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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

Lane Tech High School Local School Council Regular Meeting Notice is hereby given that the Local School Council meeting has been set for: **Thursday, January 11, 2024, at 6:00 PM** in Room 113, 2501 W. Addison, or on Google Meet. Join Google - meet.google.com/tfr-jjva-dhc

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

1. Call Meeting to Order

Benjamin Wong called on January 11, 2024, at the LSC Meeting to Order at 6:03 PM

2. Roll Call / Establish Quorum (8 minimum)

Present: Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty (Sergeant of Arms), Rebecca Daly, Jamie Fleischmann (arrived 6:13 PM), Owen Frasor, Susannah Gottlieb, Sean Groh, Anne Lokken (Co-Chair OMA/FOIA), Mario Nunez, Divinefavour Osuji, Edwina Thompson (Principal), Dannixa Velez and Benjamin Wong (Chair)

Absent: Ana Scales, Maureen George

Virtual: Tikisha Buford (5 ILCS 120/7) Sec. 7.

Quorum Established

Motion: To allow Tikisha Buford to participate in the meeting virtually

By: Ben Wong

Second: Susannah Gottlieb

Vote: Unanimous, in favor

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Result: Motion Passes

3. Approve the Agenda

Motion: To approve the January agenda

By: Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty

Second: Susannah Gottlieb

Vote: Unanimous, in favor

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Result: Motion Passes

4. Approve Old Minutes

Motion: To approve the December minutes

By: Susannah Gottlieb

Second: Sean Groh

Vote: Unanimous, in favor

Opposed: None

Abstained: Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty and Dannixa Velez

Result: Motion Passes

5. Public Participation 2 minutes each

Public Participation -Two minutes per speaker for no more than one hour (unless otherwise extended by the LSC). Sergeant-at-arms to monitor the rotating in-person and virtual Google 'Chat' during public participation. <https://ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/fulltext.asp?Name=103-0311>

There were no requests for public participation either in-person or virtually.

6. LSC Resolutions - Ben Wong (See Attached)

- a. JV Boys Soccer Team - City Champions
- b. OMEGA Day of Service

7. New Business

A. Purchase Orders and Fundraisers -Renee Luis/ Jill Woods

Purchase orders: (2)

- Turnitin \$15,677.00 database to check for feedback and originality
- Windstar Lines Inc. \$16,791.50 passenger bus for HBCU college tour

Fundraisers: (4)

- Student Council Junior Class- Sweetheart dance ticket sales 1/22/24 - 1/26/24 dance will be in late February
- LTAC winter formal ticket sales 2/5/24 - 2/8/24 (dance is 2/8/24)
- BSA chocolate bar sales from World's Finest 2/12/24 - 2/26/24
- Friends of Lane Green/Gold Gala May 3, 2024

Motion: To approve purchase orders and fundraisers

By: Anne Lokken

Second: Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty

Vote: Unanimous, in favor

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Result: Motion Passes

8. Reports

- A. Principal Report - Edwina Thompson highlighted several items in her report. There are multiple ongoing facilities projects including an updated sound system in the auditorium (projected to be finished in time for the musical tech rehearsals), updated HVAC, and upgraded E-Rate (internet). The E-Rate project will double the number of internet access points, increase internet speed (up to 4x), and allow for future increase in capacity. The parking lot project is currently paused; however, there are discussions regarding relocating the compactor to provide more parking spaces. Principal Thompson noted MLK day is Monday, January 15, 2024. Lane Tech is honoring his work in various ways throughout the building this month. Principal Thompson also shared that teachers will begin a new professional learning cycle with continued focus on differentiation. Topics include student feedback and a review of selected books. Finally, Principal Thompson said she will serve on a new “Budget Priority Funding Group” created by CPS to gather input from stakeholders regarding budget priorities.
- B. PPLC - Rebecca Daly and Mario Nunez – the next PPLC meeting was moved to next week.
- C. Friends of Lane - Lisa Applebaum – Ms. Applebaum reported that 50 teacher grants have been approved so far. In addition, FOL raised \$18,000 for teacher/staff holiday gift cards. Every staff member received a \$30 gift card. Ms. Applebaum reviewed money raised from recent community “give back” events including those held at Hop Butcher (\$357), Wild Goose (\$200), Lou Malnati’s (\$344), Love Charlie (\$523) and Shop for Schools (\$853). Friends of Lane will host several upcoming events as follows: Parent Social/Guest Bartenders at Commonwealth (2/29/24) and Third Rail Tavern, a movie screening of “LIKE” at

Lane Tech (2/21/24), and the Green & Gold Gala (5/3/23). The FOL annual appeal is ongoing. Over \$50,000 was raised on Giving Tuesday. Funds raised through the annual appeal will go towards purchasing new Mac computers for the Art Department (360 Macbooks for an estimated cost of \$300,000). The next FOL community meeting will be held virtually on February 6, 2024 (“State of Lane”). Other future meetings will be held on March 5 (school tour), April 9 (college parent panel), and May 7, 2024 (end of year meeting and check presentation).

