

# School Equity Council Meeting

January 16, 2024

Facilitator: Chris Gerber

- Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87232369103?pwd=WHgvWVF1UmxBaUFnMitBeStMVjNJQT09>

## AGREEMENTS/NORMS

- ★ Start and end on time
- ★ Hearing all voices in all meetings
- ★ Create opportunities for clarifying questions (chat or end of meeting)
- ★ Honor and give space to “first draft thinking”
- ★ Time for readings/documents/notes ahead of time
- ★ Explanations on unknown topics (use of plain language)
- ★ Share out reminders/follow-ups/next steps via email?

**TIME KEEPER:** Missy Page  
**NOTETAKER:** Sarah McGowan

WHAT	HOW	TIME
<b>CONNECTIONS</b>	What is your favorite movie or TV show that no matter how many times it comes on, you will watch it?	6:00-6:15
<b>DISCUSSIONS</b>	Approve <a href="#">November Minutes</a>	6:15-6:30PM
	Budget updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Classroom allocations</li><li>● Cambridge Preschool Program</li><li>● General Budge &amp; SIP budget formula</li></ul>	6:30-7:15
<b>OPTIMISTIC CLOSURE</b>	What family tradition do you cherish the most around the holidays or what is one tradition you have started?	7:15-7:30 PM

Attendance:

Chris Gerber  
Sarah McGowan  
Jennifer Climaco  
Missy Page  
Natalie Lang  
Claire Yu  
Lorletta Dirton  
Olga Sans Cope  
Carrie Jung  
Ruth Wong

**NOTES:**

- ❖ November minutes reviewed and APPROVED
- ❖ Classroom allocations
  - No classrooms will be closed next year
  - Not losing classroom teachers/paraprofessionals
  - We are not adding any more classrooms
  - Incoming 4th grade could be broken into 2 smaller classrooms or admin can do a co-teaching model/departmentalization
  - 44 students have joined KLO since September. How have those students been able to join us? Where did they go?
    - The majority went into SEI classrooms (common for KLO)
    - The district is projecting to our current enrollment (229/230)
      - Goes into our SIP budget, and overall school budget
  - Will the district fix the problem they created with controlled choice?
    - Preschool programming may help mitigate the enrollment issues
- ❖ Cambridge Preschool Program
  - We are gaining a preschool program
  - Preschool program is no longer “special start”
    - Full day preschool for 4 year olds, half of students with IEPs per classroom, 16 students max
  - Those preschool students will then stay at KLO for K and beyond
  - Cambridge program follows school hours vs. private programs that have longer hours (what will families choose?)
  - SEI JK room will become part of CPP
  - The current gen-ed JK/K classrooms will become straight K
  - The KLO is the only school that can physically hold more CPP classrooms if needed in the future
  - The hope is that families will choose CPS preschool over private preschools
  - Both classrooms will have all specials (may not be a full 45 min class)

❖ General Funding

- 229 projected students
- 10,500 baseline budget, different allocations for each subcategory
- Low income: 56.4% (129 students at \$120 each)
- \$100 per EL student
- \$75 per special ed student
- Self contained classroom allocation
- Field trip allocation
- \$72,812 total about \$318 per student (increase of \$13,000 from this year based on projected enrollment)
- If percentage is off, let Ivy know and they will adjust the allocations for incoming students
- Para allocation: all SEI classrooms and K classrooms must have para
  - KLO has higher para allocation if denominator is number of students but smaller allocation if denominator is percentage of special ed students
- Special educators allocation?
  - Being evaluated across district and caseloads are getting shuffled
  - An audit is being done on service delivery minutes (number of students vs service minutes)
    - Look at reassignment of special educators after the audit is finished
    - Audit is expected to be finished before the next school year
- Technology teacher has been cut to .5 FTE district-wide
- Title 1 funds add a position as well as additional funds (books and ballers after school and learn with legos STEAM after school program)