

Gerber Elementary School Site Council Minutes  
Tuesday, January 30, 2018

**Call to Order** – 3:08 pm

Members Present: Administration (Jenny Montoya), Todd Bateman, Melanie Nolan, Cort Mitchell, Judy Grana, Julie Matlock, Araceli Martinez

**M/S/C Approval of Minutes**

2 Regular Meeting January 16, 2018

*Matlock/Martinez (7 to 0)*

**Review LCAP Goals 17-18**

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- a. Goal 2 continued from meeting on 1-16-18
  - i. Item #5- Promote Healthy Lifestyle Choices
    - 1. The cafeteria continues to research additional offering for breakfast and lunch.
    - 2. There was a discussion about the role of TCDE. They serve as a resource for our high risk students.
  - b. Goal 3: Facilities Maintenance
    - i. The District will be applying for modernization and new construction funding. We have hired a consulting group to work with the district to apply for funds.. The school is looking at getting matching hardship funds that would give us approximately 5 million dollars.
    - ii. The District is also investigating a bond initiative to help fund construction of a gymnasium and additional parking.
    - iii. Immediate needs for maintenance include:
      - 1. Drainage between the portables.
      - 2. Roof repairs as necessary.
      - 3. Aging portable classrooms as necessary.
- c. Spending priorities per goal:
  - i. Goal 1:
    - 1. The District has proposed hiring a second RSP teacher again.
    - 2. There was information and a discussion about the amount of current support staff. Admin discussed the possibility of ways to work around a reduction of support staff that included one LC aide, one ELD aide, and one Behavior aide. Admin stated there was a conversation with ELD teacher about the program's effectiveness should the aide position be eliminated and ELD teacher felt it would be reasonable to work around should that happen.
    - 3. There was a discussion about covering some of the counseling costs with our current full time Psychologist and Behavior Intervention Coordinator. Admin stated the Psychologist is unable to take on those minutes due to time already utilized for the RSP caseload and the Behavior Intervention Coordinator credentials for that type of work have not cleared yet.
    - 4. The money that was not utilized on the proposed second RSP teacher from last year was spent on substitutes for current RSP teacher to cover her caseload requirements.
    - 5. The support that TK/Kinder teachers are providing are not during peak times for the LC so those may not be ideal to offset the potential reduction of support in the LC.

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6. The District will be recruiting for a second RSP teacher soon. Admin mentioned wanting to offer a signing bonus for that position, but that is something that would have to be negotiated with GTA.
7. Concerns were voiced about not having enough behavior support considering our relatively high population of high risk students.
8. The conversation came back around to the ELD aide. It seems this is one of the most feasible positions to work around. ELD services would still be doable, just no longer best case scenario. The LC may be able to take on some of the load created by reducing ELD support.
9. Behavior support seems quite necessary. We have recently reduced minutes in that position for the rest of the year, so it was mentioned we could see how things go with that change in place.
10. It was agreed upon by members that the ELD aide could be cut for the 2018-2019 school year.
11. It was requested for schedules to be brought to the next meeting showing how time for all support staff (full time and part time) are servicing students to get a better idea of how to reduce staff that would impact student services the least. Admin will gather those schedules for members to look over and discuss at the February meeting.
12. It was asked if all aide positions could be collected under one umbrella across RSP and LC to allow for more student coverage due to less departmentalization.

### **Budget Update**

- 4 Our current projections for next year show we are deficit funding significantly. We will need to make approximately \$50,000 in cut to our current expenditures.

Motion to table remainder of agenda until the February 13, 2018 meeting due to time constraints and requested additional information. Admin asked members to not discuss this information outside of School Site Council due to the sensitive nature of the information and no decisions having been reached yet.

**Adjourn** – 4:02 pm  
*Mitchell/Martinez (7 to 0)*