

Minutes of November 30, 2015 BAC meeting

Bac Meeting 11-30-15 minutes

1. Call to order 5:29 pm: Suzy Woodley, Kim McNiven, Brian Wheatley, Pauline Benton, Kathy Gomez, Nelly Yang, Conrad Taylor, Phil Bond, Jim Sherman, Kristi Frankina, Tina Cuneo, Ginny Gomez, Chris Hong, Delma Juarez, Dixie Lopes, Karunakaran Karuppiah, Sheila Vickers
2. Approval of minutes from 10-27-15- motion passes. All said "I".
3. Nelly will send lottery clarification on limitations of lottery funding.
4. Budget Analysis Conversation:
 - a. Sheila Vickers (Vice President School Services of California). A financial resource to school districts. Gave budgetary guidance.
 - b. District requested them to take a deep look at our budget because the school board requested a plan to be created to decrease deficit spending.
 - c. Report: documented handout was given to each BAC representative.
 - i. a couple areas in the report that will have some changes caused by the state budget. Nelly has updated current budget to reflect this.
 - ii. shows ranking for our first step and step 10 in the teacher salary compared to other districts. (our salary schedule evaluation).
 - iii. Sheila went over in detail the report.
5. Need to knows (as time allows) started at 6:21pm.
 - a. Kathy Gomez: do we want to go over need to knows or go directly to budget and discuss Sheila's report and discussion. decision: go over some of the research.
 - b. Nelly Enrollment projections: (handout)
 - i. Demographer coming in January and sharing with the board.
 - a. Sheila suggestions: follow a process to staff very tightly at the beginning of the year and do a worse case scenario. Staff to lower level, higher class size. Make adjustments as you see people on campus.
 - b. Where did the extra loss of students this year arise from? 61% moved to another non-california non-charter school. 8% went to a charter. 22% went to private school. 8% went out of state. 26% were kinder and 22% were grade 7.
 - c. Kathy Gomez: everyone has a full day kinder program. We need to look into that.
 - d. Students moving to private school in middle school.
 2. What is an appropriate minimum reserve level ?
 - a. Sheila Vickers: we are a medium sized elementary. Government finance officers association: They recommend 2 months budget of total expenditures (unrestricted not restricted balances) reserve which is about 17% (approximately 17 million dollars in reserve for our budget). Sheila recommends this.
 - b. Do a gradual increase to the goal.
 - ii. Retain effective teachers: research
 1. 50% decrease in work force availability per California credential program.
 2. increase of years 10 and beyond teachers' become more effective.
 - iii. Broad Discussion on Class Size:
 1. Impact varies but definitely more impact for rsp and underserved populations.
 2. Zito: discussion on main teacher and higher classroom sizes but with a few interns in the classroom.
 3. May be impacted by teachers teaching facilitative vs direct teaching.

4. Nelly: state has grade level max. Funding jeopardized if the district goes over it.
5. <http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/pa/cefcsp.asp>

iv. Put items 5 through 15 on the agenda next time.

6. Public comment
 - a. Kevin Larsen: Parent, Millbrook Elementary.
7. Meeting adjourned 6:58pm.