



Community Advisory Council General Committee Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2022

- I. **Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 7:05pm. Meeting was held hybrid via Zoom and in person at the U-46 Welcome Center at 1019 E. Chicago Street, Elgin, IL 60120. Members of CAC Executive committee, representatives and guests were in attendance. The meeting was recorded for future viewing.
- II. **Approval of minutes from May 5, 2022 meeting:** Motion to approve by Matt Hovey, second by Sarah Siddiqui, all approved.
- III. **Board of Education Update:** Provided by BOE President Sue Kerr. Ms. Kerr mentioned the upcoming U-46 job fair on September 9th & 10th at the U-46 Welcome Center. The next Unite U46 session will be on September 14th at 7pm. She also encouraged students interested in pursuing the Seal of Biliteracy to sign up by September 10th. The U-46 Foundation is accepting grant application until September 30th. Teachers can apply for grants up to \$20,000. Community grants are available up to \$11,000. The Run 4 U46 fundraiser will be held on October 8th at Bartlett High School. The next U-46 Board of Education meeting will be on September 12th at District headquarters 355 E Chicago St, Elgin.
- IV. **Administrative Update:** Provided by Dr, Tony Sanders. Dr. Sanders thanked all the participants for attending in person and virtually. He introduced the cabinet members and staff who were present. He is enjoying his visits to the

schools and getting back to normal. He mentioned that parent volunteers are welcome again back in our school buildings after the long Covid pause. The National Assessment Preparedness (NAP) state report card will show declines in our district and across the state. U-46 is committed to providing the help our students need especially for the elementary school students. We are going into the second year of academic teaming. There are now 13 schools participating. Three of our high schools, Bartlett, Larkin and Streamwood, have been recognized at nationally certified magnet school status through the Magnate Schools of America. South Elgin High School earned magnet status in 2021. Elgin High School is preparing for International Baccalaureate accreditation. Finally, Dr. Sanders also mentioned this is his 16th year with U-46 and he encourages parents and community members to get involved with CAC or any of our other community organizations.

- V. **Public Comments:** There were two speakers. Ms. Silva asked how to help the younger students who are behind in reading, writing and math. Katrina Neal wants to know what can be done about the afternoon pickup at Hilltop Elementary school. The space in the driveway is limited and the situation seems to be unorganized.

VI. **Business Agenda - CAC & Committee Overview**

- a. **Specialized Student Services** – Provided Sarah Siddiqui, she will co-chair this committee with Avita Oodom and Ginger McHugh-Kurtz. All meetings for this committee will be via Zoom. Upcoming presentations will be on October 18th with Sherry Schneider on getting benefits and services, February 21, 2023 with Ann Weller on puberty and April 11, 2023 with a presentation about anxiety. The committee's next meeting will be on September 13th. The committee can be contacted via email at: SSS.CAC.U46@gmail.com.
- b. **FACE** – Provided by Matt Hovey who highlighted some past committee activities, such as the CAC logo contest, the Real Estate Breakfast, PTO Roundtable. For the future the committee is looking to provide a bus tour.
- c. **Other Committees** – Provided by Matt Hovey who highlighted other committees that were an active part of CAC. These committees included: Finance, Legislative, Instruction Initiatives, Student Safety, along with ad hoc committees like Bylaws and the Board of Education candidate forum.

- VII. **Other Business** - Provided by Chanda Schwartz who reviewed future general meeting dates that are posted on the CAC Website. She also listed future volunteer opportunities:
- a. The U-46 Explore event for middle school students. This event will be held at the NOW Arena in Hoffman Estates on October 5th & 6th. Adult tour guides will be needed. A signup form will be posted to the CAC website for anyone interested in helping.
 - b. The Run 4 U46 5k will be held on October 8th at Bartlett High School and will also need volunteers for prerace and race day activities. Volunteers can contact Dawn Curran (dawncurran@u-46.org) to sign up.
 - c. The next Unite U46 meeting will be hybrid and held on September 14th at 7pm.
 - d. The next CAC Executive Meeting will be via Zoom on September 22nd at 7pm.
 - e. The next CAC General Meeting will be hybrid and held on October 6th at 7pm.
- VIII. **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn meeting made by Sarah Siddiqui, second by Matt Hovey.

Minutes submitted by: Veronica Betz on

Minutes approved by: