MAURY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
LOCAL SCHOOL ADVISORY TEAM

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April LSAT Meeting Agenda
4/21/2026

In attendance:

- *Admin*: Leah Hassler, Lindsay Bowers, Andrew Lardell, Patrick Koontz
- *Teachers*: Danielle Brasure, VanNessa Duckett, Emily Paterson
- *AFSCME Reps:* Shaaren Pine, Colette Marchesini
- *Union Rep:* none
- *Parent Reps:* Katie Burke, Courtney Myers, Alex Zuber, Jason King
- *Community Rep:* Elizabeth Nelson
- *Other*: Meika Berlan (PTA), Lora Nunn (PTA), Kayla Hunter (parent of 1st grader)

Time	Agenda Item	Notes
4:00pm	Call to Order	
4:01pm	Celebrations & Attendance	*Celebrations for April*
4:05pm	Review Group Norms ● Equity of voice ● Start on time, end on time ● Low tech, high engagement ● Hard on content, soft on people ● Evidence-based decision making ● Have fun	

4:10pm	Current Topic #1: CSP Goals	**<u>Quick budget updates from Principal Hassler</u>** ● Mayor released the budget last week, everything is now public and finalized ● Maury's submitted budget for SY26-27: https://dcpsbudget.com/datasets/maury-es-submitted-budget-fy2027/ ● Occasionally there are freezes, but doesn't anticipate this
	Current Topic #2: Facilities Updates	**<u>Facilities Concerns</u>** **Front Doors - Update** ● Have been fixed again this week, currently are working ● There continue to be bandaid repairs, but they are happening more quickly **HVAC System - Update** ● Patrick has received updates from DCPS. They are declining to update the entire building system, and bumped to work order folks (DGS), waiting to see if they will pay for two compressors/entire system this summer ○ Depending on response, parent advocacy may be needed. Patrick will keep us posted.
	Current Topic #3	**<u>LSAT Elections for Next Year</u>** ● Should we consider two year terms? ○ Principal Hassler prefers one year terms so that we can continue to have new voices & perspectives at the table. ○ Possibility to do a staggered start, with two parents in their first year, two parents in their second year. ○ Consider parent orientation/onboarding at BOY to provide context ● Sharing with the Maury Community ○ Will disseminate election info via Hassler, Maury Listserv, teacher weekly emails. Include specifics about what LSAT does. ○ Next year, meeting times will be decided by the elected group, to offer flexibility (virtual options exist, too) ● ***Next Steps:***

		● Connect with PTA to map out LSAT election timeline, and ensure it doesn't overlap with PTA elections
	Current Topic #4	**<u>SY26-27 Staffing</u>** ● AP Position ○ Interview process starts in May ● Additional hiring ○ Teachers: anticipate 1-2 vacancies ○ Also hiring for new Math Interventionist position
	Current Topic #4: Playground Committee Update	**<u>Playground Improvements</u>** ● Gravel pit ○ Kids love it! ○ Research adding a topper/cover to use when needed ○ Continue using provided brooms to sweep/contain rocks ○ Hose down rocks to remove dust ● Spring painting event ○ Designs? Teachers would like games that don't require a ball (hopscotch, maze, bulls eye, corn hole type games with beanbags, etc) ○ Reach out to Ms. Bomba's friend for painting support
4:55pm	Community Questions and Comments	**<u>Tech concerns from parents</u>** ● Parents are interested in understanding how Maury is responding to research showing that increased screen use in school isn't helpful for learning ○ Families want to see kids doing the heavy lifting and critical thinking ● Framing from Principal Hassler ○ No 1:1 devices in lower grades ○ 4th and 5th grade 1:1 ratio still, but all teachers should be using technology intentionally - it should not be used to replace instruction ○ Math relies on also showing work in person ○ Tech should represent a small but meaningful part of student experience

		• Last few days of school (mid-June): Will there be extra screentime? ○ Lots of moving parts to consider as the school year closes out ○ Teachers are trying to make it engaging/get kids in seats while also knowing some aren't showing up ○ Try to do more outdoor time; may also have a little extra movie time • ***Next steps:*** Reminder to staff about tech policy, especially as the end of year approaches **<u>Enrollment</u>** • School-wide goal is 60% re-enrollment by May 1st • Push with families! Highest enrolled homeroom in each grade earns an extra recess • Ms. Coco is the go-to if you have Aspen questions: ○ Reach out to Maury Attendance if you can't get into Aspen, Coco will reset Aspen for you ○ Hard time finding enrollment area in Aspen? ■ Offering office hours on Tues, 4/28 & Thurs, 4/30, from 7:30am-9:30am, in main office ■ Ms. Coco will look into making a how-to video • PTA will sponsor an additional enrollment prize for the classes with highest percentages
5:00pm	Adjorn	

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