

**CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL/COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
MINUTES
September 16, 2020**

Members present: Jenny Barbehen, Scott Dunnell, Karrie Schlichting, Shannon Wood, Marjory Bedrup, Ryan Russ (absent), Roger Beauford, Angela Hart, Ed Brophy, and Dr. Cavallo

Agenda Item	Discussion/Information	Follow up
Introductions	J. Barbehen (Southside PTO), S. Kunkle (Forest Park Library), S. Wood (Board Rep.), Marjorie Bedrup (Garfield Rep.), K. Schlichting (FPMS Rep.), Angela Hart, S. Dunnell (District PR), R. Beauford (GW Principal), E. Brophy (Asst. Supt. of Operations), and L. Cavallo (Superintendent)	
Citizens' Advisory Council Membership	<p>This committee is a Board committee that is community based and allows us to hear concerns related to school issues. This committee has representatives from each school's parent organization, a citizen at large (parent without students in D91 school), the library, the park district, and village. Each year parent reps are selected through the parent organizations (could be parent organization officer or designee) and all memberships are approved by the Board.</p> <p>Please reach out to your parents asking for a participant to attend these meetings.</p>	
Remote Learning	<p>Remote learning this year is going well. Attendance is 80 - 90% and children are engaged. A letter will be going out tomorrow with safety guidelines for remote learning such as not recording students on the chromebooks and also proper social media guidelines. We are trying to make remote learning as successful as possible. The District is also providing free childcare to families and staff children at either the Park or the Community Center. At first the YMCA was providing the childcare and then the District changed gears and discontinued with the YMCA. The main reason for the change was the YMCA was more costly than the District originally thought it would be.</p>	

	<p>Dr. Cavallo thanks the teachers for doing such a great job during this time.</p> <p>Ms. Hart is using the childcare and she is thrilled with the switch from the YMCA - it is going much better - thank you.</p>	
Mr. Brophy	None	None
Board Report	Ms. Wood reported that the District has switched from using the YMCA for childcare to using the Park District and the Community Center.	None
School/Community Reports	<p>Ms. Barbehen - PTO will be having an executive function event via Zoom and will likely include all schools.</p> <p>Ms. Schlicting thanked the District for the pickups.</p> <p>Ms. Barbehen asked if pickups could be aligned to make it easier for those parents that have kids in multiple schools.</p> <p>Ms. Barbehen - PTO is willing to help out anyway they can and should email her with any needs.</p> <p>Ms. Kunkle - Library has a new Social Worker starting for children and adults that may need support. Her name is Ms. Marks and she will be available making virtual appointments. She will be at the library until the end of this school year. Dr. Cavallo is grateful for the library having a Social Worker since there is a big need for this kind of help right now.</p>	

Adjourned

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanette Barnes