

Maury LSAT
LSAT Meeting Notes
January 17, 2017

Attendees

Carolyn Albert-Garvey, Principal
David Anspacher, Parent
Shirley Battle, Teacher
Henri Cooper, WTU Rep
Vanessa Duckett, Teacher
Carly Fox, Teacher
David Friebele, Staff
Amber Gove, Parent
Kira Kliment, Faculty
Erica Martin, Parent
Charles Moore, Neighbor
Elizabeth Nelson, Community Member
Abby Sparrow, Teacher
Shannon Von Felden, Parent
Susan Wall, Parent

Agenda

1. Progress Update on Chancellor / School Goals
 - David Friebele continues to analyze the data.
 - Carolyn Albert-Garvey: some kids are passing Fountas & Pinnell test but are unable to read at the level they passed.
2. Volunteer Tutor Outreach
 - Carolyn Albert-Garvey: students are using iReady two days a week with Ms Marx in Polite Piggies.
 - Carly Fox: there are five iReady tutors.
 - David Friebele asked whether there is a need for parent volunteers for the Math Academy. Carly will consider.
3. Transportation Safety
 - Amber Gove briefed the committee on the transportation safety walk that was conducted in December with representatives from Councilmember Charles Allen' office, the police department, DDOT, and several parents. The group walked along Constitution Ave to 14th St, C St, and Tennessee Ave, highlighting concerns within the vicinity of Maury ES, and along the walk to Eliot-Hine MS. A discussion was held after the walking tour.
 - Radar signs are now functioning on C St.

- There will be a community transportation safety meeting on Tuesday, 1/24 at 6:30 pm at Maury Elementary School.

4. Family Engagement

- Kira Kliment provided an overview of Family Engagement series. There have been three meetings with between 3 and 7 attendees.
- Highlights of the meetings include:
 - Home visits are the favorite form of engagement.
 - Most families are happy with the communication, but it can be a learning curve. It takes a long time for parents to get used to Maury communications (weekly packet, emails, monthly newsletter, etc).
 - There are very different approaches to communication among teachers. Some teachers provide a lot of information, others do not. Per Carolyn Albert-Garvey, all teachers need to provide weekly updates to families.
 - Discussion about how to make new families of preschool children welcomed. One idea considered was a welcome committee for new families.
 - Carolyn Albert-Garvey: Need to do more to get new kindergarten families engaged. One idea considered was a family social the first week school.
 - Susan Hall and Amber Gove volunteered to buddy with new families who started midyear.

5. SIT and Modernization

- There was discussion about whether to conduct another survey regarding the four school modernization options, now that DCPS has presented a fourth option. Several members were in favor of providing an opportunity to comment on the new option, but not conducting a new survey of the four options.