D. Students – Sean Groh, Owen Frasor, Divinefavour Osuji – Sean Groh reported the junior student council is planning a Valentine’s dance for mid-February. In addition, student council and student leaders will meet with the administrative team at the end of January to discuss student concerns, focusing on bathroom conditions, demerits/I-days participation, and a potential lawn clean up with DePaul College Prep students. Owen Frasor reported that SAT Prep registration closes 1/12/24 and National Honor Society applications are due by 1/16/24. Course selection has begun for juniors. The Lane Tech choir is preparing for the IHSA state competition on 3/2/24 (and is defending their state title for the third year in a row). The Lane Tech musical “Mama Mia” will be 2/14 - 2/17/24. In addition, applications are currently open for student elections judges.

Divinefavour Osuji reported that Alpha student representatives for the science fair are competing in the virtual regional fair competition. Alpha freshman science fair mentoring will occur on 1/24/24. A new Alpha Honor Code will replace the old Integrity Pledge. Finally, yesterday the Northwestern Academy for Public Schools hosted a presentation about their opportunities for BIPOC/First Gen/Low Income students at the CCC.

E. Alumni Association - Michelle Weiner – Ms. Weiner reported LTAA student scholarships will be open for applications again this spring and LTAA anticipates awarding at least \$225,000 in student scholarships. The LTAA awarded \$3,600 to help fund the Winter Musical (“Mama Mia”), LTAC Spring Play, and new Theatre Production and Design class. Alumni are excited to attend “Mama Mia.” The LTAA congratulates the Girls Flag Football team on their State Championship and will fund their championship rings. There will be two class reunions this spring, including a 50th anniversary reunion of Lane’s 1974 State Champion Boys Track team. Finally, an all-class reunion will be held at the Copernicus Center on March 15, 2024 (AG Lane’s birthday). Money will be raised at the reunion to expand the LTAA college bus tour program.

F. BAC - No Report

9. Old Business

A. LSC Surveys – Parents, Teachers and Students. The LSC discussed changes to the annual LSC surveys in light of recent changes to the CPS Principal Evaluation criteria.

Ben Wong suggested adding a question to the Parent Survey as follows: “I feel

comfortable contacting building administration to contribute my perspective regarding decisions that impact me or my children.” The LSC agreed to add the question.

Motion: To add the above question to the Parent Survey pending approval by the CPS Legal Department.

By: Anne Lokken

Second: Jaime Fleischmann

Vote: Unanimous, in favor

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Result: Motion Passes

Rebecca Daly indicated the Teacher Survey needs an overhaul to align more closely to the new evaluation categories. Sean Groh removed duplicative questions from the Student Survey, and will review questions regarding homework and counseling services. All surveys (Parent, Teacher and Student) will be sent to the CPS Legal Department for approval as soon as possible. Once approved by the Legal Department, the LSC will vote to adopt the amended surveys. The preferred timeline is as follows: Approve the revised, CPS-approved surveys (February LSC meeting), post surveys and encourage stakeholder responses (mid-February), review survey responses and present them to the community (March or April LSC meeting), and conduct principal evaluation (April/May). Ben Wong reminded the LSC that Principal Thompson’s contract is up for renewal next school year. The LSC can meet to discuss contract renewal based on principal evaluations from the prior three years as early as July.

10. Announcements – Next meeting is February 8, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

11. Adjournment at 7:02 PM

Motion: To adjourn at 7:02 PM

By: Anne Lokken

Second: Jaime Fleischmann

Vote: Unanimous, in favor

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Result: Motion Pass

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JANUARY 11, 2024 | SY23/24

CIWP Priorities ciwp.cps.edu 23–24	School Priorities SY
1. Curriculum & Instruction (C&I)	1. Curriculum & Instruction
2. Postsecondary Success (PS)	2. Success of ALL Learners
3. Connectedness & Wellbeing (C&W)	3. School Accountability & Student Safety

