

Minutes
Education Advisory Committee (EAC)
October 26, 2020
Virtual Meeting

Attendees

<u>Members</u>	<u>Present</u> _____	<u>Absent</u>
David Toledo, <i>Dist 1</i>	<u> X </u> (arrived ~8:40pm)	
Vilay Senthap, <i>Dist 1</i>	<u> X </u>	
Mary Daniel, <i>Dist 2</i>	<u> X </u>	
Dawn Powers, <i>Dist 2</i>	<u> X </u>	
Melissa Day, <i>Dist 3</i>	<u> X </u>	
Rose Greene-Colby, <i>Dist 3</i>	<u> X </u>	
Carolyn Bernache, <i>Dist 4</i>	<u> X </u>	
Tessie Aikara, <i>Dist 4</i>	<u> X </u>	

Also Present

Kiaisha Barber, City Liaison
Carleveva Thompson, Contract Secretary

Call to Order

Ms. Bernache called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

Approval of the September Meeting Minutes

The Committee reviewed the meeting minutes from the September 21, 2020 meeting.

Ms. Bernache motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Ms. Greene-Colby. All members in favor, no opposed, 7-0.

Feedback on Town Hall with Joshua Thomas

Ms. Aikara gave the Committee an update on the Town Hall held on October 19, 2020. There were about 37 people in attendance. The P3 project for the schools was discussed. The Committee discussed how the event was advertised and brainstormed additional ways to advertise the next town hall. Ms. Aikara will contact Mr. Thomas to get his availability for a future town hall.

Update on Ms. Doris Ellis Scholarship

Majority of the entries for the essay contest are from Greenbelt Middle. Parkdale High School and Buck Lodge Middle also have entries.

Ms. Bernache motioned to extend the deadline until November 6, 2020. Second by Ms. Daniel. All members in favor; no opposed, 7-0.

Update on School Supply Donations

Ms. Bernache informed the Committee of the plan to open schools in February. If the schools open, Ms. Bernache will check if Dollar Tree will deliver the supplies directly to the schools. If the schools will not open, the supplies can be distributed at a College Park Food Drive. The Committee discussed cost comparing to see which company has the best prices for school supplies. Ms. Bernache will check with the school principals to verify what school supplies are needed.

Ms. Powers motioned for the EAC to purchase \$2,000 of school supplies to send to local elementary schools. Second by Ms. Aikara. All members in favor; no opposed, 7-0.

EAC Grant Review

Ms. Barber informed the Committee that the approval of the grants is on the November 10, 2020 Mayor and Council agenda.

Berwyn Heights Elementary - \$2,750 grant for Books in Their Hands Program

The EAC voted for this grant to move forward to City Council. All members in favor; 8-0.

Buck Lodge - \$2,750 for Positive Behaviors Intervention & Supports Incentive

The EAC conditionally approved this grant. The EAC will ask that the \$800 in food and snacks be repurposed for incentives for family or for school supplies. The school also needs to provide a distribution plan or fill the school store and confirm that the T-shirts are free. All members in favor; 8-0.

Cherokee Lane Elementary - \$2,750 for Afterschool Kindergarten Virtual Enrichment Program

The EAC voted for this grant to move forward to City Council. All members in favor; 8-0.

Hollywood Elementary - \$8,000 for Chromebooks

The EAC voted for this grant to move forward to City Council. All members in favor; 8-0.

Greenbelt Middle - \$8,000 for Extended Learning Opportunity

The EAC voted for this grant to move forward to City Council. All members in favor; 8-0.

Paint Branch Elementary - \$8,000 for iPads

The EAC voted for this grant to move forward to City Council. All members in favor; 7-0. (Ms. Powers recused herself from the vote.)

Parkdale, High Point, College Park Academy and University Park Elementary have not submitted grant applications.

Adjournment

Ms. Bernache adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.