



## LANE TECH COLLEGE PREP HIGH SCHOOL

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### Meeting Minutes: Local School Council Regular Meeting

#### Meeting Details: 6:30 PM on September 17, 2020, Via Zoom (Recorded) Meeting

Following are the meeting minutes. Original posted Meeting Agenda items are listed with the meeting minutes noted directly below.

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Emily Haite called the meeting to order at 6:42 PM.

#### 2. Roll Call / Establish Quorum (7 minimum)

**Present:** Matthew Beudet, William Cashman, Maureen George, Katharine Gomez, Emily Haite, Daniel Law, Anne Lokken, Ana Scales, Laura Symons, Brian Tennison (Principal), Dannixa Velez and Benjamin Wong

**Absent:** Patricia O'Keefe

#### **QUORUM ESTABLISHED**

#### 3. Approve Agenda

**Motion:** Emily Haite motioned to approve tonight's Agenda with two changes, "herby" corrected to "hereby" and numbering on the agenda amended.

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Laura Symons

**Vote:** Unanimous, all in favor

**Result:** Motion Passes

#### 4. Approve Prior Meeting Minutes

**Motion:** Approve Special Meeting SRO Minutes from August 10, 2020.

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Laura Symons

**Abstained:** Matthew Beudet

**Vote:** Majority in favor, one abstention

**Result:** Motion passes

## 5. Public Participation 2 minutes each

- Participants must “raise their hands” in the zoom meeting to be called on. Chat off.
- Maureen George is in charge of muting and unmuting.
- Submitted question or statement before meeting (HIGHLY) suggested. Please email emilylanelsc@gmail.com. Subject line Lane September LSC.

Robyn Donovan on Go Guardian. Her primary concern is security. Mr. Tennison verified that, if students are signed into their CPS account; Go Guardian will automatically turn on and may continue to run in the background. Ms. Donovan shared a note of precaution: if kids are sharing the same computer for work (etc. and have not logged off) Go Guardian will still run in the background.

## 6. Reports

- a. Principal Report – See attached.

Lane had QuickStart for 4451 students. Distributed planners, photos were taken and handed out 677 Chromebook devices.

Weeklong Professional Development. Teachers to communicate once a week with families.

Thank you from Mr. Tennison to Friends of Lane for donating \$8,000.00 for Pear Deck. A great resource tool (it integrates the teacher's curriculum to be engaging and interactive for students).

Partook in equity training and social emotional learning. Teacher team meeting towards curriculum. Discussed grading policies, encouraged teachers to be flexible and lower stress.

CPS wide, uninvited guests entered zoom. Lane learnt how to ‘lock up’ a classroom.

Adjusting to screen time and mental health are in the forefront. Two and a half social workers and school psychologist to help students handle classwork. Friends of Lane and Lane's school counseling department will conduct a seminar addressing depression and suicide prevention.

Homework assignments: 1 – 1.5 hours of screen time per week, per class at asynchronous time. Lane was denied block schedule from CPS.

Wiring for 116 Security Cameras to be installed in a few weeks.

SAT for 581 (graduation requirement for seniors- school base SAT) students next week. Another at the end of October and Spring of 2021.

- b. PPLC – Katie Gomez. Election October 2, teacher to apply. PPLC is focused on Balanced Assessment and grading for equitable access across all students.
- c. Friends of Lane – Nikki Pesch (FOL President). Financials - 250K at the bank. FOL needs to start purchasing furniture for the Think Lab. Friends have been supplying various teacher needs. FOL purchased Pear Deck for Lane. The Annual Appeal goal is to fund remote learning technology for teachers and students. There's a significant number of parents who signed up to be proctors for SAT/PSAT. An at-large board member resigned and was replaced by a current member who is consequently working on the Annual Appeal. FOL volunteered to pay for the LSC's Zoom account.

7. New Business Jill Woods (Treasurer/Budget Office). Three purchases and one position requests.

- a. Check approvals – Vernier purchase virtual ‘seating’ labs (4,000) for remote instruction for the whole science department at total of \$17,200.00.

CDW – Security cameras and 4 security viewing stations for camera to the sum of \$10,261.36. Three entrances and security offices. Monitors connected not just to Lane, but to Office and Safety Security CPS downtown and the Chicago Police Department.

Lowery McDonnell for 30 work table and stools, for 3 computer science, in rooms 124, 309 and 106 to the sum of \$19,860.45.