Domain 1 Organizational Leadership	
Oversees systems, structures, and processes for continuous improvement Vision, mission & goals Strategic planning & budgeting Change management Continuous improvement	CIWP
Using S1 academic and attendance data, Champion Coaches (mentor program) will launch this month. Students will be paired with a volunteer staff member that will establish a relationship, develop and progress monitor goals, and impact academic performance to disrupt the predictability of failure in classes S2.	C &W
Mission and Vision committee are working on a survey to send to the school community as we continue work on revising our mission and vision.	C&W
The attendance office is continuing the use of the absence recovery plan to assist those students who have no more than 10 absences to meet the thresholds for I-Days and prom.	C&W
Assistant Principals continue to conduct check-ins with each Course Team lead to reflect, celebrate, and set goals for leadership work using the district's Distributed Leadership Framework.	C&I

Behavior is tracked and compared to previous years in an attempt to be as proactive as possible at addressing social, emotional, and behavioral needs that may arise. Certain offenses are drastically lower this year than previous years. We can show the hard work is directly paying off.	C&W
The Course Registration App has been updated for SY2425 so students will schedule online and in-person with their counselors.	C&I
Teachers will continue to meet to discuss the new Alpha STEM Program Honor Code to take the place of the former Alpha STEM Academic Integrity Pledge. This will model what colleges and universities have in place for their student code of conduct. This process will also include input from students.	C&W
On Wednesday, January 24th during Champions Hour, Alpha students will be participating in the upcoming May 2024 spring science fair will meet their mentors for the second time to discuss their projects.	C&I
Students who completed top projects at the Lane Tech December 7th Science Fair will be submitting their presentations and/or papers for the virtual Regional STEM Exhibition and/or Symposium. Students with high scores will advance to the City STEM Exhibition and/or Symposium Sessions.	C&I
Outreach calls will be made to students who are at risk of being chronically truant. Currently, there are 160 students who require a call home discussing the risks of truancy.	C&I

LTAC 7th and 8th grade teachers have team meetings weekly to discuss student concerns and progress in courses.	C&I
The AD is meeting with Fall Coaches to specifically pinpoint areas of growth and discuss areas of growth to best communicate with our Lane families and impact our student athletes.	C&W
The Diverse Learners department hired two new teachers. The Case Management team is working on caseload distribution in order to assign students to teachers in a thoughtful and effective way; this will include coordinating efforts with other teachers, specialists, or support staff to address the diverse needs of students across inclusion classes.	C&W
Vision Exams have started this month for students who were either referred by staff or parents.	
Omega Staff are working on Omega 2.0 to further develop the civic centered aspects of the program.	C&I
Building projects: Assisting with MEP, SIT, and E-Rate Projects; Auto door opener installed @ 157; Dock Lift refurbished; Repaired pool robot vacuum; New pool chlorinator valve and float; LED light conversions as needed in classrooms.	

Domain 2 Instructional Core	
Oversees systems, structures, and processes for continuous improvement Courses and Content Instructional Strategies Assessment data	CIWP Connection

We have launched Take Charge Tuesday, aimed at engaging juniors with the CCC. This past Tuesday Erin Driesbach hosted post-secondary vision board making. Next week we will host UIUC, the US Army, and Willamette University for presentations tied to applying to college. Presentations will continue on most Tuesdays throughout the second semester.	PS
During January we're hosting presentations by Northwestern Academy for Public Schools, University of Chicago Collegiate Scholars, University of Chicago Space Explorers, Lurie Children's Discovering Healthcare Careers program, and ATLAS Fellowship about their opportunities for BIPOC/ First Gen/ Low Income students.	PS
Lane teachers will kick off the second semester by diving into professional learning sessions on Feedback led by our ILT, or through book studies with their course teams.	C&I
On December 22nd, during our School Improvement Day, Lane teachers delved into the P/SAT and SAT data of their students, engaging in collaborative discussions within their course teams to strategize and enhance academic achievement.	C&I
The Instructional Leadership Team presented at a lead teacher meeting focused on PSAT data to model strategies for how data might be utilized for differentiation.	C&W
The Instructional Leadership Team developed a book study protocol for course teams to use as a framework during their professional learning in the second semester.	C&I
Students with IEPs have begun the process of course selection for the 2024/25 school year. Every student with an IEP has met with their respective service providers to ensure that courses selected are in-compliance with IEP mandates. Students are in the process of meeting with the admissions director to finalize their selections.	PS

