



Unapproved Minutes for the
District Parent Council (DPC) Meeting,
Friday, February 15, 2019
East Lansing School Board Room at ELHS

Call to order

The meeting was called to order by DPC Co-President Lisa Rutkowski at 12.05.

Introduction of Attendees

Attendees

Lisa Rutkowski (DPC Co-President/ELHS Rep.)
Angela Michael (DPC Co-President/Whitehills Rep.)
Alexandra Huhta (DPC Secretary/Donley Rep.)
Catherine Chin Schwartz (Glencairn Rep./MMS Rep.)
Kath Edsall, Finance Committee
Jen Louagie, parent
Dori Leyko, Superintendent

Next DPC Meeting is March 15 at noon.

Finance Committee Update

Kath Edsall

Introduction of the General Fund Report for 2010-19

There are the

- General Fund
- Sinking Fund
- Bond Fund

- 2012 Capital Fund (sale of property) –used to replace vehicles and cover any shortcoming by adding a sixth building in the upcoming years

These Funds are separate and not interchangeable.

Right now there are ongoing contract negotiations with the city of East Lansing for B & A. The plan is to agree on a 5-year contract.

The General Fund is healthy (10 -15% range is considered healthy), as there is a \$ 5 million balance, which is about 13% of the General Fund Budget. This will cover delayed expenditures without having to take out loans. In years past this balance was only around \$ 2 million and that was not enough.

Opening a sixth building (Red Cedar) will add about 1% to the overall budget, about \$300.000 – 400.000. But this will be taken into account in future budgets plans.

Superintendent report

At this point ELPS is inside the limit of snow days (including the 3 day waiver that ELPS will apply for this year). The question, if the state of emergency called out by the governor will reduce the number has not been clarified yet.

On different snow days, a late start was considered, but because of the staggered starting times, it was deemed not safe.

On the upcoming late start ELPS will provide a snack to all students in the district.

There also will be B & A before the late start and breakfast will be provided for the enrolled students.

The idea was put forth to create a list with any snow days resources, which could be sent out by the district. (For example, the YMCA and the MAC have snow day care. The Weekend Survival Kits might be able to provide food for those who already receive services, etc.)

No individual school reports.

Marble Equity Workshop is on May 1, 6.30 -8.30 at Marble. Flyer enclosed.

Donley Science Night is on Thursday, February 21, from 6.00 – 7.30 pm. New this year is the Hands-on Museum from Ann Arbor.

Meeting was adjourned by Lisa Rutkowski at 1.15 p.m.

Alexandra Huhta,
DPC Secretary
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Date of Approval

Motion to approve via email made by L. Rutkowski and seconded by A. Huhta 2/21/2019