**Motion:** Emily Haite motioned to approve the 3 budget requests

**Second:** Laura Symons

**Vote:** Unanimous, all in favor

**Result:** Motion passes

- b. Fundraiser approval – none
- c. Open position approval – Brian Tennison – Special Education position. Primarily a bookkeeping status; CPS swept all licensed special ed positions, and inadvertently included the Director of Admission as a teaching position. But Lane needs a Director of Admission and it is filled, a special ed position was established. As required by law, Lane would then be fully staffed.

**Motion:** Emily Haite motioned to approve that position (Special Ed)

**Second:** Brian Tennison

**Vote:** Unanimous, all in favor

**Result:** Motion passes

8. Old Business

- a. Symbol: Symbol Naming Committee - Billy Cashman, Emily Haite, Maureen George with Benjamin Wong as an advisor. The purpose of this committee to create a plan of action.

**Motion:** Emily Haite motioned to create Symbol Naming Committee to create a process of naming the new symbol.

**Second:** Anne Lokken

**Vote:** Unanimous, all in favor

**Result:** Motion passes

- b. Safety: Video cameras in the building connected to CPS Office of Safety and Security and Chicago Police Department will provide sustainable surveillance. Mr. Tennison, Alderman Mark Meade, the principal of DePaul HS, and a 19<sup>th</sup> district representative will meet to come up with a safety plan for the before and after school, on school grounds.

For the record, two parents, Matt Beaudet and Patricia O’Keefe, voted to keep the SRO. They do not believe that the cameras would be sufficient to deter an active shooter. Anne Lokken responded, ‘that there’s a misconception that having an SRO would deter a shooter.’ In her opinion: historically that has not been the case and the statistic that she looked at doesn’t bear that in the schools. School SRO remains a contested topic.

Mr. Tennison emphasized that Lane needs a relationship with CPD. CPS Safety and Security will give us a plan and the principal will manage resources. Lane is awaiting that directive. One initiative Lane is considering is a forward security guard who will watch when students are entering the building ahead of time and when they are entering wearing masks. Lunchroom doors will be upgraded for security. Lane had two SRO's at the beginning of the school year, then went down to one. Emily Haite said as far as personnel, CPS pays for 6 of our security guards and Lane Tech pays for 7 of our security guards.

#### 9. Announcement

The House extended the LSC's term. LSC election is coming up and the new term will begin (January 2021). A reminder FOL meets the first Wednesdays of the month.

#### 10. Adjournment

**Motion:** Emily Haite motioned to adjourn at 7:47pm

**Second:** Laura Symons

**Vote:** Unanimous, all in favor

**Result:** Motion passes

Respectfully submitted,

Ana Scales

LSC Secretary

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 15, 2020, 6:30 PM Via Zoom

These minutes were approved with changes on October 15, 2020.

(1 attachment)



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September Principal's Report 2020

## **CIWP Priorities: [ciwp.cps.edu](http://ciwp.cps.edu)**

- 1. Depth and Breadth of Student Learning and Quality Teaching: Instruction**
- 2. Depth and Breadth of Student Learning and Quality Teaching: Balanced Assessment and Grading**
- 3. Quality and Character of School Life: Relational Trust**

**Competency A: Champions teachers and staff excellence through a focus on continuous improvement to develop and achieve the vision of high expectations for all students.**

- Held Professional development for teachers on communication, grading, tools and practices for remote learning.
- Teacher teams are adjusting curriculum in English and Social Science.
- All teacher teams met to work on first units for the year.

**Competency B: Creates powerful professional learning systems to guarantee learning for all students.**

- Held a week of professional development
- Held two all staff meetings and multiple department meetings along with team meetings.
- Held Equity meetings for all staff in sessions.
- Held Social and emotional professional development for all staff in multiple meetings to support teachers in supporting students.

**Competency C: Builds a culture focused on College and Career readiness-develops the full range of students' learning capacities, creative, social-emotional, behavioral and physical.**

- Counselors have schedules open for students to meet with their counselor
- College and career newsletter has started
- College reps have started meeting with students this week.
- Counselors met with Advisories.

**Competency D: Empowers and motivates families and the community to become engaged.**

- Met with Friends of Lane parents and introduced administration and answered questions.
- Met with Freshman parents.
- Had Quickstart for 4451 students.
- We have currently handed out 677 chromebook devices to students. We anticipate requests will continue to come in.
- Wiring for Security Cameras going from 21 to 116. Cameras anticipated to be installed during the next couple of weeks.

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**Competency E: Relentlessly pursues self-disciplined thinking and action supports a climate that values, accepts, and understands diversity in culture and point of view.**

- Met with department chairs to discuss remote learning.
- Developed look fors for classroom visits
- Admin have been visiting classes.
- Preparing to administer SAT to 581 students next week.

**Budget: Presented by Jill Woods**

**Dates to Remember:**

- **September 23 SAT**
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