The deans make regular visits around the community during lunches to double check on how students are behaving.	PS
The deans make routine check-ins on students that have needed support in the past to ensure that the school environment stays as safe as possible.	PS
The MTSS team is reviewing and modifying the Academic Plan intervention that was implemented last semester to make it more impactful and useful for students, teachers, and support staff. The team will be discussing the efficacy of this intervention.	PS
The Director of Admissions has met with and submitted schedules for 15 students with IEPs, ~325 students total, who need to have schedules created. The focus this year is on balancing a schedule with a PE or other less rigorous elective in place of Occupational Prep for seniors, promoting Women in Literature & African American Literature as options, and meeting students' interests through classes.	C&W

Omega English teachers will meet to revise the program's vertical alignment for writing and content.	C&I
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LTAC 7th and 8th grade teams continue to meet weekly regarding student concerns and overall planning.	C&I
IAR planning is underway for testing this spring for LTAC students.	C&I
SAT prep sign up is still underway for Lane's personalized extra practice sessions.	C&I
Domain 3 Climate & Culture	
<p>Ensures that organizational norms, routines and systems equitably promote the students' intellectual, social, and emotional development</p> <p>Family & community engagement Connectedness & wellbeing Systems & structures</p>	<p>CIWP</p> <p>Connection</p>
Lane seniors have 1,550 confirmed college acceptances in Schoolinks. We just launched a raffle to incentivize uploading evidence of acceptances. Students also get to add a sticker to our wall of acceptances in the CCC after uploading evidence to Schoolinks (the goal is to celebrate acceptances without upsetting students who may have been rejected from the same school).	PS
Our Illinois Student Assistance Commission representative is coming on Wednesdays to support students with completing the FAFSA or Alternative Application. As the FAFSA is not working for students with undocumented parents, among others, we are holding off on incentives tied to completing the FAFSA until all students can complete it.	PS
Dean Cheatham's Student Voice Committee has been working on a student-friendly language version of the CPS Student Code of Conduct in an effort to give Lane Tech students easy access to easily understood information they may need.	C&W
Students have removed over 8k demerits this year by setting a Goal Week—a week of perfect attendance.	C&W

The Culture and Climate team will be hosting talking circles for students to address how they are feeling with everything that's happening in the world. Students will have an opportunity to discuss how they are feeling, coping skills, and how to support communities impacted by loss and grief.	C&W
Student focus groups are being planned for February. Communication will be sent to all students inviting them to share their experiences as Lane students and how we can continue to grow as a community.	PS
LTAC will be hosting a CPD Internet Safety presentation in Advisory on 1/10, 1/17, 1/21, 1/28.	C&W
LTAC students will be doing goal setting and semester 1 reflection in Academy courses.	C&W
While creating the list of student candidates to be assigned a mentor, the MTSS team will use S1 failure data to analyze the disproportionality between demographic groups of the student body, and students in greatest need should be held in priority when considering this tier 2 academic support.	C&W
My Brother's Keeper male mentorship group for Black and Hispanic Male students will have its first introduction meeting January 23, 2024.	C&W
Lane Tech Chess Team member Avi Kaplan won a National Youth Chess Competition. Providing opportunities for our students to compete at the highest levels.	C&W
The girls basketball team is hosting Women in Sports Day - 1/13/24. We are hosting 12 girls basketball games to celebrate National Women in Sports Day. The matchups also feature a public league vs. private league competition, which is in alignment with CPL's initiative to promote the cross over relationship.	C&W
The athletic department is launching SALT - Student Athlete Leadership Training- and working with PCA - Positive Coaching Alliance to provide training for a select group of student athletes. These athletes will learn skills to make our Lane community stronger by learning to do what it takes to set a positive example for other students throughout our sports teams.	C&W
The winter sports teams are celebrating several senior nights to honor the work our seniors have done over the course of the past four years.	C&W
The Food Pantry continues to provide and serve students and their families with meals and snacks. This month we have served 5 families.	C&W
Lane's Unified basketball event will be held with our unified leaders and cluster students on 1/25.	C&W
Lane's Omega Leadership Team will be meeting with an Omega parent group to draft the by laws for the Omega Community Corp.	C&W
Lane staff will partner with SEL specialists to discuss staff's concerns and knowledge around student's SEL needs.	C&W
Willow House , a community organization, will be providing group counseling through a grief group.	C& W

