

# Local School Council Advisory Board (LSCAB)

## Meeting Minutes –

### Wednesday- December 17, 2025

#### **Meeting Attendance**

Members Present (In Person and/or Virtual):

- Shanequa Delashment (**in-person**)
- Lois Levine (**in-person**)
- Robert Bushwaller (**in-person**)
- Earl Grandberry, Jr. (**in-person**)
- Achietta Shannon (**in-person**)
- John Boggs (**in-person**)
- Alejandra Herrera (virtual)
- Patrick Chee (virtual)
- Stephen Mitchell (virtual)
- Leonor Arellano-Diaz (virtual)
- Jaya Lee Taylor (virtual)
- Dr. Leonard Harris (virtual)

Members Absent

- Kristian Armendariz (absent)
- Belicia Royster (absent)
- Leon Benford (absent)

Quorum is established at 5 people - 6 PM - December 17, 2025

- Call to order at 6:05 PM

#### **Approval of agenda** - Unanimous

**Approval of Prior November 2025 minutes** - Not available will be presented for approval in January 2026

#### **Public Participation**

Mr. Bushwaller asks for the primary characteristic of the whole school safety plan.

**Directors' Report - [See link.](#)**

Shared an update on SY26 LSC Elections, including:

- Election Timeline:
  - Candidate application window opened on October 20
  - Applications due January 20
- Application Data:
  - Over 900 applications submitted as of the meeting date - Only 9 student applications
  - Noted the need to significantly increase student candidate participation
- Reapplication Reminder:
  - Current members must reapply to serve in the next term; service is not automatic
- AppDash Competition:
  - Districtwide initiative to encourage early candidate applications and school-based recruitment
- Candidate Workshops:
  - Three upcoming workshops (two in English, one in Spanish) focused on campaign readiness
    - Dates Jan 27 - Feb 3 (spn) and Feb 10
- Election Judge Recruitment:
  - Ongoing need for approximately 2,000 judges
  - Stipend increased to \$325, inclusive of food allowance
- Student Leadership Initiatives:
  - Launch of the LSC Student Ambassador Program to support student recruitment and engagement

- Provided Clarification of student voting rights and eligibility

Members also asked clarifying questions regarding:

- Staff elections as non-binding preference polls
- Student elections as binding and one-year terms
- Vacancies are created when student members leave a school mid-term

## **Old Business:**

LSC Needs Assessment Discussion -

- K. Ford passes out a survey
- K. Ford answers questions for clarity -
  - Boggs -
    - Different section that focuses on each stakeholder's unique areas of concern (i.e., Student - how do you give a diplomatic report when the principal is on the council, but you see a problem within the school)
  - Bushwaller
    - Dashboard data
  - Levine
    - Clarity on community roles
- Timeline
  - A. Shannon wants to go after January
  - Townhalls - Earl Grandberry -
    - One town hall at each network.
    - Changes to regions
    - Earl Grandberry says at least one per region
    - The focus group should be a response to the survey
    - K. Ford clarifies that E. Grandberry introduces a new idea-focus group vs townhall. (mini listening sessions)
    - Once a survey comes out, you get data, and use that data to get focus groups.
    - K. Ford offers feedback at the listening session.

- As LSCAB or her team go out to LSC, they have a session w/ mini-listening sessions. This would complement the focus groups.
- University of Chicago Ed Lab
  - John Wolf
- [The Fund - Chicago Public Education Fund](#)
- UIC
- At the January meeting, we will finalize
  - Announce recommendations to BOE
  - January - Finalize questions
  - February - March - send out surveys
  - May - Look at data

Motion To: Start development of LSC Needs assessment framework survey as an agenda item for next meeting (January)

Archeitta Shannon- Do we have a commitment?

Motion To: adjourn meeting at 7:17 PM - Unanimous Yes