

ELHS Parent Council Minutes
January 15, 2013
7pm, Hub

Present: Jeanne Maguire, Andy Korest, Lural Baltimore, Tessie Gutierrez, Gene Gutierrez, Kimbirly Bodfish, Nancy Schertzing, John Brandenburg, Nate Lake, Dianne Syal

- I. Welcome / Introductions – President Lural Baltimore
- II. Review and Approve January Agenda and November Council Board Minutes
- III. Featured Topic: “And the Survey Said . . .” – John Brandenburg
Summary is available on ELHS website. John provided a highlight of survey results with consideration of who the respondents represent.
- IV. ELHS Principal Report - John Brandenburg
Exams and schedule changes going on this week. Very strict about schedule changes, only in the case of need, not preference or learning style.
- V. Board of Education Update – Nate Lake, ELHS rep
Elections for officers occurred. Board retreat on 1-26-13, to begin strategic planning process. Dates for planning are 2/1, 2/21, 3/7, 4/11. Technology bond is the next key issue. Educational pieces being sent to EL residents. Nate is touring schools and meeting with principals to ensure he understands the goals/directions of each building.
- VI. District Parent Council Update - Elizabeth Vanis
 - Assistant superintendent – Cliff Seybert, change in title.
 - 2/12 is a round table meeting
- VII. Black Parent Union Update – Lural Baltimore
 - November meeting – summary shared, waiting for follow-up from Dr. Chapin.
 - John Brandenburg spoke about the HS emergency plan. There are teachers in each wing and steps to respond to an emergency. Additional staff will be trained at the end of January. Discussing opportunities for a drill with Officer Whelan, it is on the agenda to discuss this week
 - Andy Wells (White Hills principal) new district officer, addressing issues relevant to African American students,
- VIII. Council Treasurer’s report/Teacher Grant Update - Andy Korest and Nancy Schertzing
 - YTD profit and loss

Action Item – need to investigate the \$500 for amnesty international and \$100 miscellaneous that needs to find a home. Expenses may have occurred around Spring 2012.

 - Grant request summary and review
 - Culturally rich novels - \$120 for English Department, approved.
 - 1 Elmo document camera for Mr. King - \$440, pending results of technology bond
- IX. New Business
 - Next parent council meeting: February 19 meeting needs to be changed due to school vacation day.
 - New meeting dates in order, February 26th contingent on speaker availability; February 12th is second contingency date. Proposing ACLU ‘School to Prison Pipeline’ presentation. Co-hosting with BPU.
 - Executive summary of report available for review by parent council.

Meeting adjourned 9:17pm