

## Miner Elementary School LSAT - November 20, 2018 - Meeting Minutes

### LSAT members

Parents:	*Tammy Alexander	Teachers:	*Shamayne Coles
	*Hill Thomas		*Kamilah Thorne
	*Sara Saxton		Mr. Robinson
	*David Treat		*Ms. Unger
	*Julie Muir (PTO rep)		Tiffany Brown (WTU rep)
Community rep(s):	*Kathleen Jackson	Staff:	*Ms. Stapleton
(*) = Present			*Principal Jackson

### Logistics

- The committee welcomed back Community Representative Kathleen Jackson who also served in the same position last school year.
- The committee agreed to continue to consider the placement of additional LSAT members to accommodate more community members or upper grade parents.

### Updates from Principal Jackson

- CSP (Comprehensive School plan) - There are no major updates, but the CSP will continue to be reviewed and revised as circumstances warrant.
- SY 2018-19 hiring - The school continues to consider candidates for open positions.
- Community school grant - Hiring for the position of coordinator is underway. The community school coordinator will work at Miner on student and community issues related to homelessness, mental/physical health, truancy, and before/after care.
- Technology - Staff members have been trained on the new DCPS technology acquisition program.
- Playgrounds - The ECE playground is finished. Miner will host a community meeting to discuss the master site plan once a project manager has been named.

### SY2019-20 budget and related planning

- Enrollment - Miner enrollment stands at 368, above projections. However, DCPS anticipates an enrollment drop for the '19/'20 school year. That could create challenges depending on whether that drop off actually materializes.
- Timeline - DCPS will hold budget forums on the 2019-2020 school year in December 2018 before release of a draft budget in January 2019. Miner will consider and submit its school budget in February 2019. DCPS budgets will be finalized in March 2019.
- Initial discussion of priorities -

In advance of more formal discussions to set the budget, the LSAT discussed possible future goals and priorities. The committee discussed some of the specific needs of individual grades.

Community Representative Jackson encouraged the LSAT to continue to focus on the overall health of Miner students, especially those who have experienced trauma in their personal lives. Principal Jackson noted that the community school coordinator will augment the schools existing trauma-sensitive capabilities.

The LSAT discussed the capabilities of a "City Year" cohort - an Americorp program that places young teachers and assistants in schools to help in the classroom and with related services.

- OSSE Star rating - Principal Jackson notified the LSAT that a new school star rating system would be introduced in December as an attempt to quantify school quality. The Miner school community is collecting data and anecdotes to share at the upcoming EdFest and when prospective parents ask for more details on Miner.
- The next Miner LSAT meeting will be December 18, 5:00 - 6:30 PM