

Village of Westchester
Citizens Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
July 10th, 2013
Village Hall-Community Room
7:00 PM

Present

Sucada Bell
Kari Christiansen*
Nicole LoCoco
Abigail Martin
Charles Pedersen
Mirika Sentongo
Tom Yurkovich
***absent**

Tonight's meeting had two guest speakers on behalf of the Westchester Parents Group: Dana Wesolowski and Molly Quiroz

Start Time: 7:04 p.m.

Discussion

I. Approval of June meeting minutes

II. High School: Molly and Dana were able to give us an overview of the meeting they had with Kevin McDermott from district 209. They informed us about the financial overview panel, FOP, that has been put in place for the Proviso schools because the finances were in serious trouble. The money for proviso is pooled together and then spread out amongst the three schools. The academics are very low, especially in reading. Proviso East has 12% of students meeting or exceeding the state standards. Proviso West has 22% of students meeting or exceeding the state standards and PMSA has 67% of its students meeting or exceeding the state standards. There is a definite interest among the parents in Westchester to form a board dedicated to improving our high school situation. It would be a good idea to get the other feeder schools to participate. There has been talk among the 209 school board about possibly making PE a remedial school, PW would be for those students meeting the state standards and PMSA would be for those excelling. The hope is to organize an open forum together with 92.5, the village of Westchester, 209, the parents group and possibly the other communities in Proviso. CAB will keep moving forward with this idea and get all interested parties on board. Dana and Molly are both very interested in leading an educational board for Westchester.

III. Get out and Play day: Everyone needs to plug their ideas into the Survey Monkey that Mirika provided and we will discuss the results at our August meeting.

IV. Guidelines and By-laws: Tommy drafted our by-laws and gave us all copies. Everyone needs to look over them and be ready to vote them in at the August meeting.

V. New Business: Kari Christiansen has decided to be the CAB liaison for school district 92.5. So, we are currently looking to fill two spots on the board.

Adjournment: 8:30

If you have any questions or comments regarding these minutes please contact abymartin23@gmail.com. The next meeting of the Citizen's Advisory Board will take place on Wednesday, August 14th, 2013 in the community room of the village hall.