

**Miner Elementary School LSAT**  
LSAT Meeting Notes 12/19/23

*The meeting began at 5:01 and was conducted virtually via Zoom.*

**Attendance:**

- Parent Reps: Julie Muir, Andrea Jones, Katrice Fuller-Whitaker, Nick Kushner
- PTO President: Brandon Scott
- Teacher Reps: Mr. Yoho, Ms. Hillenbrand
- Administration Reps: Dr. Plenty (Interim Principal)

**Presentation by DME**

- Jenn Comey from the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Education presented on the current school boundary study recommendations, in particular the option of pairing Miner with Maury elementary, combining the schools and their boundaries into one prek-1<sup>st</sup> grade school (Miner) and one 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade school (Maury), as well as a second option of weighted at risk lottery seats, which would impact Maury but not Miner. (see posted slides for additional information).
- Q and A from audience followed the presentation.
- The DME will come back to the Miner community in-person in January (date TBD).
- The DME shared the following informational links in the chat:
  - [EdScape: Where 'At Risk' Students Live](#)
  - [DME Interactive Boundary Explorer Map](#)
  - [2023 Boundary and Student Assignment Feedback Form](#)
  - [Century Foundation Report on School Integration](#)

*DME portion of the meeting ended at 6:08pm*

**LSAT Business**

- Introduction of LSAT members present and welcome by Dr. Plenty

**Membership Discussion**

*Staff Representative (non-teacher union employee)*

- Still have vacant seat for non-teacher union staff representative
  - Dr. Plenty had no update on timeline for an election for this position

*Community Representative*

- Brandon and Julie nominated Ms. ShaLisa Richardson as Community Rep
  - LSAT voted in favor of this unanimously and Ms. Richardson was elected

*WTU Building Representative*

- Julie raised the point that LSAT's current WTU rep no longer works at Miner
  - Elections for new WTU rep will be held on January 2
  - If the elected member is a current teacher rep on the LSAT, then teachers will hold another election

**Principal Update**

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- Dr. Plenty has engaged with students at 'lunch bunch' and regular classroom visitations

*Enrollment*

- Enrollment projection for upcoming school year is 422
  - This includes the new PreK classrooms in Old Miner Building
- Currently enrollment is at 418
  - Was projected to be 368

*Staff Vacancies*

- Two third grade teacher vacancies currently at Miner (Third Grade ELA and Third Grade Math)
  - Interviews scheduled for 12/20
  - Personnel Committee also hiring for ILS (Independence & Learning Support) Aid and Elementary Teacher
  - School administration will look to move current staff around if unable to fill vacancies with interviews
  - Also screening and interviewing for potential long-term sub
  - Letters going out tomorrow about third grade vacancy
  - 3-4 weeks for selected candidate to be selected and onboarded if external – sometimes as long as 40 days
  - Interviews for tomorrow are all external candidates
  - Instructional coaches, Ms. Hillenbrand, Ms. Stoyale, and Ms. Myers – have been rotating to cover Grade 3 vacancies to date
  - MOY testing opens when students return from winter break
  - DC CAPE (formerly PARCC) testing is in the spring

*Staff Engagement*

- Staff intent to return survey to go out to all staff (roughly 70 individuals) the week of January 8th
  - Results to be shared at next LSAT meeting

*FY24/25 Budget Priorities*

- Dr. Plenty to work with LSAT and PTO to get out budget priority survey to parents and caregivers
- Budget priority survey will also be distributed to staff as well as the opportunity for 1:1 meetings with Dr. Plenty
- Initial budget allocations will be shared with community in early February

*Additional Business*

- Request made to gather and share lottery data (when available) on how many families are ranking Miner
- Reminder to parents and caregivers about the award ceremony happening tomorrow 12/20 for K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade at 9:30am and 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm

*Next Meeting*

- Next LSAT meeting is scheduled for January 16, 2024 at 5pm.

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*Meeting concluded at 6:36 pm*