

Decatur Classical School
Local School Council – Expansion Committee
Thursday, January 14, 2016

Meeting Minutes

- **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Tim McCaffrey at 6:12 pm.
- **Roll Call:** Members present were Tim McCaffrey, Susan Kukielka, Kimberly Jockl, Victoria Giambrone, Helen Lee, Steve Fix and Stephanie Saltouros. Absent were: Jeana Tao, Mikal Sutherlin, Jed Silberg, Debby Fries, and David Cedeno, Sr.
- **Approval of Agenda:** Motion was made by Steve Fix. Seconded by Vicki Giambrone and unanimously approved.
- **Committee Membership:** 2 new members will be forthcoming, but were not present today.
- **Old Business:**
 - A. DNAInfo article highlighting Decatur's space issues ran December 9, 2015.
 - B. List of all Decatur families and their wards has been compiled. It is nearly comprehensive with only approximately 5% families' wards undetermined as of yet.
 - C. Several Aldermen have been approached by LSC committee members, to ask for their support of Decatur's expansion. These Aldermen include Patrick O'Connor, Tom Tunney, John Arena, Joe Moore, James Cappleman, Debra Silverstein, Ameya Pawar, and Harry Osterman. Each granted his/her support. Committee members and families will continue to approach other Aldermen who represent Decatur families.
 - D. Other politicians have been contacted including State Senator J. Mulrow and Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky,
 - E. Follow-up meeting with Silverstein in February is planned. LSC will continue to push her to appeal for citywide political support.
 - F. Anonymous Alderman has school in his/her ward that he/she would like to see become Decatur's new location. Tim McCaffrey knows it is a North-side school that is currently occupied.
 - G. JCC approached Ms. K with the agenda to improve the 50th Ward, starting with a request for support of the need to renovate their neighborhood library.
- **New Business:**
 - A. Review/Approval of committee description: Expansion Committee description was reviewed, discussed, revised and approved by unanimous vote.
- **Public Comment:** There was no public comment.
- **Adjournment of Meeting:** Meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote at 7:01pm. Next meeting was scheduled for February 11, 2016 at 5:30pm.

