

**Meeting: Face Committee Meeting** 

Presenter: Griselda Pirtle Date: Monday, May 9th

Location: Administration Center - TLC Time: 4:00 - 5:30 pm

### In Attendance

- Kathleen O'Hara
- Stephanie Tanimura
- Marlyn Orozco
- Nelly Perez
- Griselda Pirtle
- Maureen Mcabee
- Michelle Langford
- Sharon Roberts
- Laura Sandoval
- Maria Jarvis
- MIchelle Piotrowski

Meeting Began at: 4:11

### Agenda

- 1) Minute Approval March 7, 2016
- 2) Data analysis (Different Format): Identify trends in Data
  - What are your dreams for your child?
    - o -good education, first in family to get a good education, post HS plans
    - -become a professional/successful/independent (for all students)
    - be happy
    - -be successful/reach goals/fulfill their own dreams
    - -life long learner, love the of learning
    - o -learn English
    - -become a U.S. citizen
    - good person/character, social skills, responsible, accepted
    - -live and learn in a safe environment/drug free
    - -learn how to handle social/academic challenges
    - -better life/future/opportunities/reach goals parents did not reach
    - -biliterate, bilingual
    - good home to live in

- What do you like about your school(s)?
  - Friendly staff and a welcoming environment.
  - Spanish speaking secretaries.
  - Communication and availability from teachers.
  - Extra-curricular activities and family events.
  - Safe and clean environment.
- How could we improve your experience with the school(s)?
  - More language support (Spanish speaking staff, conferences in multiple languages, paperwork in multiple languages)
  - Simplified information/ clearer communication
  - More contact with teachers/office/volunteering in classroom
  - o Better, more nutritional lunch menu
  - More time for breakfast/lunch
  - Better representation on PTO (Latino)
  - Information about services in the community
  - Classes for parents (help parents learn English)
  - o Connections with other parents in the class, social hour
  - More opportunities for clubs/sports
  - Ideas of how to get kids more engaged
  - o Parenting support/workshops (talking to kids about bullying, handling misbehavior
  - More family events
- What is the best way for the school or district to share information with you? (If
  examples are needed, i.e: face to face, coffee hour, drop in, parent cafe/lounge, phone,
  email, text, audio, website, ChromeBooks, translations)
  - Texting
  - Phone Calls (School Messenger and personal phone calls)
  - Emails
  - Face-to-Face (depending on reason)
  - (Hard Copy communications should be condensed)
  - Home Language Important
- When you have a question, idea, or concern, what is the best way for you to share that?
   (Going beyond just academics or school social, family, community, financial)\*
  - Face to face going to school to talk to someone and preferably the teacher or principal or secretary
  - Drop in or impromptu (typically this happens at start/end of school day)
  - By phone
- How can the school help you with your needs as parents/families? Including anyone in the household? (Daycare, language, employment, health care for family members, transportation, preschool, infants, elderly, food, wireless, access to books/community resources)
  - Bilingual staff

- Adult learning needs (ESL, job skills, parent university, resume, etc)
- o Parent ed. Workshops
- Personal assistance with linking to outside resources
- Internet access
- Transportation to/from school
- Opening up school after hours for families
- From your perspective, what could we do to make the school more welcoming? (Dream a little bit... what services or supports would you imagine being offered at school)
  - Celebrate cultural diversity
  - Signs and Posters in multiple languages
  - Tutoring
  - Affordable internet
  - Bus security
  - More clubs and sports
  - More social opportunities for parents and families at schools

## 3) Identify starting point(s)

- Short-term
  - Common messages to include in school newsletters related to current topics of interest to parents (example: immigration)
  - Communicate D59 resources at Oasis
  - Create structures to provide direct personal assistance with linking families to external and internal resources
  - Signs in various languages in buildings (Especially entrance). Ask schools to send photos for ideas.
- Long-term
  - Differentiated Communication (i.e. condensed, home language, methods, multiple reminders, district website, etc.)
  - Student Nutrition
  - o Parent Education (ESL, Computer Skills, Parenting, Resume Skills, etc.)

## 4) Future of FACE Commitee

- Possibly invite parents to future sessions
- Representation from each building (Devonshire, Low, Rupley, Forest View)
- Whole Committee meetings 2 times per year and sub committee meetings in between

# 5) Miscellaneous/Announcements

- CCSD59 Feedback Survey
- CCSD59 Attendance Sign-out

### **Staff Meeting Forms:**

ISBE PD Evaluation Form

ELIS PD Entry
Supervisory Timesheet

**Evidence of Completion** 

### Our Vision

One District, One Population, One Core Purpose

### **Our Mission**

The Mission of Community Consolidated School District 59 is to provide the skills, knowledge, and experiences that will prepare students to be successful for life.

### District Focus 2015-2016

Instructional Practice: Designers of Learning

- Integrating literacy across the curriculum
- Promoting application and transfer

Social Emotional Learning: Creating Conditions for Learning

- Developing academic & social competencies
- Building positive relationships
- Applying brain research to planning & practice

Innovation: Amplifying the Potential of All Learners

- Creating a culture of innovation
- Utilizing technology to amplify the potential of all learners