

**ISC General Meeting –Minutes  
Tuesday, May 13, 2014, 9:30 a.m.**

Welcome and Introductions

Thanks to Gladwyne Elementary for providing refreshments

**ISC Business:**

**1-- Vote - ISC Executive Committee Slate for 2014-15**

A required quorum of ISC Voting Members was present and the slate was unanimously approved.

**New ISC Executive Committee members are :**

Lucy Klain, Co-President --2 years

Chris Dwyer, Treasurer --2 years

Karen Dunleavy, Member-At-Large, Elementary & Secondary Schools Meeting Coordinator--2 years

Joanna Goldstein, Member-At-Large, School Bd Committee Meeting observer--2 years

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**Existing Executive Committee positions (ending in June 2015)**

Deborah Rocco, Co-President

Ellen Keefe, Vice President, Communications

Juli Gruber-May, Mini Grants

Claudia Baker, Member-At-Large, School Bd Committee Meeting observer

June Coleman, Member-At-Large, School Board Meeting observer

**Off-Board positions (beginning July 2015)**

Amy Norr, Immediate Past President

Linda Todorow & Tara McDonnell, Luncheon Chairs

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**2-- ISC Mini Grants Update**

Juli Gruber May – ISC Mini Grants Chair – presented the results of the 2014 mini grant cycle. The Review Committee was able to fully fund 17 grants and partially fund an additional 18 grant requests. A total of \$10,500 was awarded, ranging from \$100 to \$1,000, and the average grant was \$300.

### **3-- ISC Administrators Luncheon**

The annual ISC luncheon will be held Thurs. 5/22, 11:30 a.m. at Main Line Reform Temple. Julie Finch asked that each school sign up for shifts to assist in preparation on Wed, 5/21 and for day of the luncheon. If HSA Presidents and ISC Reps are not able to attend, they were asked to send another HSA member in their place.

### **Speaker Presentation: Superintendent Dr. Christopher McGinley**

Dr. McGinley's presented his bi annual "State of the District", which included the following information:

#### ***Enrollment:***

District enrollment continues to increase. Sixteen new positions (including support, clerical and professional staff) will be filled for the coming school year. This is roughly the number of new positions that were added last year.

#### ***Physical Changes:***

Growth in enrollment has dictated physical changes at several of the schools. Portable classrooms at WV were added in the fall. Major construction at WV is to begin this summer near the gym and driveway off of Hagysford Road. Construction will continue through the school year and the planned additions will open for the 2015-16 school year.

Penn Valley is being expanded with the introduction of prefabricated units – the use of which was necessitated because of the proximity to existing classroom space. The addition will be ready for September 2014.

Construction at Gladwyne will continue through the summer and will be ready for use this fall.

The District is continuing to plan for utilizing the District Administration building for anticipated increased enrollment at LM High School.

#### ***District Leadership Changes This Year:***

A new leadership team – Principal Christopher Hall, Ass't Principals Scott Weinstein and Sarah Stout - was put into place at Welsh Valley.

Dr. Geraldine Fitzpatrick-Doria was hired by LMSD as Director of Elementary Education.

Dr. Wagner Marseille was appointed Assistant Superintendent. He is leading the District's Strategic planning process that will conclude in the fall when it is presented for approval to the Board. (Please see the LMSD website for more information about this process.) He will also become the Acting Superintendent on 07/01/2014, upon Dr. McGinley's retirement. The Board will conduct a search for a new Superintendent, who will be appointed 07/01/2015.

### ***Elementary School Changes:***

Changes were instituted this past year affecting WIN time/instructional time and curriculum in the elementary schools. Modifications were made to time allotments for the FLES program in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades and FLES sessions were added for first graders. "How to teach writing" across all grades was also addressed.

### ***Impact of State Mandates on District:***

For the next school year, LMSD will add a Biology teacher (splitting time between LM and Harriton) to support students who have not achieved "Proficiency" on the Keystone Biology exam.

Professional staff development time is being utilized to satisfy PA Department of Education's requirements. The introduction of Student Learning Objectives ("SLO") – as mandated by the state – will occur during staff development time.

### ***Final Comments:***

As previously announced by the LMSD, Dr. McGinley is retiring, effective 06/30/2014. Amy Norr, ISC Co President, thanked Dr. McGinley for his contributions and dedication to the district and its students. All present at the meeting joined Amy in thanking Dr. McGinley and wished him well in his next endeavor.