

# Learning Community Coordinating Council

## Meeting Minutes

February 1, 2024 – 6:00PM

1612 North 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68110

**Learning Community Vision: That all children within the Learning Community achieve academic success without regard to social or economic circumstance.**

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken, are as follows: (Items do not have to be taken in the same order as listed.)

### I. Opening the Meeting

- i. Call to Order: The regular January meeting of the Learning Community Council is called to order on February 1, 2024, at 6 p.m.
- ii. **Council Mission Statement: Together with school districts and community organizations as partners, we demonstrate, share, and implement more effective practices to measurably improve educational outcomes for children and families in poverty.**
- iii. Public Notice and Compliance Nebraska Open Meetings Law
  - i. A meeting of the Coordinating Council of the Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy Counties was held February 1, 2024. Notice of the meeting, containing the date, time, place, and agenda, was given in advance thereof by publication in the Daily Record on January 30, 2024. The proof of publication has 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 January 30, 2024.

### iv. Council Roll Call:

Voting Members Present: Hahn, Brady, Hall, Hoeger, Miller, Shelton, Johnson, Otis

Voting Members Excused:

Members Absent: Givens, Ward, Brock

Staff Present: Kuhn, Lopez, Hughes, O'Hara, Lewis, Le

Guests: MMI, BECI, Koley Jessen

### v. Pledge of Allegiance

### II. Public Comment – There being none, meeting continued.

### III. Reports

#### i. Elections of Officer for the 2024 session

Chair – Nomination to elect Angie Miller as Chair was first and seconded. All present voted yea for Angie Miller to continue as Chair. Motion carried.

Vice Chair – Mark Hoeger was nominated, the motion was first and seconded. Mr. Hoeger accepted the nomination, and the 2 minutes was waived for discussion. All present voted yea and the motion carried.

Secretary: Nomination for Sharnelle Shelton was presented with a first and second. No additional nominations, all present voted yea and the motion carried.

Treasurer: Nomination for Tim Hall was presented with a first and second. No additional nominations. Tim accepted the nomination. All present voted yea and the motion carried.

With no further positions open. Nominations and elections are now closed.

ii. Chair – No report

iii. CEO Report

- *Staffing changes:* January 8, 2024, hired Ryan Brown as HR Director. On January 26, 2024, he took a position with another organization. That position is now open, and interviewing will start in the second week of February. We will continue to use an HR consultant to keep us moving forward until a new director is hired and settled. Last Friday, January 26, 2026, Colette Hughes, Executive Assistant started. We are currently looking to hire two positions for Parent University. One of the positions is a Social Worker which is critical to the continued success of the program. We are focusing our hiring efforts on candidates who have a strong tie to the North Omaha community.
- *Special Projects:* Looking for \$100k for engagement and community outreach. We have seven proposals total. Each packet has all the proposals.
- *Programming updates:* Research is being conducted by our Executive Director on possible sister programs to Parent University. These new programs are aimed at fulfilling the mission of the Learning Community and branding the Learning Community as a premier resource for family and early Education services in Omaha.
- *New partnerships:* Heart Ministries, FreedomEntertainment and the Empowerment Network have agreed to be stronger partners with the Learning Community. Stakeholder meetings are taking place to re-engage and create better mission alignment.
- *Looking to the future:* We are doing very well. South Center is busting at the seams. North Center is growing. We will be running financial analytics for the sustainability of a satellite south center as well as a center in Southwest Omaha. The Learning Community is working with superintendents from Westside Public Schools, Papillion Public Schools, and Millard Public Schools on a feasibility study for a potential Southwest Omaha Center.

iii. Treasurer Report: Audit Community reviewed November and December reports. Invited to improve.

iv. Legal Report: No Report

v. Foundation: No Report.

#### IV. Consent Agenda

Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

- i. Minutes of the January 9, 2024, meeting of the Council

**A motion to approve the consent agenda was made, first and seconded. All present voted Yea. Motion carried.**

#### V. New Business

##### 1) Center updates

Nayeli Lopez gave an update. The North Center is back and running full steam due to the hard work our team has put in.

Colette Hughes will be reaching out to each Council member to schedule 1:1 meetings with Gerald Kuhn.

We have 11 Interlocal agreements that expire in May 2023. Nayeli will be reaching out in March or before to update these agreements.

##### 2) Budget Audit:

- i. Insurance renewal process has been submitted, all W-2s have been processed and mailed. We are in the process of scanning and entering all financial documents.

##### 2) Legislative process is on Tuesday via Zoom

##### 3) Administration and Personnel – Looking for applications for the open District 4 position. February 9, 2024, is the deadline for submissions.

##### 4) Presentation – Dr. Jolene Johnson with the Department of Education & Child Development. Presented the Annual Evaluation. Numbers are improving for both centers.

**Upcoming Meeting** – February 15, 2024– Learning Community Center of North Omaha, 1612 North 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Omaha, NE 68110

#### VI. Adjourn at 7:37 p.m.

**\*Closed Session:** If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the council will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Law.

**\*\*Sequence of Agenda:** The sequence of agenda topics is subject to change at the discretion of the Council. Please arrive at the beginning of the meeting.

#### UPCOMING LEARNING COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Advisory Committee

To Be Determined

LC Coordinating Council

February 15, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Learning Community Center of North Omaha, 1612 N. 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Omaha, NE

Subcouncil #1

To Be Determined

Subcouncil #2	To Be Determined
Subcouncil #3	To Be Determined
Subcouncil #4	To Be Determined
Subcouncil #5	To Be Determined
Subcouncil #6	To Be Determined

**HANDOUTS THAT ACCOMPANIED THIS AGENDA ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

- CEO Report
- Learning Community Coordinating Council Minutes dated February 1, 2024
- Annual Evaluation and Summary