

November 13, 2012

Draft until Approved

General Membership Meeting Minutes

email jay@weisscohen.org with questions or comments

Called to order: 6:05 PM

Board members in attendance: Jay Cohen, Rosemarie Hatcher, Christine Gordon, Tyrone Patterson, , Jeffrey Dickerson, Millie Cappetti, Eileen Gargano, Gina Rivers, Shakeda Gaines

Excused absence: Pauline Henry, Rose Lentz, Angela Canady

Board, Parent & Guest Introductions

Speakers

Family Engagement (215-400-4180), *Crystal Nelson, Parent Family Resource Center Director*

- Parent Resource Centers are currently located around the city.
- They are there to respond to questions and concerns to parents and community.
- Someone is there that can address special education services
- Someone is there that can address climate and safety issues
- Hours are 7:30 - 4:30 MTThF. Wednesday from 7:30 - 6:00 PM
- Melanie Oeun-Greenhalgh, Parent Coordinator - supports high schools

Family Involvement Conference Update, *Christine Gordon, Vice Pres. / Membership Chair*

- Communicating effectively with anyone in a meeting
- See handout

Training on Title One, Christine Irwin

- Brought a powerpoint
- <http://webgui.phila.k12.pa.us/offices/t/title1/online-implementation-guide>
- Can Title I pay for food at meetings? Yes, but schools and H&Ss must jump through a bunch of hoops such as the agenda must be Title I content.
- Can schools ask parents to sign a title I sheet at a home and school meeting? Yes, if the content is Title I related. Agenda must be forwarded to the Title I office.
- Title I supports low-income students by providing funds that supplement and don't supplant and the cost principles of necessary, reasonable, and allocable. See Guidelines
- Does Title I pay for AP or dual enrollment classes? Generally no. A few years ago the State questions why we pay for advanced placement when so many of our students are failing.
- Is SES part of Title I? Yes. SES is targets to specific students and send to their homes.
- Every school that receives Title I funds must be providing some tutoring
- Will Title I pay for parent volunteer incentives? No. There was a program called Parent Scholars out of Title I but it is no longer in the District.
- Every school must set aside 1% of Title I funds for parent involvement.
- SISL is not Title I allowable.
- The budget for every school is online. <https://apps.philasd.org/SchoolBudgets/servlet>

Comcast Essentials, Sharon Powell Lee

- Getting complaints about service but they are working on it

PCAPS, Evette Jones

- Philadelphia Coalition for Advocating for Public Schools - <http://thenotebook.org/blog/125218/eyes-hite-community-organizers-hope-influence-new-superintendent%E2%80%99s-reform-plan>
- December 13th - Hosting a city-wide event. Location to be announced. Developing a plan that will be finished very shortly.
- EC part of the budget must be used for extra-curricular activities and can only be used for something else if the union building rep agrees.

Treasurers Report

- Beginning balance \$6,074.01
- Ending balance \$8,130.15
- Details submitted

Raffle

Next meeting is December 4th at 10 AM

Meeting Adjourned: 7:47 PM