# PLCS Executive Board Meeting 4-16-10

**Attendance**: Christy Scadden, Teresa Drew, Shelli Kurth, Julie Cramer, Marvin Estrin, Karen Barton, April Dorman, Vicki Moats

## **Girard Grant**

- Written and finished. Conference call with "Two Revolutions.org" and Susan Walking from Girard. Matt Spathas, Christy Scadden and Julie Cramer will be taking the conference call.
- The Girard Foundation will have a meeting in May to determine if we get the grant.

## **Cluster Governance**

- James Macius (the CFO) had been put on leave from the district three days before our meeting regarding the budget.
- We now deal with Phil Stover. Matt met with him. Asked him to review allocation and budget for discretionary for cluster.

## **Open Letter Group**

• Open Letter Group will have results by the end of May. We will be one of the first to know. The other cluster groups have been involved too.

# New superintendent structure

- New structure will be to have the "CIO" (or whatever they will call it) will oversee K-12. Application process has begun for the positions.
- Nellie Meyer has also changed positions.

## **Principal Meeting**

• Principals met. Some principals still do not have a clear understanding of what we are doing regarding cluster budget governance. Matt and Christy will be meeting one more time at the end of April with principal to clear up.

## **Science Meeting (Marvin)**

- Representatives from PLHS, Corriea, Dana, and Loma Portal attending the science meeting.
- Technology: Correia needs updated technology to keep up with PLHS.
- Possibly ESEK training.
- Example: Update from web lockers to Google docs.
- Some students are unprepared for the technology at Correia. Why? Who are these students?
- Students weak in math struggle in some sciences.
- State doesn't require a minimum amount of minutes for science.
- Elementary School Science is being "eaten up" by Language Arts units of inquiry (that lead to the benchmark tests).
- Could we possibly have our cluster control benchmark testing.
- Follow up meeting soon

Team met and discussed how we can utilize metrics to see how the students have grown. Parents, staff, teachers were in the group

# **Safety:**

- Trying to slow traffic on Chatsworth through the school zone.
- Looking into OB crosswalk.

#### GATE:

• Katey Anderson is exploring options for the high school group who don't want to take Human Geography as an elective but still want to continue in the seminar program. (Currently you must take Human Geography)

## **Special Education:**

 Special Ed students are being put into classes with low performing students and second language learners. District has admitted to this practice. Investigating filing a complaint.

## **Update on Dana's Promotion Ceremony (Vicki Moats)**

- The survey regarding eliminating promotion at Dana came back a 49 to 51
- Dana will be phasing out promotion ceremony in small steps.
- This year will include renting chairs just for students facing the audience.
- Next year will be for students' only including Correia students.

## **Fundraising**

- Website Ads: Continuing with wine pub and mathnasuim
- Daddy-Os decided not to have an add at this time.

# **Recruiting For Next Year**

- Need to Recruit for next year.
- Need Learning Environment Chair, Fundraising Chair
- Tricia Schuster to take over some of the fundraising.

# Treasurer:

Motion by Julie Cramer to pay for a Post Office Box for 1 year at \$96.00. Second by Vicki Moats Motion passed

#### To Do:

- Be sure our executive board structure is true to our bylaws.
- Everyone to invite 1 person to be on board.
- Bring something for May Meeting (drink, dessert, snack)