Model Laboratory School Council Minutes

May 3, 2012

Mark Cornette called the meeting to order at 4:04.

Members Present: Charles Elliott, Scott Johnson, Margaret Yoder, Vinit Kutty, Mark Cornette, James Dantic, Melinda Lakes

May Agenda and April minutes motioned for approval by Elliott and seconded by Johnson

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Personnel

Mr. Cornette reviewed with members the three existing vacancies and indicated that the middle school social studies/language arts position was posted and that search committee members would begin reviewing applicants at the end of May. It was anticipated that the two elementary positions would be posted the following week but the exact grades being filled might change depending upon current teachers’ desire for grade reassignment. Mr. Dantic reported that Marcie Rogers had tender her resignation due to a desire to relocate and that the school would request that position be posted as soon as possible.

Program Reviews

Mr. Dantic gave members a brief overview of the arts and humanities, writing and practical living program reviews. These are new state accountability reports which will be made public this year but next year will also count as part of each of the schools’ accountability index.

Budget

Mr. Dantic presented a brief review of projected operational expenditures, five year trend budget expenditures in operations and personnel for the school. He indicated that though many faculty positions were being swept, Model teaching positions were being filled. Vacant staff positions were much less likely to be filled as was the case with administrative assistant position and two teaching assistant positions recently swept by the University. Mr. Dantic announced that due to the states failure to fund textbooks the last three years and the burden which this has placed on the operational budget, that a textbook/instructional support fee for K-8 students has been requested for next year. Additionally, next year’s operational budget will most likely be reduced by 15% and cumulative faculty hires’ salaries cannot exceed the expenditures currently allotted for those positions being filled.

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