# **Community Engagement Meeting**

Wednesday, April 25, 2018 Revised Minutes

### **Meeting Overview**

- Welcome new members
- PTC Presentations report
  - Good participation; variable attendance
  - o Feedback positive; some concerns brought up
    - Questioned fund balance slide difficult to understand (readability and placement/order in PTC discussion)
    - If vote to have tax rate increase, what are we talking about, would it be manageable? People want to know potential amount
      - ✓ Determining a number too early (before Community Engagement Meeting #5) could cause problems as people will focus on the number not purpose of first meeting
- Introduce new logo
  - o OUR89: Learn-Collaborate-Decide
    - Questioned "Decide" think it might be too forceful
    - Discussed possible acronym:
      - ✓ "OUR" O = Outstanding Schools, U = Unified Community, R = Responsibility
- Subcommittee sign-up (with one chairperson)
  - Communications (2-4 people)
  - o Canvassing (6-12 people)
    - June 2<sup>nd</sup> to publicize community meetings
    - Recruit others in the school communities
    - Reps from a variety of neighborhoods
  - o Outreach (6-10 people)
    - Brainstorm area groups that outreach members
- Community Engagement Plan

#### Brainstorming for June 5th Community Engagement Meeting

- First hour: Educate community What's our story?
- Purpose of first meeting is not to sell one option over other, it is to obtain broader community input
- People can trust the Cliffs Notes presentation
  - o Committee make-up; amount of work that went into planning
- Insure story line reaches the variety of community groups
  - Current district participants, former district participants and those who have not yet had or never had children in district
- Three things we want people to retain: Due Diligence, Structural Deficit, Quality of Schools
  - o Financial past, current, projected
    - Efforts taken for fiscal responsibility
      - ✓ Reductions, efficiencies, refunding bonds
      - ✓ Consolidated purchasing/services
      - ✓ Admin transfers/boundaries
    - Recommendations from 2011 CFC
      - ✓ Enrollment trends and difference between 2011 discussion and today

- How schools are funded (% from each)
  - ✓ CPI Cap
- Fee increases ahead
- Last rate increase referendum was 32 years ago
  - ✓ How many times surrounding districts have gone for rate increase
- Quality of CCSD89 Schools
  - $\checkmark$  What our children do in the classroom and accomplish
  - ✓ High quality programming
  - Area comparisons/ranking
  - Link between school quality and home value (realtor input)\*
    - ✓ Money spent
    - ✓ Sale of property
    - ✓ Address full-day Kindergarten
    - √ (\*) Can we locate research or have realtor there?
  - Enrollment trends next cuts will impact classroom
- Second hour: Values/priorities
  - Activity

## Sub-committee Planning Time

- Chairpersons:
  - o Kellie DeLeon Communications
  - o Carrie Zimmer Outreach
  - o Alicia Cieszykowski Canvassing
- Canvassing
  - o Boundary maps divided into subdivisions
    - Marked where committee members lived
    - Committee members to recruit additional helpers
    - Ask PTCs for support circulating fliers/invite
- Community Outreach
  - o Invite people and organizations to the June meeting
  - o Provide a 2-4 minute overview of work and purpose of community engagement
  - o Posters in public places announcing community meetings
  - o Target areas:

•	Glen Ellyn Juniors	Taste of Glen Ellyn
•	Healthtrack	Newcomers Clubs
•	COD Pavillion	YMCA

Churches (St. James/others)Chamber of Commerce

Rotary
Lions Club (Knights of Columbus)

Retirement communities Sports groups

Book/Bunko Clubs
Butterfield Park District
Preschool programs

League of Women Voters
HOAs: International Village, Raintree Condos,

Butterfield West, Valley View, Briarcliffe West,

Lakeside

## Absent:

Penny Belke, Sara Boucek, Tina Chivardi, Mari Luangrath, Victor Moore, Julie Nolan, Emily Tammaru, Diane Tye, Becky Waldbusser, Rod Wright