

Los Angeles Unified School District
Local District 7
Local District 7 Superintendent Dr. George McKenna III
Parent Community Advisory Council (PCAC)
Local District 7 Conference Rm. A
Minutes of January 28th 2010

Meeting called to order at 9:10am by Julie Burg Chairperson.

Gloria Powell led the Flag Salute.

Peggy Nash-Jones, Secretary, did Roll Call a quorum was established. Ms. Jones then did a reading of the Minutes for any necessary corrections, additions or deletions. A correction of the minutes Dr. McKenna stated in regards to the answer of "It's better to give notice to teachers....," correction is "only give the principal notice". He or she is the only one that needs to know that you will be visiting. Teachers do not need to know. Visitation is open in Public School. If you have a child you do not need approval, only if you are a visitor or outsider but you do need to stop in the front office for a visitor's pass. Tony Redford member made a motion to accept the minutes as read with the necessary corrections. Seconded by Virginia Hughes, member.

Dr. McKenna read the PCAC Rep's School Visitation Guidelines and led in a discussion regarding a memo about Parent Participation in Schools, received from Chris Downing, Administrator of Parent Community Services Branch.

The Students Standards of Conduct was also discussed. Some of the various points of the document were highlighted ex: How to implement different options for students instead of suspending, a discussion will happen with principals.

In-school suspensions will prohibit students from going to certain classes, but will keep the student in school. Only time to send students home are if they become a danger to them selves or someone else, but try to do something or get someone to help the student.

Q: What resources do we have for behavior modification?

Fremont High School

There are guidelines for the Distribution of the Compact/Commitments for the restructure of Fremont High School. These should be read and signed.

In the Code of Conduct the faculty will be responsible for: establishing the use of Cellular Phones, Students' Language, Homework Policies, Dress Codes that should be enforced for students as well as staff, Attendance, The Homeroom Program, the return of the UCTP Program (Urban Classroom Teacher Program), Grading Policies and many other areas of Policy and Procedures.

Dr. McKenna stated that he is responsible for everyone-teachers, staff and students. They are not responsible for him, it's not that he has more authority, it's that he has more responsibilities.

Q: Will how to deal with Students be included in the Compact/Commitments?

A: Add to #5 below C on the draft of the Compact/Commitments.

Ms. Gloria Powell Parent member made a motion to extend the meeting 10 minutes.
Ms. Virginia Hughes Community Representative 2nd the motion to extend the meeting 10 minutes more.

Prior to the next agenda item-election for Vice Chairperson a motion was made by Mrs. Paula Daniels, Parent Community Facilitator to also include election of 1 more Parent Representative to the Parent Collaborative as the 3 Representatives from PCAC will continue. Ms. Gloria Powell Parent Member 2nd the motion to elect 1 additional Member. A unanimous vote was taken all in favor.

Election procedures were explained there were no questions comments concerns so the floor was opened.

Mr Reginald Green was nominated for Vice Chairperson, by Peggy Nash-Jones Secretary.

A call for anyone for the office of Vice Chairperson either by self nomination or by anyone else. After 2 more calls, there was no one else and Ms. Julie Burg made a motion to accept the one name of Reginald Green for the office of Vice Chairperson with Ms Virginia Hughes 2nd the motion. There was no discussion and by acclamation Mr. Reginald Green was congratulated as the new Vice Chair Person of the PCAC.

Election for the Parent Collaborative for one Representative from PCAC was held. Ms. Julie Burg nominated Mr. Tony Radford for Representative. Tony Radford accepted the nomination. After 2 more calls for any nominations Ms. Peggy Nash-Jones Secretary made a motion to accept the one name of Tony Radford for the Parent Collaborative. Mr. Reginald Green Vice Chairperson, 2nd the nomination. There was no discussion and by acclamation Mr. Tony Radford was congratulated as the new Parent Representative to the Parent Collaborative.

Public Comment: Ms. Hudson Community Representative urged Parents to get the word out to come out and vote against the Public School Choice of the Charter Schools and other interested parties who have submitted a plan to control the educational process at schools that have been newly built or identified Focus Schools and take these schools away from the education and operational control of Los Angeles Unified School District. Ms. Jackson member of the community wants parents to come to Florence Griffith Joyner Elementary School to remain a LAUSD school and not to be taken over.

Ms. Jackson member of the community made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ms Gloria Powell Parent member 2nd the motion. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 am.

Next Meeting: Thursday February 25th 2010 at 9:00am. Conference Room A LD7

Respectfully Submitted, Ms. Peggy Nash-Jones, Secretary