



MAURY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LOCAL SCHOOL ADVISORY TEAM

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Meeting Minutes

Friday, February 17, 2023, 4 pm (EST) via remote teleconference

School Leadership Present: Principal Helena Payne Chauvenet; Assistant Principal Andrew Lardell

LSAT Members Present: Amy Daniels, Richard Parker, Ashley Quarcoo, Shavanna Miller, Amy Toner, VanNessa Duckett, Emily Paterson, Abby Sparrow, Elizabeth Nelson

LSAT Members Absent: Maria Cali, Rebecca Sanghvi, Rachel Schwartz, Darchiniquia Smith, Angela Stover

The meeting was called to order at 4:01 pm (EST) by the Chair.

1. Community Comments

None

2. Budget FY24 (SY2023-24) – Background Information (Principal Payne Chauvenet) (See attached slide deck presentation)

There are three primary components of the DCPS budget model and thus funding allocations: Enrollment based, Equity funding (focusing on unique student needs), and Stability funding. Maury's initial FY24 formula allocation is \$5,827,558. The amount of targeted support funding each school receives is based on its unique student needs, and there is large variation across schools.

Equity funding is provided as targeted support. There are additional layers, as eligible, for targeted support for ELL and SPED. Maury is receiving \$2,818 per student eligible for at-risk funding, bringing the total At-Risk Supplement to \$180,348.

Enrollment: Budgets are based on DCPS enrollment projections, and not on the actual number of students attending. Maury FY23 Enrollment Projection: 539 students (8 students down from FY23 projections, 8 students more than currently enrolled. There are always movements throughout the school year. Under the DCPS budget formula,

Base per pupil allocation: \$6,473 (increase from \$5,973 for FY23). The base per student allocation is the same for every elementary school.

This year, DCPS sought stabilization by providing each school with 95% of the current FY23 budget. This is not the 100% provided for in the Schools First in Funding Act. Stability funding includes FY24 one-time Mayor's Recovery Funding (\$42,317 for Maury)

Q: Maury is receiving \$75,000 in FY24 ESSER III funding, which is not included in the budget total because these funds are one-time and supplemental. How may these funds be used – is there flexibility with respect to their use within the submitted budget?

A: The initial budget allocation does provide \$75k, although the school received \$90k this year (FY23), and \$120k was requested for FY24. ESSER funds are used primarily for tutoring and extra student supports.

Maury's budget supports the school's three priorities - SEL, Equity, and Academics. Maury does not appear as having high equity needs with respect to funding allocations from DCPS even though the school has a lot of gaps to close.

Principal Payne Chauvenet's budget priorities: Retain current staffing; alignment to school priorities; data-based decisions to align staffing to academic requirements and operational needs; and using the assistance and petition process to maintain a supportive budget.

Maury's initial FY24 initial budget allocation is \$5,827,558. This is a decrease of \$161,333 compared to the FY23 submitted budget. Principal Payne Chauvenet requested \$200k. The school received mid-term supplemental funding this school year, which may be used through June 2023. Thus, after last year's allocation, the school received \$227,004 this school year through budget assistance for one-time positions, increasing the total lost overall. Those funds were not replaced in the FY24 budget allocation. Salary increases will also eat into the existing budget as will inflation. The reduction is thus bigger than this number reveals.

As a result Maury's reduced DCPS budget allocation, significant cuts are necessary.

Principal Payne Chauvenet requested that the meeting go into closed session so that the LSAT members can discuss Maury's FY24 budget submission including confidential personnel related line items.

The motion to close this meeting to the public (pursuant to D.C. Code § 2-575(b)) was put forward by Elizabeth Nelson and seconded by Ashley Quarcoo. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

The meeting moved into closed session at 4:20 pm (EST).

The closed session was adjourned by the Chair at 5:30 pm (EST). Members rejoined the Open Meeting, which had remained open.

3. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:31 pm (EST).

The next regularly scheduled LSAT meeting will be held at 4pm, on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, via TEAMS.