Minutes adopted: May 8, 2013

6:15 PM  Meeting called to order

MEMBERS PRESENT:  Mary Jue; Victor Tam; Jennifer Vega; Magdalena de Guzman; Mark Murphy; Brian Fox; Chuck Hornbrook; Michael Reimer; Jeff Eng

STAFF PRESENT:  Chris Armentrout; Kathy Fleming

- SPECIAL MEETING
  - March’s meeting is tonight; Was moved from earlier in March to allow more time to revise the PEEF budget proposal
  - Annual budget needs to be submitted
  - Since 08-09, Mayor has discretion to institute 25% reduction
  - For 13-14 … no “trigger”
  - Final budget should be shared tomorrow

- New members were introduced

- Public Comment
  - NO PUBLIC COMMENT

- Adoption of Minutes
  - POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT MEETING
  - Kathy will send out draft of meeting minutes in advance of the next meeting.

- Review and discuss the Revised 2013-14 PEEF budget (Discussion Item)
  - Members given time to review the DRAFT REVISED BUDGET independently.
  - Kathy reported out a synopsis of the proposed changes; CAC members asked Questions; Kathy Answered
  - District Leadership proposed increases based on District Priorities and Needs (eg. Translation; STEM; A-G) of the District
  - QUESTION WAS RAISED RE: STEM: such a huge expenditure. How sustainable is this especially in light of how underfunded some of the other programs PEEF already funds now remain.
    - Comment: investing in such infrastructure is grossly needed
    - Students will benefit across the board
    - Increases access to the internet
    - Addresses a profound gap in our District
    - Shift in assessment systems – Smarter Balance Assessment System
Not just hardware
Technology and Engineering should be treated as CORE
Suggestion: pare down the proposal somewhat?
  o Don’t know where the 14 teachers will be assigned
  o How is the District preparing for the shift to the Common Core and to the Smarter Balance?
  - A-G: Assistant principal of Independence High???
  - Peer Resources – is the proposed percentage increase sufficient?
  - QUESTION about the charter
    o 1/3 1/3 … look at the charter for balance
  - In-kind services for STEM

7:45: How to best spend the next 15 minutes?
  o Draft memo and recommendations?
  o Postpone the approval of the recommendations?
  o WHO is available next week? Jeff; Jennifer; Mark; Chuck; plus three who will call in

  o Feels as though we are now paying for arts, music, libraries, AND Science
  o PEEF is now funding a CORE area that seems easier to find funding
  o Harder to find funding for things like Nurses, Peer Resources, etc.

  • Formulate and finalize recommendations (Action Item)

  • Review PEEF Youth Survey, parent survey and begin development of format for presentations to parent groups (Discussion Item)

  • Next Steps

  • Adjournment

8:15 PM: RECOMMENDATION: QUESTION: The arc of PEEF … what is the trajectory that we want to be setting?
GAP: student support – student psycho/emotional supports
Priority has been set by precedence to spend the 1/3 1/3 in this way – but the gap remains.

NEXT STEPS:
  1. Kathy will use these FABULOUS notes of mine to craft an intelligent, coherent, eloquent memo to address the recommendations of the CAC regarding this draft proposal.

NEXT MEETING: MARCH 27

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Victor Tam.

March 21, 2013  8:31:06 PM