

**Walnut Hills High School**  
Local Decision Making Committee Meeting  
September 21, 2017  
6:00 pm  
Minutes

**Attendees:**

The following LSDMC members were in attendance: Steve Baker, Mitch Perdrix, Beth Ormsby, Ayn Spieser, Cassandra Veals, Brian Sweeney, John Chambers, Meg Dietz, Laura Stith Deck, Jerron Gray, Kendall Young, Nuha Syed, and Terrance Poole.

Sarvani Vemuri, Student Congress President was also in attendance.

**Election of Officers:**

Chairperson: Steve Baker was nominated by Laura and seconded by Brian. Vote was unanimous.

Vice Chairperson: Laura Stith Deck was nominated by Steve and seconded by Meg. Vote was unanimous.

Secretary: Meg Dietz was nominated by Steve and seconded by Mitch. Vote was unanimous.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Laura moved that the May 30<sup>th</sup> minutes be approved. John seconded. The motion passed.

**Bylaws:**

Beth moved to accept Bylaws as written with agreement to review Enrollment, Long Range Plan and amendments to the Membership Criteria at the October Meeting. Seconded by Mitch. The motion was approved.

**Principal Report:**

Mr. Chambers discussed the tragic event of the previous week and the school's response. This included his request to the Board for a full time Mental Health Professional. He also reviewed the 30 day Crisis Follow Up Plan that was created with the help of Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health. Mr. Chambers took suggestions regarding additional resources to made available to parents, students and staff. Enrollment was addressed and new administrative initiatives to help with 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade success were outlined. The Principal's Report lead to a discussion about Study Hall use. Brian suggested that ILT be asked to report on the the following:

Are the teachers receiving clear and commonly stated directives regarding student responsibilities during Study Hall and appropriate intervention by Study Hall teacher?

This item was not put up for a vote.

**Student Report:**

Student Congress was acknowledged for their profoundly insightful initiatives and response during the crisis. They demonstrated exceptional leadership. Homecoming ticket sales surpassed projected sales.

**Principal Search:**

Mr. Chambers left the meeting and the Principal Search process was reviewed for the new members. Steve reported that he would be meeting with Alumni and the Assistant Superintendent regarding changes possible in the compensation guidelines for principals. Craig Larson from the search firm will address the October LSDMC meeting.

**Other Business:**

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 9pm