

Parkside Elementary School

Date: March 10, 2025

Time: 5:00 pm

Location: Zoom ID: 485 320 4864

Passcode: 3rznsH

- I. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 5:02pm
- II. **Roll Call:** Mrs. Brown called roll

| Role | Name <i>(or Vacant)</i> | Present or Absent |
|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Principal | Timmy Foster | Present |
| Parent/Guardian | Angela Bond | Present |
| Parent/Guardian | Taylor Pratt | Present |
| Parent/Guardian | Beth Stephens | Present |
| Instructional Staff | Jaisha Haynes | Present |
| Instructional Staff | Eleanor Lambert | Present |
| Instructional Staff | Tracie Brown | Present |
| Community Member | Kenneth Roy | Present |
| Community Member | Ryan Downey | Present |
| Swing Seat | Megan McKnight | Present |

Quorum Established: Yes

III. Action Items

- A. **Approval of Agenda: Motion** Passed unanimously
Motion made by: Bond; Seconded by: McKnight
Members Approving: 9
Members Opposing: 0
Members Abstaining: 0
Motion: Passed unanimously
- B. **Approval of Previous Minutes Motion:** Passed unanimously
Motion made by: Lambert; Seconded by: Bond
Members Approving: 9
Members Opposing: 0
Members Abstaining: 0
Motion: Passed unanimously

C. Action Item 1: Final Budget Recommendation

Motion made by: McKnight Seconded by: Haynes

Members Approving: 9

Members Opposing: 0

Members Abstaining: 0

Motion: Passed unanimously

IV. Discussion Items

A. Presentation of the final budget recommendation

Principal Foster presented the final budget recommendation, which was based on previous discussions and a staffing meeting held on the 27th. Mr. Foster discussed the final meeting regarding the budget cycle and the staffing projections for the upcoming year. The projected student numbers are 602, with 131 in 1st grade, 104 in K, 92 in second, 89 in 3rd, 95 in 4th, and 91 in 5th. The class sizes and special education allocations were also discussed. The school will have one counselor, one MTSS, one media specialist, one social worker, and one nurse. The administrative team will consist of one principal, two APs, a secretary, a clerk, a bookkeeper, and a non-instructional aid.

The non-staffing allocations were also reviewed. The only change was the professional learning opportunities for teachers. Mr. Foster discussed the school's budget, which is \$10,218,000 with 80% allocated for instruction. He mentioned a \$137,000 reserve that will be released after the 10th day of enrollment for the new school year. The budget also includes a \$100 million shortfall that has not been finalized. Mr. Foster also mentioned a priority to increase student leadership, introducing a stipend for the Debate team, Student Government, Beta Club, Chorus, Pandarettes, Cool Girls. The majority of the budget is spent on instruction. Mr. Foster confirmed that the stipends are for extra hours for the instructional staff and that there is money for additional clubs. The budget was approved as presented and passed unanimously.

V. Information Items

A. Uniform Committee Report/Updates

Mrs. Bond presented a survey summary of students, families, and staff opinions on school uniforms. The survey revealed mixed opinions, with 52% of families and 60% of staff in favor of a traditional uniform. Students were more divided, with 53% against uniforms and 47% in favor. Mrs. Bond raised three questions for the team to consider: the number of students receiving uniform assistance, the possibility of providing non-uniform clothes to families, and the district's decisions on uniforms. Mrs. Brown clarified that the organization providing uniform assistance could not shift to non-uniform clothes.

The meeting focused on the school's uniform policy. Mrs. Brown raised a question about incentivizing students to wear uniforms, which Mr. Foster agreed to research. Miss Haynes expressed her opposition to uniforms, emphasizing the importance of students' attendance over their attire. Mrs. Stephens suggested that the convenience and equity provided by uniforms were compelling reasons to maintain the policy. Mrs. Brown clarified that families in need could still receive uniforms even if the school was not a uniform school. Mr. Foster expressed his support for the decision made by the group. Mrs. Bond asked for confirmation of the 30% number of students receiving uniform assistance, which Mr. Foster agreed to look into. The team agreed to make a formal recommendation to everyone after their final advisory committee meeting.

B. CAT Report (Feb. 24th, 2025)

Mr. Foster discussed the District Strategic Plan and the upcoming input session. He also mentioned the Facilities Master Plan for 2026 and the new schedule for its rollout. Mr. Pratt agreed with Mr. Foster's points and expressed the challenges in accomplishing community goals due to the time constraints and the structure of the meetings. Mrs. Stephens raised a question about the combination of the CAT meeting and the facilities master plan,

VI. Announcements- The Go Team vacant seats for the next year are two parent seats and one staff member seat.

VII. Public Comment- no public comments

VIII. Adjournment

Motion made by: Lambert Seconded by: McKnight

Members Approving: 9

Members Opposing: 0

Members Abstaining: 0

Motion: Passed unanimously

Minutes Taken By: Tracie Brown

Position: Secretary

Approved: March 11, 2025

ADJOURNED AT 5:45 pm