

Family and Community Engagement (FACE)
Participación con la familia y la comunidad
Meeting Minutes - 9/28/23

Attendees:

	Name	Role
1	Marlene M Blocker	Superintendent of Educational Partnership Organization, Rochester City School District
2	Leandrew Wingo	East Lower School Principal
3	Angel Alicea	East Home-School Assistant
4	Caterina Leone Mannino	Special Assistant to the Rochester EPO Superintendent
5	Adrian Jimenez	East Engagement Coordinator AmeriCorps VISTA
6	Denise Daly	School Psychologist
7	Luis Zarate	East Community Coordinator
8	Edward Mascadri	Upper School Principal
9	Blake Harriman	East Lower School Teacher
10	Lieselle Taylor	RCSD Director of Community Schools
11	Megan Richardson	Hillside Work Scholarship
12	Shaquita Ortiz	IBERO Family Services Assistance
13	Manny Ortolaza	Southeast Neighborhood Service Center Rep.

Welcome and Introduction (Agenda Review) (A. Alicea)

Mr. Alicea opened the meeting and provided an overview of the agenda. All attendees introduced themselves.

Approve minutes from 8/17/23

Due to the Incident that we had with Zoom at the meeting. We where not able to put the minutes together for the 8/17/23 FACE meeting.

Title 1 Plan (A. Alicea)

- Mr. Alicea provided information about this school year Title 1 process.
- The following learning activities were selected by our families during a parent's survey, Graduation Requirement, College Readiness, Career Technical Education, Mental Health, and Athletic NCAA Requirements.
- We will be offering these learning activities in person and virtual to our families. There is a series of school wide event such as BBQ/Orientation, Parent teacher conference/Career Fair, Black History celebration, Senior celebration, ENL cultural celebration, End of the Year FACE Event and Lower School Summer family's celebration.
- All this event will be founded by Title 1.
- **The Title 1 Process**
 - Must be completed as Google doc.
 - Deadline May 31, 2023
 - Allocation
 - Lower School \$4,287

- Upper School \$9,617
 - Totaling \$13,904
- Application must be approved by the October governance council.
- With the title 1 funds we will allocate funds for the following's lines: food, bus passes, supplies, teachers, vendors, and Civil Service.
- We will be working on the final draft to submit to the schools Government Council for their approval. Once the application is approved by the GC, I will submit the application.

FACE Committees (C. Leone)

- Because we're under receivership we're required to have a community engagement team that focuses on collective action lot of this has been happening on its own and not necessarily linked to FACE
- This year we would like to link some of the school-based Committees into the FACE work.
- Here are some of the committees.
 - **Wellness Committee** that focuses on health and wellness and social emotional well-being so in school you started a social emotional learning Council the recommendation from that Council will be shared with folks here from the community agencies on social emotional learning into one Collective Action Network to be updated to face My Hope Is that each Collective Action Network can actually take a lead on planning one of the activities so if there's going to be a family night on Mental Health and Wellness for families that actually the folks that are part of the committee and the collective Action Network are part of sharing that expertise with our families and community members so we'll be kind of creating a bridge between school day and out of school day between School staff and out and community staff right to be one voice one united front and supporting our Scholars and their families.
 - **College Readiness** focused on college readiness and college access well wouldn't it be great if they could be coordinated together and be able to support us in doing the teaching parents and families and students about the process of college access. we have multiple Community Partners in the school that can help on this committee we even have some present at this meeting tonight.
 - **Career and Workforce Development**
 - **Family Engagement and Support** we also have expertise that we're going to bring in from the children's agenda and the Children's Institute that can support this committee.
- These committees will be meeting outside of FACE meeting to plan and make recommendations to the FACE team and from there those recommendation will be sent to the Government Council.
- We will need to have committees' representation at our monthly FACE meetings.
- Thank you to those who were able to attend the public hearing that we held last week.
- Denise Daly and Blake Harriman will be joining the Wellness Committee
- Angel Alicea would like to be part of the Family Engagement and support committee.
- Luis is interesting on join all the committees.

Upper School and Lower School Government Council update

Report from the Lower School GC

- We are having Homecoming this week it's tomorrow we'll have a pep rally we've had Spirit Week all week it's been great.
- We did have our Open House last week Luis on Angel and everybody involved did a fantastic job.
- Our parents and our staff seem to love the Open House.
- Also, during our Open House, we celebrate our Hispanic Heritage with a Hispanic dinner.
- We will be meeting with the State next week.
 - We need to teach people about the importance of advocacy for the continuation of the model here at East because within the next year or two the board will have the authority to decide regarding the continuation or discontinuation of this model.
 - I just want to put that out there and keep putting that out there. Celebration of the progress we've made Back up to our highest enrollment to date with waiting lists for entry meaning that we have a significant number of families requesting the school for their children and we would like to keep this option open for Rochester's citizens to make that selection.

Report from the Lower School GC

All of our GC minutes for upper and Lower School are in the school webpage.

Lower School: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1s7U2bTXn7ibLo8j1qXLqBrgXc9S-yB0rO_9zFQvMLNo/edit

Upper School: <https://www.rcsdk12.org/Page/57711>

Agencies Update (Luis Zarate)

- We have some difficulties having all the partners present today but we did one highlight a couple of our partners here that are doing great work at East again, we are focused on the integrated approach trying to work collaboratively to develop the most streamlined system to you.
- Could please introduce your agency. This is the time where agencies can share with FACE what are they doing and to ask for support if need it.

IBERO FSA – (Shaquita Ortiz)

- Is continually recruiting families for the program.
- IBERO will be offering English as a second language classes and Basic computer skills for the community.
- We have some flyer with information that we would like to share with our families.
- Ibero will share flyer with Community School Coordinator

Hillside (Megan Richardson)

- We'll have an SAT info session with our juniors.
- Starting tutoring on October 10th every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30 after school which will be open to just Hillside students.
- We have a hot cocoa bar to like to get more students engaged on the 11th and then on the 18th and the 25th will be pumpkin painting.

Southeast Neighborhood Service (Manny Ortolaza)

- I was at a nuisance Advisory Board which really has no connection to sort of what we're doing here but I know we're doing lots of clean sweeps and lots of community outreach trying to do that before the winter months set in and you know of course forward to doing some more stuff and hopefully have more to share next time.

Community School Coordinator (Luis Zarate)

- We also can assist you sharing information to our families.
- We have lots of different ways of communicating with our family. We have our newsletter monthly, we can do mail, robocalls and visual posters.
- The EPO newsletter will go out on October 2nd. Thank you to all the agencies that provided information for the newsletter.

Our next meeting will be held on October 19, 2023.