + outside one with family name, as per

UTLA-CBA agreement, is a good mechanism. Miria can assist office with preparing ballots, and using the existing flyer of candidate biography statements is a good starting point for ballot.

- d. Question arose as to how many candidates each family should vote for. Decided that there are two parent representative slots open, so each family vote for two. As per instructions in UCLC-CBA agreement and Charter, the 2 candidates receiving the most votes to be appointed to two available slots, with the next 2 highest vote recipients being appointed as alternates.
5. **DISCUSS VOTING PERIOD.**
    - a. It was pointed out that 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be away from school on Fri, May 31. Thus, agreed by all that voting to continue Fri, May 31 to Tues, June 4. Ballot box to be kept in office.
  6. **ADJOURN.** Roger Harrell called mtg to be adjourned. Seconded by ...?