Domain 4 Talent	
<p>Ensures identification, development, and retention of diverse talent and cultivates leadership</p> <p>Identification & role definition Development & evaluation Professional culture & retention Leadership teams & development</p>	<p>CIWP</p> <p>Connection</p>
Administrators have completed a total of 138 REACH classroom evaluation observations and 44 non-evaluative walkthrough visits. The admin team also completed non-evaluative walkthroughs with the NW14 team.	C&I
Principal Thompson and Assistant Principals mentor two aspiring administrators who are seeking their administrative leadership certification.	C&I
LTAC teachers will be collaborating with teachers from Burley Elementary School around curriculum and instruction to better prepare students for entering high school.	
Cluster team is partnering with SBSS specialists for SECA coaching for students with intensive behavioral needs.	C&I
Social Work interns attend clinician's meetings to learn and develop best practices for their social work role.	C&I
Administrators are currently interviewing for temporary leave positions. Those interviews also include Department Chairs, Lead Teachers, Cluster department is interviewing for 2 new SECAs this month.	C&I
We have a new teacher in our DL department co-teaching in US history this semester.	C & I
The diverse learner department provided Transition Training opportunities to teachers; Transitionpalooza is offered by the district to support in the composition of transition plans included in IEPs.	C&I



A Resolution

of the Lane Tech Local School Council

Honoring Our 2023-24

Lane Tech Junior Varsity Boys Soccer

Team

Whereas, Lane Tech is known as the School of Champions having a rich century-old tradition of academic and athletic excellence;

Whereas, the student-athletes of Lane Tech continue to exhibit the dedication, sacrifice, teamwork, fair play and spirit which are the true hallmarks of a champion;

Whereas, the 2023-24 Fall Season produced yet another City Championship for Lane Tech;

Whereas, the Lane Tech Junior Varsity Boys Soccer Team won the Chicago Public League City Championship by beating Solorio 3-2 in a thrilling championship match and capping off the season with an outstanding record of 17-2-1;

Whereas, the following players are recognized for these team awards:

*Offensive Player of the Year: **Leo Vera***

*Defensive Player of the Year: **Sam Matznick***

*Goal of the Year: **Julian Strelow vs. Lyons Township (Solorio Invitational)***

*Rookie of the Year: **Dani Szabados***

*Acosta Award: **Baden Scott***

*MVPs: **Adrian Szkolnik and Sebastian Bernal***

Whereas, the Lane Tech Junior Varsity Boys Soccer team has added their names to

and enhanced the legacy of Lane Tech as the School of Champions; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Lane Tech Local School Council, on behalf of the Lane Tech community, do hereby recognize and commend the the Junior Varsity Boys Soccer team for their outstanding achievements and look with pride to their continued success.

BOYS JUNIOR VARSITY SOCCER TEAM – Head Coach Francisco Acosta and Assistant Coach Rodrigo Salgado

Radu Anghel Charlie Anselbach David Augustynski Christian Battung Alec Beitel Sebastian Bernal Luke Dumstorff Thomas Ellison Miles Lambert Sam Matznick Miles Morrow Luke Pagones

Nathan Perrichon-Nguyen Aalessandro Pinduisaca Gus Rozic

Maks Schechinger Baden Scott Julian Strelow

Anthony Suarez Dani Szabados Adrian Szkolnik Leo Vera Joshua Wang



A Resolution

of the Lane Tech Local School Council

Honoring Lane Tech's Omega's Day of Service

Whereas, Lane Tech is known as the School of Champions having a rich century-old tradition of academic and athletic excellence and community service;

Whereas, the Omega Day of Service promotes the Omega Program's mission and commitment to civic engagement;

Whereas, under the guidance of Lane Tech Teachers Brian Telles, Paul Stepek, Ali Sears, Robert Bartelt, Nissa Applequist, Katharine LaRoche, Julie Caracci, and Erin McMahon, nearly 250 students and staff members participated in serving eight local non-profit organizations this year.

Whereas, the entire Omega community (teachers, students, parent volunteers, and other Lane staff) breaks off into smaller groups to go to various organizations around the city and northern suburbs to engage in hands-on service; some of the organizations the Omega Program has helped are Cradles to Crayons, LaBagh Woods, Feed My Starving Children, Bernie's Book Bank, Breakthrough Ministries, Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly, Greater Chicago Food Depository, Council for Jewish Elderly, Lincoln Park Community Services, The Friendship Center, and the Lane Tech neighborhood;

Whereas the following Omega Student Council Members deserve special recognition:

Lilibeth Vargas Madelyn Santella Ruby Doyle Annabelle Murtha Esther Detweiler

.Emma Hunter Bruno Brown Mila Jimenez Chalotte Braund

Nickolas Vargas Geneva Duncan Hazel Sheppard Claire Doherty

.Madeline Ziemer Matthew Trice Deniana Clemente Hazel Rorem Megan Wong