

LEARNING COMMUNITY OF DOUGLAS AND SARPY COUNTIES

LEARNING COMMUNITY COORDINATING COUNCIL

August 23, 2018

A meeting of the Coordinating Council of the Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy Counties was held on August 23, 2018, at the Learning Community Center of North Omaha, 1612 N. 24th Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68110. Notice of the meeting, containing the date, time, place and agenda, was given in advance thereof by publication in the Daily Record on August 16, 2018. The proofs of publication have been received and will be made a permanent part of the record of the meeting. Notice of the agenda was given to all members of the Council on August 15, 2018.

1. **Call Meeting to Order.** The meeting was convened and called to order by Chair Chang at 6:35 p.m. and began with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Public Notice & Compliance with Open Meetings Act.** Chair Chang announced that the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted at the room entrance and that copies of materials being reviewed by the Council were available to the public.

3. **Roll Call.**

Voting Members Present: Anderson, Hager, Harnett, Heidel, Jacobson, Kelley, Ward, Williams, Woodward, Chang

Voting Members Excused: Avery

Voting Members Absent: Hahn

Staff Present: Moon, Franklin, Parker, Benzel, Patton

Also Present: Margaret Hershiser, Alex Wolf, Koley Jessen P.C.; Loretta Carroll, Carroll Communications

4. **Approval of Minutes.** Chair Chang presented the Council minutes from the August 9, 2018 public meeting of the Council. Motion by Mr. Hager, seconded by Ms. Kelley, to approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on August 9, 2018. Yeas: Anderson, Hager, Hartnett, Heidel, Jacobson, Kelley, Williams, Woodward, Chang. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried.**

5. **Reports**

- a) Chair - Chair Chang reported the CEO 2018/2019 goals will be brought to the Council at the October 18, 2018 LCCC meeting.
- b) Treasurer – No Report
- c) Chief Executive Officer – Mr. Patton indicated he will provide a CAP progress report presentation at NDE on November 1, 2018. He reported on the Grade Level Reading campaign, “BeKind” resolution and “MOMAHA” article on the Learning Community.
- d) Council Member / Achievement Subcouncil Reports – Ms. Ward provided a report.
- e) Legal Counsel – No Report

6. Public Comments – Public Comment was provided by:

Jim Sazama, 9161 Charles St., Omaha, NE – LC Spending
Doug Whittman, 124 Cr M Dodge, Omaha, NE – Superintendents Plan
Jim Saksma, 1731 N C St., Fremont, NE – Pilot Study
Larry Storer, 5015 Lafayette Avenue, Omaha, NE – Research and Evaluation

7. A Superintendents' Plan for Early Childhood Education Update – No Report

It is noted for the record that Mr. Hager left the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

8. Learning Community Center of South Omaha Update -

- a) Motion by Mr. Hartnett, seconded by Ms. Jacobson, upon recommendation of the Executive Committee, to renew contract with Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska at Learning Community Center of South Omaha, for family liaison services, as set forth in the document entitled Service Provider Agreement, and appropriate up to \$96,233.00 from the Learning Community Center of South Omaha Elementary Learning Center Fund Budget for FY 2018/2019. Approval is contingent upon Council approval of authorization of the elementary levy and the 2018/2019 fiscal year budget for the Learning Community. Subcouncil 5 met June 20, 2018 and was unable to come to a consensus. This motion shall serve as a recommendation to the full Council. Discussion took place. A handout was provided. Yeas: Anderson, Hartnett, Heidel, Jacobson, Kelley, Williams, Woodward, Chang. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried.**

It is noted for the record that Mr. Hager returned to the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

9. Learning Community Center of North Omaha Update-

- a) Motion by Dr. Williams, seconded by Ms. Jacobson, upon recommendation of the Subcouncil 2, to renew contract with Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska at Learning Community Center of North Omaha, for family liaison services, as set forth in the document entitled Service Provider Agreement, and appropriate up to \$203,882.00 from the Learning Community Center of North Omaha Elementary Learning Center Fund Budget for FY 2018/2019. Approval is contingent upon Council approval of authorization of the elementary levy and the 2018/2019 fiscal year budget for the Learning Community. Discussion took place. A handout was provided. Yeas: Anderson, Hager, Hartnett, Heidel, Jacobson, Kelley, Williams, Woodward, Chang. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried.**

10. Subcommittee Reports

- a) Elementary Learning and Diversity Subcommittee – No Report
- b) Budget, Finance & Audit Subcommittee - A FY 2018-2019 Proposed Budget and Levies Informational Presentation was provided by David Moon. Discussion took place.
- i. **Action Items:** 2018-2019 Budget

