

Liberty Tree Academy
SAAC Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2023
Begin Time: 4:32 pm

Members in attendance:

Mrs. Hoffmann, SAAC chair
Mr. Manley, LTA Principal
Mrs. Stephanie Spomer, Community member
Mrs. Sarada Connor, Parent
Ms. Amanda Miller, LTA Staff
Mrs. Lorena Cross, Parent
Mrs. Kathleen Tavernier, LTA Admin

I. Review By-Laws

1) Discussion to add attendees to the by-law after enrollment ends. Attendees would not be voting members.

2) Discussion to post committee to the newsletter and the LTA Families Facebook.

3) Add an extra "A" to SAAC in the first paragraph.

II. DAAC Update

1) The D49 board approved 3-2 to have the Mill Levy Teacher Pay increase on the November Ballot.

a) The 2 members voted against the ballot measure because they felt that right now, homeowners are going through an economic hardship.

2) Peter Hilts spoke about the MLO ballot and is using the "We Love D49 Teachers" campaign for this ballot.

a) They are asking for 7 mills (1 thousandth of a dollar is a mill)

b) Need the District Performance Framework to score 40% to continue with this 7-7-7 framework. (7 mill for 7 years for a 7% pay increase)

c) Charter Schools will have to adopt a resolution that they will spend this money on teacher pay. They do not have to have to commit to a 7% raise in order to receive their money. They do not need to spend it on teacher pay.

d) Still in the process of going through the district lawyers for the correct verbiage for the ballot.

III. UIP

- 1) Cleaning up from last spring district-wide.
- 2) Will have another UIP due date in spring.
- 3) Using 2022-23 data
 - a) 3 items the school wants to improve on.
 - i) Hiring an Instructional Coach (Already hired 1, want to add another)
 - ii) Using data to drive instructional decisions.
 - iii) Providing supplemental materials for teachers.
 - textbooks
 - math manipulatives
 - b) Plans for all 3 are continued for the following year.
- 4) Fall UIP is due in September and Spring UIP is due in April.

IV. Budget

- 1) LTA has not used their MLO funds.
- 2) Looking to use MLO funds for:
 - a) Teacher compensation
 - b) Concurrent enrollment
 - 1) To have LTA teachers train to teach concurrent classes.
 - 2) Collect curriculum from PPSC that aligns with Hillsdale and LTA's curriculum
- 3) MLO Funds can only be used for:
 - a) Teacher compensation
 - b) Security
 - c) Student technology
 - d) College and Career (ICAP, concurrent enrollment, etc)

V. Next SAAC Meeting Dates

November 14, January 9, March 5, and May 7

VI. Open Issues

- 1) Needs more parents for SAAC

End of meeting 5:12pm