LEARNING COMMUNITY OF DOUGLAS AND SARPY COUNTIES LEARNING COMMUNITY COORDINATING COUNCIL

March 21, 2019

A meeting of the Coordinating Council of the Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy Counties was held March 21, 2019, at the Learning Community Center of North Omaha, 1612 N. 24 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 March 13, 2019. 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 March 15, 2019.

- 1. **Call Meeting to Order**. The meeting was convened and called to order by Chair Kelley at 6:00 p.m. and began with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Public Notice & Compliance with Open Meetings Act. Chair Kelley 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:

Ekwerekwu, Hager, Hoeger, Kozel, Thommes, Ward,

Williams, Kelley

Voting Members Excused:

Avery, Hahn

Members Absent:

Martinez Real, Woodward

Staff Present:

Moon, Franklin, Parker, Benzel, Patton

Also Present:

Margaret Hershiser, Koley Jessen P.C.; Dr. Sam Meisels, BECI, Anne O'Hara, Nayeli Lopez, Patricia Paniagua, Learning Community Center of South

Omaha

4. **Approval of Minutes.** Chair Kelley presented the Council minutes from the January 24, 2019 public meeting of the Council. Motion by Mr. Hager, seconded by Dr. Williams, to approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on January 24, 2019. Yeas: Ekwerekwu, Hager, Hoeger, Kozel, Thommes, Williams, Kelley. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried.**

It is noted for the record that Ms. Woodward arrived at 6:11 p.m., and Ms. Martinez Real arrived at 6:12 p.m.

5. Reports

- a) Chair Chair Kelley thanked David Moon for his service and congratulated Jamalia Parker on her award. Chair Kelley discussed changes to the agenda and roll call order. Chair Kelley reviewed the Operating Protocols. Four handouts were provided.
- b) Treasurer
 - i. Motion by Mr. Thommes, seconded by Mr. Hager, to accept Treasurer's Reports dated January 31, 2019 and February 28, 2019. Discussion took place. Yeas:

Ekwerekwu, Hager, Hoeger, Kozel, Martinez Real, Thommes, Williams, Woodward, Kelley. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried**

- ii. Motion by Mr. Thommes, seconded by Dr. Williams, to approve the Second Quarter Budget to Actual. Discussion took place. Yeas: Ekwerekwu, Hager, Hoeger, Kozel, Martinez Real, Thommes, Williams, Woodward, Kelley. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. Motion carried
- c) Chief Executive Officer Mr. Patton reported on some April agenda items.
- d) Legal Counsel No Report
- 6. Public Comment Public comment was provided by Ms. Laura McCormick, Seattle, WA
- 7. Superintendents' Plan for Early Childhood Education Plan Overview Dr. Meisels provided a presentation. Ms. Franklin discussed site visits.
- 8. Learning Community Center of South Omaha Update A presentation was provided by Anne O'Hara, Nayeli Lopez and Patricia Paniagua of the Learning Community Center of South Omaha.
- 9. Learning Community Center of North Omaha Update Ms. Franklin reported on the Ascend Network forum.
- 10. Subcommittee Reports
 - a) Elementary Learning and Diversity Subcommittee No Report
 - b) Budget, Finance & Audit Subcommittee Mr. Hager provided an update.
 - i. Koch Insurance Policies Renewal
 - Upon recommendation of the Budget, Finance and Audit Subcommittee, motion by Mr. Hager, seconded by Ms. Woodward, to maintain Harry A. Koch as our insurance provider and to renew insurance products, as detailed in handout (Property, General Liability, Automobile, Workers' Compensation, Umbrella, Crime and Executive Package). Yeas: Ekwerekwu, Hager, Hoeger, Kozel, Martinez Real, Thommes, Williams, Woodward, Kelley. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. Motion carried
 - ii. Omaha World-Herald Contract Upon recommendation of the Budget, Finance and Audit Subcommittee and Executive Committee, motion by Mr. Hager, seconded by Dr. Williams, to approve the Omaha World-Herald contract to align with the Strategic Plan communications priority. Discussion took place. Yeas: Ekwerekwu, Hager, Hoeger, Kozel, Martinez Real, Thommes, Williams, Woodward, Kelley. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried**
 - iii. United Way MOU Upon recommendation of the Budget, Finance and Audit Subcommittee and Executive Committee, motion by Mr. Hager, seconded by Mr. Hoeger, to approve the United Way MOU for the Grade Level Reading Campaign to align with the Community Achievement Plan (CAP). Discussion took place.

Yeas: Hager, Hoeger, Kozel, Martinez Real, Thommes, Williams, Woodward, Kelley. Abstain: Ekwerekwu. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried.**

c) Legislative Subcommittee - Mr. Hager provided a legislative update

It is noted for the record that Mr. Ekwerekwu left the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

11. New Business -

Policy Review – Upon Recommendation of the Executive Committee, motion by Ms. Kelley, seconded by Mr. Hager, to approve the revised Learning Community Policies and Procedures and waive second reading. Discussion took place.

Motion by Ms. Ward to postpone – no second was received.

Motion by Mr. Hager, seconded by Mr. Hoeger, to amend motion item 8.5 to read: Not use the Learning Community or any part of the Learning Community programming or services for his or her own personal advantage or for the personal advantage of his or her family, friends or supporters. Yeas: Hager, Hoeger, Kozel, Martinez Real, Thommes, Ward, Williams, Woodward, Kelley. Abstain: None. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Returning to original motion: Upon Recommendation of the Executive Committee, motion by Ms. Kelley, seconded by Mr. Hager, to approve the revised Learning Community Policies and Procedures as amended and waive second reading. Yeas: Hager, Hoeger, Kozel, Martinez Real, Thommes, Williams, Woodward, Kelley. Abstain: None. Nays: Ward. **Motion carried.**

- 12. Unfinished Business None
- 13. Next Council Meeting -
 - April 18, 2019 Learning Community Center of North Omaha, 1612 N. 24th Street, Omaha, NE
- 14. Adjournment Meeting was adjourned with unanimous approval at 8:14 p.m.

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

- Council Minutes dated January 24, 2019
- Treasurer's Report dated January 31, 2019 and February 28, 2019
- Second Quarter Budget to Actual
- Koch Insurance Packet
- Omaha World-Herald Memo and Contract
- United Way MOU
- Learning Community Policies and Procedures

Jill Woodward – Secretary