

# **New Field School** **Local School Council**

*Notice is hereby given that the LSC has called a regular meeting*

**Tuesday, April 8, 2025 | 5:00 - 7:00 PM**

**New Field School Library: 1707 W. Morse Ave**

Live Stream Link: [meet.google.com/tnx-eezq-ozn](https://meet.google.com/tnx-eezq-ozn)

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## **AGENDA:**

### 1. Call to order

Meeting was called to order by Sarah Bledsoe at 5:07 p.m.

Approved by Jenn Bricker, Sheila Ongay, Conrey Callahan, Angela Papa, Jennifer Nelson, Cynthia Gaines, Mohammed Mehdi, Hannah Kardon, Erica Payne-Gaitan, and Rachel Oppenheimer

### 2. Roll Call

Sarah Bledsoe, Jenn Bricker, Sheila Ongay, Conrey Callahan, Angela Papa, Jennifer Nelson, Cynthia Gaines, Mohammed Mehdi, Hannah Kardon, Erica Payne-Gaitan, and Rachel Oppenheimer were all in attendance.

### 3. Approval of agenda

Motion to remove closed session item from the agenda was made by Sarah Bledsoe. Approved by Jenn Bricker, Sheila Ongay, Conrey Callahan, Angela Papa, Jennifer Nelson, Cynthia Gaines, Mohammed Mehdi, Hannah Kardon, Erica Payne-Gaitan, and Rachel Oppenheimer.

### 4. [Approval of minutes](#)

Motion to approve previous minutes from previous meeting made by Sarah Bledsoe. Approved by Jenn Bricker, Sheila Ongay, Conrey Callahan, Angela Papa, Jennifer Nelson, Cynthia Gaines, Mohammed Mehdi, Hannah Kardon, Erica Payne-Gaitan, and Rachel Oppenheimer

### 5. Old Business

None at this time.

Pari Karim joined the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

### 6. New Business

- a. Ms. Callahan proposed some budget amendments for EOY spending.  
Title One funds - we have some money in our benefits pointer.

\$2,000 has already been paid towards professional development.

Two funds could be moved for a different purpose - 53307 (digital account). \$3,900 from that account is currently used for Lexia, Boardmaker, and FunHub for Foundations.

Comparability adjustment which comes from state and federal funds could be moved away from software purchases.

Motion was made by Sarah Bledsoe to approve title one funds.

Motion was approved by Jenn Bricker, Sheila Ongay, Conrey Callahan, Angela Papa, Jennifer Nelson, Cynthia Gaines, Mohammed Mehdi, Hannah Kardon, Erica Payne-Gaitan, Rachel Oppenheimer, and Pari Karim.

March funding sources will be updated soon.

Motion to amend the agenda and add a vote on principal evaluation was made by Sarah Bledsoe. Motion was approved by Jenn Bricker, Sheila Ongay, Conrey Callahan, Angela Papa, Jennifer Nelson, Cynthia Gaines, Mohammed Mehdi, Hannah Kardon, Erica Payne-Gaitan, Rachel Oppenheimer, and Pari Karim.

b. Update to GoCPS Seat Capacity based on new CTU Contract

The new teachers' contract will be voted on this upcoming Thursday or Friday. Change in class size agreements will take effect during SY 26. The kindergarten threshold will be 23 students. We now typically allow 25 students for each kindergarten classroom. This may lead to longer waits on the rolling waitlist (sibling preference, geography, and STLS status can also impact enrollment).

c. Internal Accounts Expenditures: Movie Night & Possible Summer Programming Funds

We'd like to host a family movie night again this year.

Movie Night cost \$1,750 last year, and we'd like to set aside \$2,000 for this year's event.

This year summer programming will be reduced (there is a 50% reduction in OST programming).

We'd like to host 1 Springboard cohort in order to maintain reading skills. Rising 2nd and 3rd graders would have priority.

Funds can be pulled from our building lease income.  
\$6,000 would go towards the summer structured literacy program.

Motion to approve the use of funds for Movie Night and 1 Springboard cohort for the summer was made by Sarah Bledsoe. Motion was approved by Jenn Bricker, Sheila Ongay, Conrey Callahan, Angela Papa, Jennifer Nelson, Cynthia Gaines, Mohammed Mehdi, Hannah Kardon, Erica Payne-Gaitan, Rachel Oppenheimer, and Pari Karim.

Motion to approve the principal evaluation for 2025 was made by Sarah Bledsoe. Motion was approved by Jenn Bricker, Sheila Ongay, Conrey Callahan, Angela Papa, Jennifer Nelson, Cynthia Gaines, Mohammed Mehdi, Hannah Kardon, Erica Payne-Gaitan, Rachel Oppenheimer, and Pari Karim.

## 7. Reports:

### a. Principal Report

Shout outs:

- Angela Papa - being awarded a Donors Choose grant.
- STLS program funds are being used for a before school program. We're currently seeing solid attendance and participation in the program.
- Attendance buddy leads - Sheila Ongay is leading the program and we're seeing great outcomes.
- Instructional walkthroughs are taking place (recently a school walkthrough was conducted by the MTSS committee to observation instruction of foundational skills). Science and literacy walkthroughs will both take place in April. Teachers are creating Look Fors to be used during observations.

In May committee leads will be able to decide on priorities for next year.

The Transitional Bilingual Team is meeting with network literacy leads with the goal of having the vertical progression solidified.

Administration and Ms. Papa met with 9 families of 2nd grade students who are currently not making progress (2nd grade is benchmark year).

New teacher support - collaborative goal setting is occurring between some mentors and mentees.

Our final literacy units of the school year have just launched.  
The literacy committee will look at any portions of the units that we were not able to complete this year.

#### Domain Three - Culture and Climate

75% of families attended Parent Teacher Conferences.

The preschool application process has opened up and K-4 enrollment starts on Monday, April 14th.

The vaccine clinic will take place this Friday.

#### Connectedness and Well-Being

Spanish coping skills group - Ms. Lopez and a social worker will co-run a homework club.

95 students are participating in Attendance Buddies.

#### Domain Four

Ms. Loesch is back and we're currently seeking a temporary teacher for Ms. Petrasz's maternity leave.

Sue Briggs (school clerk) is out on medical leave and we have a new person filling the role starting on Monday.

New preference sheets have been shared with staff. There is currently a low volume of submissions, but this will pick up before the due date.

#### b. Parent Advisory Committee/ NCLB (PAC)

No current report - will have a report at next meeting.

#### c. Bilingual Advisory Committee (BAC)

Met during Academic Night (led "Bridging Experiences" for families).

Ms. Regalado and Ms. Tubon presented to New Field families.

Art workshop with families will be held during the next meeting.

#### d. PPLC

None at this time

8. Public Comment

None at this time

9. Agenda items for next meeting

Feedback session for principal evaluation

Budget should be released in May

10. Closed Session: Principal Evaluation (removed by an amendment)

11. Adjourn

12. Motion to end meeting at 5:54 made by Sarah Bledsoe. Motion was approved by Jenn Bricker, Sheila Ongay, Conrey Callahan, Angela Papa, Jennifer Nelson, Cynthia Gaines, Mohammed Mehdi, Hannah Kardon, Erica Payne-Gaitan, Rachel Oppenheimer, and Pari Karim.