1. Motion by Mr. Hager, seconded by Ms. Anderson, upon recommendation of the Budget, Finance & Audit Subcommittee, I move that the Coordinating Council approve the General Fund Budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year in the amount of \$583,540, calling for a total property tax requirement of \$0. Discussion took place. Yeas: Anderson, Hager, Hartnett, Heidel, Jacobson, Kelley, Williams,

Woodward, Chang. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried.**

2. Motion by Mr.; Hager, seconded by Dr. Williams, upon recommendation of the Budget, Finance & Audit Subcommittee, I move that the Coordinating Council approve the Capital Projects Fund Budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year in the amount of \$803,000, calling for a property tax requirement of \$740,289, plus a 1% County Treasurer Collection Fee of \$7,478, for a total property tax requirement of \$747,767. Discussion took place. Yeas: Anderson, Hager, Hartnett, Heidel, Jacobson, Kelley, Williams, Woodward, Chang. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried.**
3. Motion by Mr. Hager, seconded by Ms. Kelley, upon recommendation of the Budget, Finance & Audit Subcommittee, I move that the Coordinating Council approve the Elementary Learning Center Fund Budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year in the amount of \$8,051,521, calling for a property tax requirement of \$8,883,469 plus a 1% County Treasurer Collection Fee of \$89,732 for a total property tax requirement of \$8,973,201. Discussion took place. Yeas: Anderson, Hager, Hartnett, Heidel, Jacobson, Kelley, Williams, Woodward, Chang. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried.**
4. Motion by Mr. Hager, seconded by Dr. Williams, upon recommendation of the Budget, Finance & Audit Subcommittee, I move that the Coordinating Council approve the Research & Evaluation Fund Budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year in the amount of \$1,031,641, calling for a total property tax requirement of \$0. Discussion took place. Yeas: Anderson, Hager, Hartnett, Heidel, Jacobson, Kelley, Williams, Woodward, Chang. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried.**

ii. **Action Item:** 2018 Tax Year Levy Resolutions

Motion by Mr. Hager, seconded by Ms. Jacobson, upon recommendation of the Budget, Finance & Audit Subcommittee, I move adoption of the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute § 77-1601.02 provides that the property tax requests for the prior year shall be the property tax requests of the Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy Counties for the current year for purposes of the levy set by the County Board of Equalization unless the Coordinating Council passes by majority vote a resolution setting the tax requests at a different amount; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held on August 23, 2018 as required by law to receive and consider public comments regarding the proposed property tax requests of the Learning Community, notice of the special public hearing having been given in accordance with Nebraska Revised Statute § 77-1601.02.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Coordinating Council of the Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy Counties hereby alters its Capital Projects Levy property tax request for the 2018-2019 fiscal year from a tax request of \$705,617 to a tax request of \$747,767 resulting in a tax rate of 0.001250; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Coordinating Council of the Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy Counties hereby alters its Elementary Learning Centers Levy property tax request for the 2018-2019 fiscal year from a tax request of \$8,467,409 to a tax request of \$8,973,201 resulting in a tax rate of 0.015000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be certified and forwarded to the Douglas County Clerk on or before September 1, 2018.

Yeas: Anderson, Hager, Hartnett, Heidel, Jacobson, Kelley, Williams, Woodward, Chang. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried.**

c) Legislative Subcommittee – Mr. Hartnett provided a report.

11. New Business

- a) Discuss Carroll Communications Contract - Loretta Carroll provided a presentation. Discussion took place.
- b) Discuss Kent Rogert's Contract - Discussion took place.
- c) Learning Community Foundation – Motion by Ms. Kelley, seconded by Mr. Hager, to approve the formation of the Learning Community Foundation as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws. Discussion took place. Motion by Ms. Ward, seconded by Ms. Anderson, to end discussion and table motion. Yeas: Anderson, Heidel, Jacobson, Ward, Woodward. Abstain: Williams. Nays: Hager, Hartnett, Kelley, Chang. **Motion carried.**

12. Unfinished Business – No Report


13. Next Council Meeting –

- October 18, 2018, Learning Community Center of North Omaha, 1612 N. 24th Street, Omaha, NE

14. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned with unanimous approval at 9:10 p.m.

Documents provided were as follows, copies of which will be made a permanent part of the record of the meeting:

- LCCC Minutes dated August 9, 2018
- Lutheran Family Services Recommendation and Contract for LCCSO
- Lutheran Family Services Recommendation and Contract for LCCNO
- Learning Community Projected Budget Summary 2018-2019


Nancy Jacobson, Secretary

