

## Parent Advisory Council (PAC) & Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Meeting

Minutes completed by: Lynda Gibson

Date: September 13, 2017

Time: 8:45AM-9:45AM

Total Present: (38) Sarah Deiban, Levy Librojo, Alli Halvorsen, Dilaram Lulfi, Nma Ibuda Anichebe, Farjana Patel, Michele Herro, Jessica Massaras, Alia Montijo, Erica Imaoka, Gaby Hasselquist, Jackie Doran-Nicholson, Sabiha Vohra, Maria Ciccone, Tim White, Sherry Tobin, Gangtsetseg Tsedev, Jaqueline Mueller, Jessica Espinosa, Barbara Nordlund, Kristen Hunter, Emily Berman, Lynda Gibson, Monica Thomas, Sonya Benham, Judy Edstrom, Megan Trinter, Catherine Korda, Karla Rivera, Mandy Bevacqua, Rachida Dini, Rosa Buzo, Vaheeda Shaikh, Sarah Myers, Melanie Shank, Anita Gabor, Lloy Johnston

Peterson administrator(s) present: Principal Kate Kane & Assistant Principal Scott Topel

Refreshments were provided.

### There were 5 key agenda items for this meeting:

1. Update on Continuous Improvement Work Plan (CIWP) & Budget for 2017-2018
2. Overview of parent groups at Peterson
3. Review of PTA membership information
4. PAC 2017-2018 officer elections
5. Review of upcoming events at Peterson & community

### details for all agenda items are provided below

- The call to order and welcome was completed by PTA President, Megan Trinter.
- Principal Kate Kane provided an overview of Peterson's CIWP and budget for the current year. An informational packet was distributed to parents which included:
  - 1) Peterson's strategic plan, which is centered on 3 goals (vertically and horizontally designed curriculum, multi-tiered systems of supports & culture for learning)
  - 2) Budget summary for FY18, breakdown of expenses, and information about parent involvement in school programs
- There are 5 current parent groups at Peterson-*president/chair listed in italics*
  - 1) Parent Teacher Association (PTA): helps with facilitating parent involvement/participation in school programs and events-*Megan Trinter*
  - 2) Parent Advisory Council (PAC): created to support the role of parents and the school as equal partners in children's education-*Catherine Korda*
  - 3) Bilingual Advisory Committee (BAC): designed to support bilingual families and inclusion of bilingual curriculum and instruction-*officers will be selected Oct 5<sup>th</sup>*
  - 4) Friends of Peterson (FoP): non-profit organization that focuses on fundraising events/activities for Peterson-*Catherine Korda*
  - 5) Local School Council (LSC): group of parents, teachers, staff member, community members, and administrator; designed to support the school, review the budget and CIWP, and help with evaluating/selecting of principals-*Lloy Johnston*
- Peterson parent Anita Gabor provided an overview of the PTA membership policies. Parents who wish to be a part of the PTA should renew their membership annually for a fee of \$10.

- The 2017-2018 PAC officer elections was completed by LSC President, Lloy Johnston  
Chair: Catherine Korda  
Vice Chair: Jessica Espinosa  
Recording Secretary: Lynda Gibson  
Corresponding Secretary, FOIA & OMA Officer: Anita Gabor
- Events/additional topics discussed/reminders:
  - Back to School Night will be Sept 20 (K-4) and Sept 21 (5-8). This is an opportunity for families to meet with teachers and learn more about the PTA & PAC
  - The North Park Community Market (organized by a group including Emily Berman) will be in the Peterson parking lot on Sept 24 from 9-1. Families can listen to music, purchase food, etc. and meet other families in the community
  - PAC's annual Math Night will be Oct 19<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7. Parents will learn about the school's math curriculum and have the opportunity to go to individual grades to learn about current math work being done in classrooms. Dinner will be served for this event.
  - International Night will be Oct 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30 and will include the Taste of Peterson, performances, and other activities. Members of the community are welcome to attend.
  - Parents can contact Resident Principal Ms. Nieves to sign up as a volunteer. Parents must sign up annually. Chuck Deters and Scott Topel assisted parents with online volunteer sign up at the end of today's meeting
  - Lloy Johnston recommended that Peterson engage families in learning more about options for high school by starting a ride-sharing program for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to attend high school open house events
  - Boxtops are being collected and can help with funding for school improvements. Boxtops can be given to teachers or put in the PTA mailbox in the main office.
  - Cub Scouts is currently available in the neighborhood for boys in grades 1-5. This is organized by Sherry Tobin and the group usually meets 1-2 times per month for a meeting and once per month for an activity/outing.
  - Parents can stay informed by joining the "Peterson Moms, Dads, Friends & More" Facebook Group. Information regarding upcoming events/school news is also featured in the weekly periodical, which is sent home on Friday's
- Parent volunteers are needed for the following upcoming events- *contact person in parentheses*: Book Fair (Gaby Hasselquist), Morning Tea (Judy Edstrom), BAC Officers (Catherine Korda), Math Night (Catherine Korda), and International Night (Arielle Dachman)

### **Upcoming Peterson Events:**

Thursday's	Parent Tea (8:45AM)
Sept 13	LSC Meeting (6PM)
Sept 18-22	PTA Book Fair
Sept 20	K-4 Back to School Night (5-7PM)
Sept 21	5-8 Back to School Night (5-7PM)
Sept 24	North Park Community Market (9AM-1PM)
Oct 5	PAC/BAC Meeting (8:45AM) *BAC ELECTIONS
Oct 12	PTA Meeting (8:45AM)
Oct 19	PAC Math Night (5:30-7PM)
Oct 27	PTA International Night (5:30-7:30PM)

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