

## Masterman School Advisory Council - April 2, 2013, 5:00-5:50 PM

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### Attendees:

Marjorie Neff	III.B.1 (Principal)	
Louis Borda	III.B.2 (PFT Building Rep)	(Not Present)
Kim Neu	III.B.6 (Department Head)	
Angelina Williams	III.B.3 (HAS President)	
Rita Marazzo-Haines	III.B.7 (Non-Instructional Staff)	(Not Present)
Hannah Kearney	III.B.4 (HS SGA President)	(Not Present)
Scott Philips	III.B.4 (MS SGA President)	
Donna Amit	III.C.2 (Teacher)	(Not Present)
April Claytor	III.C.2 (Teacher)	
Kathleen Dopkin	III.C.2 (Teacher)	
Nicole Geiger	III.C.2 (Teacher)	
Carolyn Gray	III.C.2 (Teacher)	(Not Present)
Barbara Horowitz	III.C.2 (Teacher)	
Jane Monaghan	III.C.2 (Teacher)	
Susan Stranix	III.C.2 (Teacher)	(Not Present)
Justin Weaver	III.C.2 (Teacher)	(Not Present)
Sam Garst	III.C.1 (Parent)	
Marian Gervasi	III.C.1 (Parent)	
Maurice Hampton	III.C.1 (Parent)	(Not Present)
Eden Kainer	III.C.1 (Parent)	
Laura Richlin	III.C.1 (Parent)	
Mathew Whitehorn	III.C.1 (Parent)	
Anndee Hochman	III.C.1 (Parent Alternate)	
Jeanne Ortiz	III.C.1 (Parent Alternate)	(Not Present)
Alex Kwok	Student	

1. Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM.
2. Approval of Minutes of February 19, 2013 meeting- with minor corrections.
3. Principal's Report
  - Ms. Neff passed out and reviewed the School District of Philadelphia's revised School Performance Index (SPI). One parent had a question about college enrollment (91.35 %.). Ms. Neff said the data was from the national college clearing house, and this includes students who deferred or decided not to attend. Ms. Neff was surprised by SAT participation rate (91.89%). Ms. Dopkin explained that students might not be listing Masterman correctly on their SAT's.
  - The budget numbers from the School District have not been released; Ms. Neff expects them on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Neff passed out and reviewed last year's budget (2012-13), and reviewed the categories, sources of funding and various categories of staff. Ms. Neff expressed concern about funding for gifted programs (which are an unfunded mandate) and Title 1 (Masterman gets the minimum amount, but this is likely to go down). Ms. Neff is conferring with other principals and colleagues as to what she can do and what can be reasonably eliminated or reduced. Ms. Neff will do the major work of the budget and then bring options to the council for feedback. We set two meeting dates for the SAC to review and discuss the budget: April 16<sup>th</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - Site Selection - Ms. Neff asked parents on SAC to email her if they are interested in participating in site selection (interviewing teachers).
4. High School Report
  - Mr. Kwok reported that no money was lost on Spirit Week after expenses. At this point, they are not sure where the money will be donated.
  - Sophhop(?) is scheduled for April 12, on a Friday evening in the school gym.
  - Junior prom is scheduled for May 17 at the Visitor's Center.
  - Senior prom is scheduled for May 30.
5. Middle School Report
  - Mr. Philips reported that Pennies for leukemia raised \$3,000.
  - The Fifth and Sixth graders are working on the Spring Fling. As of now, there is no set date.
  - Pretzels sales is ongoing and being held in the conference room.
6. Home and School Association
  - Ms. Williams reported that the next HSA meeting is scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup>, 6PM.
  - The Auction went well; HSA will determine the amount raised on April 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - CORA will be coming to Masterman to talk to parents about the process of grieving and what parents can do to help their children. A parent suggested that they talk about identifying depression and Ms. Neff said that this area will be addressed at one point.
  - HSA will be holding elections soon, as will SAC. Ms. Neff suggested recruiting at the next Report Card conference (May 1-3<sup>rd</sup>). Mr. Garst asked if there was anything precluding an alternate to run. Ms. Dopkin thought that parents were allowed to run if they had previously been elected.
  - April 27<sup>th</sup> is "Clean Up" day.
  - May 2<sup>nd</sup> is the Teacher Appreciation day.
7. Meeting adjourned 6:00 PM.