School Business Partnership Executive Council Meeting
Minutes
Thursday, April 15, 2021

Committee Members Present: Tony Stafford, Bob Bisson, Susan Crosby, Melvin Greer, Adele Tierney, Melanie Scoggins, Tony Howard, Geoff Lawson, Nancy Evanko, Jim dePrado, Denise Rowell, and Michael Perham.

Others Present: Grant Schafer, Tina Howle, Wayde Byard, Nicole Herndon, Danielle Meyer, Nick Grzeda, Kristina Lee, Dr. Lhe Smith, Dawn Meyer, Odette Scovel, Tamara Morgan, and Danielle Nadler.

Location: WebX Virtual Meeting

1. Call to Order and Review of March Minutes

   • Meeting called to order at 8:02 a.m. by Bob Bisson.
   • Due to the absence of a quorum, the minutes from the March 18, 2021 could not be approved. This item will be on the agenda for the May 20, 2021 meeting.

2. Membership Update

   • Grant Schafer suggested that the Council holds a position open for the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation.
   • In response to comments regarding recruitment of additional council members from the Agricultural sector, a membership form has been sent to Doug Fabbioli of Fabbioli Cellars.
   • Council members are invited to send out the membership recruitment form to businesses that they think would be interested. Grant Schafer also sent this form to the LCPS school principals for membership recommendations. Please have the forms back to Grant Schafer by April 23rd. This allows time for the recommendations to go to the School Board by April 29th, 2021.

3. Melvin Greer-Propel and Level Up follow up

   • Melvin Greer introduced Tamara Morgan, Coordinator for Propel and Level Up as well as Odette Scovel, Science Supervisor, to give the council members and overview of the Propel and Level Up programs.
   • The Propel program is currently in 10 Elementary Schools, 4th and 5th grades. Level up is currently in 4 Middle Schools, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades.
   • These programs are currently housed within the Science Department, under Supervisor Odette Scovel.
   • Council members can contribute financially or with time commitments.
   • Please reach out to Tamara Morgan, Odette Scovel, LEF, or Melvin Greer if you would like to contribute or have questions.
• Melvin Greer will be reaching to council members to form subcommittees for mentorships, judges for fairs and competitions, and guest speakers.

4. Propel and Level Up/Focus Area: College and Career Readiness

• Grant Schafer split the council into 4 breakout rooms, each room having an LCPS staff member to facilitate. The groups discussed their thoughts on how the council can best support the Propel and Level Up programs moving forward. Notes were compiled in each breakout session and Grant Schafer will share those with the council members via email.

5. Focus Area: College Career Readiness

• The Senior Capstone Program is a program for High School Seniors to work closely with community partners to gain first-hand knowledge of varying careers. It is typically done in May/June and a community partner is typically a sponsor
• Please reach to Grant Schafer for more information.

6. Adjournment

The next School Business Partnership meeting will be held virtually on Thursday, May 20, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 8:59am.