

DRAFT: Thursday, September 11, 2019 Agassiz LSC Meeting Agenda
8:00AM Agassiz Music Room
All are Welcome

1. **Call To Order 8:00AM:** A quorum was reached at 8:04. Oliver motions to call to order. Nick seconds.
2. **Roll Call:** 9 present, 2 absent: Dave Rench, Tina M. Holder, Chirag Mehta, Mira Webber, Oliver Williams, Carrie George, Nick Hall, Marilyn Rosario-Caro, Jackie Price

Absent: Michael Allen; Sarah Ogeto

3. **Approval of Agenda:** Oliver motions to approve. Nick seconds. Unanimously passes.
4. **Approval of minutes:** Carrie motions to approve. Jackie seconds. Chirag raised question regarding the status of the revised by-laws discussed during the July meeting. Mira indicated that she was in the process of incorporating the edits discussed and would distribute the updated by-laws to the board upon completion. Motion to approve the July minutes passes unanimously.

5. Principal's report:

Additional detail was provided in response to questions from the board as follows:

- The \$3000 grant obtained by Ms Taguchi for Japanese language instruction is not annual. Because of the variety of language offerings at the high school level, Mira does not foresee a negative impact on enrollment or high school preparation due to the lack of Spanish instruction.
- The Fuse grant consist of goal-oriented project work at scheduled times per grade level. Mrs. Pirillis and Mr Laughlin provide oversight.
- Currently there is no student fee for additional visual arts exposure implemented for students. Options for future supplement to visual arts programming (i.e. Art in Action beyond K) may involve additional fees. In that scenario, there would be supplemented budgeting to assist students unable to pay. The administration continues to look into other grants, as well as define the role the Art Co-op will play this year.
- Mira requested feedback/suggestions from the board regarding methods for addressing attendance issues, as the administration discusses various options and incentives. Mira and Tina will work on means to help address attendance issues. There was a request for shared review of attendance data to evaluate factors impacting attendance and effectivity of participation in graduation being contingent upon attendance.
- Issues addressed from a restorative practice perspective are typically handled by Mr. Chandler, Mira and Mrs. McNally, contingent upon the nature/sensitivity of the matter. Mira will provide tracking data regarding implementation of restorative practices broken down by demographic group, based on allowances of CPS information that can legally be shared.
- Current enrollment is 4 (in total) over projected (K-8). Diverse Learner enrollment exceeds projection by 19. A second new para professional was obtained based on a filed appeal. An additional appeal is in process.
- Mira will update budget info gaps resulting from data not being available from CPS at the time the principal's report was compiled. She will also provide projected operating surplus for the end of school (non-payroll) in order to consider budget availability for girding up other areas (i.e. technology).

6. **Repts:** Mrs. Pirillis provided detail around unit writing for teachers in prep for PYP launch in spring

Old business

7. Adoption of LSC Norms:

Mira motioned to adopt LSC norms. Carrie seconded motion. Following discussion, Chirag motioned to amend #3 on "Rules of Conduct by removing "...and will strive to eliminate personal bias and/or the views of special interests." and placing a period after "Agassiz as a whole." Tina seconded. Eight in favor; one against (Carrie). Motion carried.

Carrie motioned to add "personal bias and/or the views of special interests." back into the norms as new item. Marilyn seconded. Seven in favor; two against (Chirag and Tina). Motion passes.

Carrie motioned to adopt norms with amendments. Oliver seconded. Seven in favor; two against (Chirag, Tina). Motion passes. Mira will email updated version.

8. LSC Candidate Presentations: Alex Lopez and Matthew Yanny-Tiller made public oral statements of self-nomination to the LSC, followed by questions from the board.

9. Closed Session: A motion to go into closed session was made by Chirag. It was seconded by Dave. Motion passed unanimously. The board entered closed session at 9:15 AM.

10. Open Session: The board resumed open session at 9:26 AM. Oliver motioned to accept the nomination of Alex Lopez to the LSC as Parent Representative. Jackie seconded. Eight in favor; one abstained (Mira). The motion passes.

New business

11. Fundraisers: Mira clarified that funds raised with Dining out events go back into funding additional outings. In response to a question from Chirag, Mira stated that the after-school Snack Cart has been tabled for now. There were no additional questions. Mira motioned to approve all fundraisers presented. Nick seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

12. Public Participation: The following items were raised and addressed, as able, during public participation:

- Detailed information regarding plans for Art Coop funds currently held by FOA, and funds and \$143K to school accounts towards the end of the 2018 – 2019 school year will be provided to FOA. Following a request for consideration of an LSC Ambassador to serve as a liaison between FOA and LSC, it was communicated that an LSC member is scheduled for attendance at all FOA meetings.
- There is currently a grant being sought for support of art for 1st and 2nd grades. Options for art exposure for these grades are discussed with Ms C.
- A list of after school enrichment opportunities per grade is available on the Agassiz website. The administration is currently looking into allocation of support funding and other options with lower participation cost.
- A revised draft of the 8th Grade Contract that incorporates parent and teacher feedback will be put forward to the Agassiz community and scheduled for discussion in an open forum.
- Plans are underway for a coed running program.

The 20 minutes allotted for public participation expired. Members of the public who signed up to speak but were not able were encouraged to email LSC. Clarification was made to the public that emails sent to the LSC account are received by the Chair and forwarded to the remainder of the LSC.

13. Action Items and Next Steps: The following action items were captured based on the meeting discussions:

- Mira will address via email the request for information regarding rollover from 2019 student supply budget.
- Mira will address via email the request for information around proficiency of current structure of Japanese and Arabic language offerings.

- Mira and Tina will work on ideas to address attendance concerns.
- Mira stated she would investigate CPS policy on distribution of demographic information as that policy must be applied to information disseminated per the request for demographic and effectivity data around execution of restorative practice at Agassiz and the impact of 8th grade contract on attendance.
- Mira will email to the board updated Code of Conduct and By Laws

14. Next regular meeting date: Wednesday, October 2, 2019, at 6:00PM

15. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Dave. Nick seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 AM.