



# Collaborative School Committee February 12, 2018

**McKinley-Thatcher Elementary School**  
1230 S. Grant Street  
Denver, CO 80210

## Meeting Agenda:

- 5:00 - 5:05 Call to order, Sign-in, Introductions
- 5:05 – 5:10 Approve January Minutes
- 5:10 – 5:20 Update on Expansion Projects
- 5:20 – 5:30 Ideal Class Size / School Choice Discussion
- 5:30 – 6:30 Budget Priorities and Budget Finalization

## Upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday 3/13	5:00 – 6:30 pm	Unified Improvement Plan
Tuesday 4/10	5:00 – 6:30 pm	TBD
Tuesday 5/8	5:00 – 6:30 pm	TBD

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## **McKinley-Thatcher Elementary CSC Meeting Minutes Date:2/13/2018**

**Attendees:**

Sonia Geerdes, Kaela Evans, Sarah Weaver, Jason Kopecky, Kaitlyn Carson, Allison Gleichman, Sarah Rackliffe, Becca Davidson, Barb Silverstein

Meeting called to order at 5:05

**Class size 1st - 2nd**

- projected at 26 (currently 30 students in first)
- We can close the number of choice spots however any students that are living in the boundary we have to take them in
- Sonia calling into the choice office to determine the numbers for next year
- Currently 37 enrolled in K for 2018-2019 - First choice (cap at 40/42 - 20/21 per class)

**Expansion**

- DAG - meeting for the design of the expansion
- Creating 6 classrooms that have access to outside

**Budget FY18-19**

- Last year we got a lot of positions paid for by the district now all of the money is in the budget
- Teachers got raises, now teachers cost 71,000 (69,000 last year)
- Para we pay their salary and benefits, teachers we pay an average
- Big things:
  - Per pupil amount goes up because teachers cost more
  - More free and reduced lunch, more money there than prior
  - Students in transitions, more money for them
  - EL program - full time position to half time position
    - Everyday position ½ day
  - Math intervention funding changing - keeping interventionist
  - Lost red money, earned green money
  - School psych - base allocation
  - Lost kinder para funding from the state - going to 1 kinder para
  - 325,000 for budget assistance for small schools, under 215 (k-5) Currently ~137 at McT
- Overall decrease of 114,000
- Operating Budget
  - Subs cost the school money
  - \$30,000 is about as low as we can go for our supplies budget
  - FA - fall adjustment: need to add more money to this category

Budget is balanced

- If we do this staffing model we are good



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- If we have more kids in kinder we may want another para for kinder

Carry forward

- Admin assistant? - Not in the budget:would need to use the carry forward
- Kinder para? Not sure if the budget would allow us to hire

Teacher Residents

- ECE - Cheaper than a para
- Allows lower teacher to student ratio
- Available for all grades
- Based on the needs of the school/program

Staffing possibilities to make cuts

- Assessment para/ Office
- General para - 1st grade support
- ESL para
- Family liaison
- Tech specialist/tech teacher (teacher tech, testing device, classroom devices)

Operating areas we can cut

- Extra duty pay
- Move early literacy stipends to fund release days

Admin assistant

- 3 days vs. 2 days
- 2 days is staggered
- ½ days?
- Certain number of calendar days
- 2 days dependent upon enrollment?
- **Decision: Don't offer and wait for our enrollment**

Ask PTA

- Trip \$

Increase School fee

- \$50 for school fees (some supplies/some trips)

20,000 for tech that is not in the budget (Bond money)

The roll over funds will be spent this year and will need to be rebuilt

With Choice we will have a better idea earlier

6000 out of extra duty to field trips

Supplies budget might need to come from family fees too

Meeting Adjourned: 6:33