

LLP meeting
Tuesday March 5, 5:30 PM

In attendance: Samantha Gray, Lisa Novak, Kathleen Gerhold, Crystal Thomas, Resident Principal Calloway, Jennifer Smith

Meeting began at 5:35pm

1. LLP Elections
 - a. Potential chair positions
 - a. Email LLP Gmail account for interest in positions
 - b. President, Secretary, and Treasurer are necessary positions
 - c. Fundraising chair and Social chair as new positions
 - d. Board members *should* have attended at least 3 LLP meetings or events during the 2023-2024 school year
 - e. ISP to Network 11 Support should not affect LLP
2. Finances
 - a. Current Balance - \$ 47,768.45
 - . \$30-\$40k to technology improvements still waiting for quote
 - a. Work on process for teacher grant request
 - a. \$1,266 spent last month – Snowball and Staples for faculty copier
 - b. \$622 from t-shirt sales will be deposited this week
2. Teacher Appreciation Week in May – plans finalized in April
3. Assistant Principal Week and Ms. Sims's going away
 - a. Jenna Carlson will take the lead
 - a. Gift basket or treats
 - b. T-Shirt or Sweatshirt from our spiritwear inventory
 - c. Collaborate with the full school for Ms. Sims (ideas: parade with each class, mosaic image)
 - d. Going away event will take place on April 5
2. LLP Closet Clean out – Monday or Friday afternoon, Samantha will choose a date and inform the LLP for volunteers

Operations: Taxes Submitted

School Improvement:

1. Computer Lab - Still working on new quote from vendor (\$2,000 per electrical box)
2. Staples Purchased for Copier 2/2 \$165

Event Planning:

1. Family Skating Event March 2024- Morgan Park Sports Center
 - o \$3 dollar skate rentals
 - o March 9 from 1:15 to 2:45
 - o Packaged snacks/drinks will be served
 - o 150 have RSVP'd, 120 RSVP'd to skate
0. Walkathon April 12th
 - o Corporate Sponsors were mentioned as a way to bring in more funds, no additional comments made about this
 - o Samantha Gray will work on the LSC proposal – their next meeting is March 19
 - o Lisa Novak will set up the fundraising site and the Sign-Up Genius

0. School Picnic May 24th
 - o Send out email to LLP mailing list to form committee

Event Recap:

1. Snow Ball
 1. Amazing job from planning committee...THANK YOU!! Estimate of 75-100 students plus families
 2. 8th Grade Raised \$52

Fundraising:

1. Shirt Sales \$622 dollars
2. Any new fundraising opportunities – on hold with Walkathon next month

Community Agenda Items:

Kathleen Gerhold brought up a meeting she had with Principal Sims, Tiffany Harston, and Shenay Carter. Covid funding is ending, Lenart is moving to a new process to get funding from CPS. We will need a fundraising chair for next year. We need to stress importance of the Walk-a-thon. They will meet again next week to get more information. Ms. Sims will complete budget for 2024-2025.

More information about budget changes for next year: Chicago Public Schools (CPS) is transitioning from a per capita student based funding model to an equity based "Opportunity Index" that will impact the FY24-25 budget for Lenart. In addition, CPS has a \$300M deficit from COVID funding ending.

<https://www.cps.edu/globalassets/cps-pages/about-cps/finance/budget/budget-2024/docs/2023-budget-roundtable-presentation-final.pdf>

Board Resolution: <https://www.cpsboe.org/content/documents/23-1214-rs3.pdf>

Kathleen will be working with a committee to bring the community together to raise more money, also on a "Fact vs. Fiction" document regarding these changes.

Discussion about school culture and how to get more school/caregiver involvement. Crystal discussed having more of a push during Walk-a-thon/picnic to get LLP messaging out. Kathleen suggested focus groups to get parent input.

Walk-a-thon – Encouraging large fundraisers from years past to give ideas for getting more donations.

Next Meetings:

Tuesday	4/2/24
Monday	5/6/24
Tuesday	6/4/24

Calendar

4/12/24	Walkathon
4/10/24	Report Card Pick up – provide lunch for teachers (Flippin’ Flavors, food trucks were suggested)
5/24/24	Picnic
5/6-5/10	Teacher Appreciation Week

Meeting adjourned at 6:25pm.