

## Gilpin CSC Meeting Minutes: September 21, 2016

1. Welcome and introductions
2. CSC Role and Responsibilities
  - a. Read the CSC Roles and Responsibilities
3. New and Interested Members: Paul Davidson, Katherine Murphy, Virginia Delgado
4. Ballot Creation and Voting Date: Ballot will be sent home for parents to vote. New members will be official at the October meeting.
5. School changes and Parent Perception Feedback: Parents shared positive feedback regarding schools changes. Administration and staff shared some of the news changes, and that changes from last year were still place, but being done with fidelity.
6. Uniform changes in procedures
  - a. Paw bucks, though not typically a Montessori techniques, we felt that the students needed this
  - b. Saturday School
    - i. Positive and Learning opportunity for scholars to improve their skills and values.
    - ii. Katherine Murphy wondered if the students would show up. Kimberly stated we may have to go and knock on doors
  - c. Recess
    - i. Stations and staff members
    - ii. Students are encouraged to play and not sit
    - iii. Paul stated that he finds that it is beneficial.
    - iv. Katherine has heard from parents that the changes are positive. Parents are happy. She has noticed that the school seems different.
    - v. Discipline. We have had one incident of discipline. Some schools have had 10 or more.
    - vi. Virginia likes the shirts. Staff is working with Administration. Parent's son is reporting the same as she is observing. She was positive about the Thursday folders and assemblies, the teachers are speaking the same language.
    - vii. Zed encouraged Virginia to voice her opinion. The Latino population is important. We are a community and we want everyone to be included.
    - viii. Kimberly noted that students are coming to school positive. Desiree stated that the teachers are there for all of the students. Tanya noted that the changes came from a group of teachers and administration taking all of the perspectives into account.

- ix. RIB – Gilpin was faced with some budgetary constraints, but luckily did not have to experience a RIB in the fall. A spring RIB is already hard. A Fall RIB is definitely not what we want.
- x. We are fully staffed with teachers. One assistant is moving out of the district, hiring is underway.
- xi. What's new is a RJ, FT social worker and counselor, increased psychologist. GT teacher will be working with the students in additional rigor. Math fellows are active at recess and pushing in into the classroom.
- xii. Cheryl asked for a list to see what is happening in the school with roles. Wanted to know if there was a matrix. It may be helpful to have the list.

6. Review/Approve Norms and Working Agreements

- a. Reviewed current agreements.
  - i. Keep Scholars first
  - ii. No judgment that leads to shame or blame
- b. Cheryl suggested that the staff sit intermingled with parent and community members. Rocio will make sure that happens.

7. Topics for Future Meetings

- a. Ballots- the methods. Clarification on process of how ballots will be presented to the community. Rocio has a plan. It should happen quickly.
- b. Paul thinks we should celebrate our success.
- c. Facebook – how we could increase participants. Zed mentioned he noticed there is a lot of communication and traffic. Rocio said that we need to increase traffic. Zed suggested that we link the Facebook page and YouTube.
- d. Town Hall meeting – what is the best way to communicate with parents. Make members aware of where we stand. Plan the Town Hall meeting at the November CSC meeting.
- e. Town Hall Meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> December – part business and part celebration. Recognizing scholars for excellence.