

# Mosaic School of Fine Arts

## Local School Council

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### PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

Jess Mahoney  
Judy Deering  
Tracey Starkovich Moes  
Lida Rosas  
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### STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Marcos

### COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

Jerry Yanoff  
Joseph Romeo

### FACULTY/STAFF REPRESENTATIVES

Allison Qualkinbush, Principal  
Mark Donlin, Teacher  
Michael Krantz-Perlman, Teacher  
Patrick Chi, Technology Coordinator

Agenda for the Thursday, April 11, 2024 Local School Council Meeting  
Held at 5 pm at Mosaic in Room 106

- ❖ Roll Call at 5:07 pm
  - LSC Member Attendance: Patrick Chi, Judy Deering, Jerry Yanoff, Lida Rosas, Jess Mahoney, Michael Krantz-Perlman, Allison Qualkinbush, Tracey Starkovich Moes, Joseph Romeo, Mark Donlin, Michael Butz
  - Guests: Jose Moreno
  
- ❖ Approval of Agenda for the Thursday, April 11, 2024 LSC meeting
  - Motion to approve: Judy Deering, Second: Lida Rosas. Motion approved.
  
- ❖ **New Business**
  - Guest: Ms. Antwanette M. Turner, Crossing Guard Team Lead, Office of School Safety and Security
    - This guest needed to cancel.
    - Safety and Security reviewed our crossing guard needs and gave us advice on how to advertise for a new crossing guard, however no one has taken up our position yet. We have staff volunteering to fill in for the time being until the regular crossing guard returns.
    - Because of liability, we cannot ask anyone to cover this role unless they choose to do so themselves.
  - SY2024-25 Budget
    - [Link to Budget Info Sheet](#)
    - Budget model has shifted for SY25 from previous years
    - There is a massive deficit compared to earlier years
    - Moving from a student based funding model to an equity based funding model
    - “Opportunity Index” (OI) framework for how funding is decided for each school. It includes factors such as demographics, community factors, and historical funding.
      - Across the district, the lowest need is 14, the highest need is 52 (out of a possible 60).. **The OI for Mosaic is (29).**
    - Each school now receives a set number of teachers, including core classroom teachers and ‘Holistic Teachers’ (Arts and PE).
    - Our score of (29) means we are assigned (1) core teacher per (26)

- students and (1) holistic teacher per (5) core classroom teachers.
- CPS is now looking at teachers as positions, without having to worry about the salary of individual teachers when making staffing decisions.
- Discretionary Funds
  - \$365/student - total of \$385,860.00
  - \$300/student for Title I - total of \$199,356.00
- (2) counselor positions
  - Effort will be made to convert one counselor to a “Youth Intervention Specialist” to stay more in line with current staffing.
- EL- (1) full time position, .5 Case Manager (effort will be made to increase Case Manager to 1 as we are just under the threshold for a full time position).
- CPS will not be hearing appeals on SPED positions until May (after Budget has closed)
- PreK is similar to last year (3 classrooms with teachers and aides)
- Fine/Performing Arts schools no longer receive a designated position
- Restorative Justice Coordinator provided for schools with OI of (30) or higher. We will not receive a Restorative Justice Coordinator.
- (2) Interventionist Positions
- \$17,280 in distributed leadership support funds (ILT, etc.)
- Operations Staffing: same lunchroom staff numbers, and .9 security. Custodial staffing is in transition
- Liquidated positions will be reflected in a school's discretionary funds
- Budget Review timeline:
  - **April 30 is deadline for LSC to approve budget**
  - **Next LSC meeting to discuss budget is Tuesday, April 23 at 5:00 pm**
  - **Teachers will have an opportunity to weigh in on the budget the week of April 15.**
- Principals' Report
  - [Link to Full Principal's Report](#)
    - [Link to Dance Flooring Proposal](#)
      - ◆ Motion to approve Dance Floor: Tracey Starkovich, Second: Jerry Yanoff. Motion approved to proceed with Dance Flooring.
      - ◆ Suggested quote: \$32,990.
    - Regarding supply lists, request from Parents for teachers to:
      - ◆ Not request specific brands
      - ◆ Have consistent lists across grade levels
- Fundraising Forms
  - 7th/8th Grade Sports Banquet
    - Suggested entrance fee to attend, \$10/parents (anticipated \$500 profit) to be used for future Sports Banquets or equipment
      - ◆ Motion to approve: Joe Romeo, Second: Jess

Mahoney. Motion approved

- Family Movie Night May 15 (MSA), snack sale \$1-\$1, entrance fee \$1
  - Incentives include t-shirts, club supplies, and the long term goal of a school-wide Eid event (specification about what a school-wide Eid event would look like will be requested prior to planning of the event).
    - ◆ Motion to approve: Jess Mahoney, Second: Michael Krantz-Perlman. Motion approved.
  - Family Game Night, PreK-4, April 24, \$1 snacks
    - ◆ Motion to approve: Jess Mahoney, Second: Michael Krantz-Perlman. Motion approved.
  - Request to amend MSA Thursday snack sale to partner with PTO. Motion not voted on - more information needed.
  - Check for 8th Grade Great America field trip of \$1,210.00
  - Request to change school photographer to Barksdale School Portraits/Pictures with Class
    - ◆ Motion to approve: Jess Mahoney, Second: Mark Donlin. Motion approved.
- Parent Representatives' Report
  - School soccer games -urge to pay closer attention to games during Ramadan- kids still playing sports while fasting and showing visible signs of stress.
  - Concern of MSA potluck to celebrate Eid. Potlucks are not allowed per CPS guidelines. School will look further into the line between religious groups teaching about and celebration religious holidays.
- Teachers' and Staff Report
- Community Members' Report
  - Update on communications with Congresswoman Schakowski's office

### ❖ Old Business

- Status Updates
  - Adult ESL Delay
  - broken sidewalk on Fairfield
  - teacher parking allowance
    - It hasn't passed the city council this month, but should next month. We hope to have more information May.
  - soccer/basketball field lighting
  - crossing guard issue
    - Letter on hold

### ❖ Next Steps

- Principal will....
- Parent reps will....
- Teachers and Staff will....
- Community reps will....
  - Note for future meetings about what to discuss via Email, creating a Fund for students in need, and how to get further involved in politics to advocate for more resources and funds for the school.

❖ Public Commentary

❖ Motion to adjourn: Jess Mahoney, Second: Michael Butz. Meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

**“Parking Lot Topics”**

- what is safe to discuss via email
- creating a Fund for students in need
- connecting politically to advocate for more resources and funds
- a tutorial in the fundraising process from Ms. Shami