

Lafayette HSA Board Meeting Draft Agenda

Monday, March 15, 2021, at 7:30 pm

1. Welcome - Bree and Ann

- a. Interim Secretary Position discussion
 - i. Candidates: Eleanor Correa and Jessica Jones
 - ii. Jessica has volunteered to help with Comms (non voting position)
- b. *Eleanor - interim Secretary*
- c. *Jessica - communications assistant*
 - i. *Happy to help learn more about the HSA in an interim capacity after this year*
 - ii. *Jessica happy to help out with more comms and jump right in instead of Secretary*
 - iii. *Concern: an assisting capacity does not allow for voting capacity. She doesn't really mind.*

2. Principal's Update

- a. *Two huddles last week - in-person families and virtual-only families*
- b. *First huddle in about six weeks*
 - i. *Where we are, what's changed and what's changing*
 - ii. *Term 4 coming up around the corner*
 - iii. *Mayor's press conference today (3/15) - Mayor's statement about caps on the number of kids doesn't account for desk spacing: desk spacing at six feet allows only for 11 students. Unless the guidance on six feet there aren't likely changes on class size.*
 - iv. *DCPS's guidance too is 11 students to 1 adult*
 - v. *Teachers who have ADA accommodations and can teach virtually will continue to do so*
 - vi. *WHO is suggesting 3' vs 6' - but it's not our school district's policy - information is getting muddled and people are eager and hungry for what comes next*
 - vii. *DCPS Budget season: rough this year (as expected)*
 1. *Not moving to Military road forced losing 2 pre-k classrooms - about \$10K in change of funding per child - ~\$440K.*
 2. *Able to have money added to the initial allocation from DCPS*
 3. *Losses - some positions: not necessarily staff yet as things can be shuffled around*
 - a. *Lost a half-time Spanish teaching position*

b. Half-time ELL position

c. 2 pre-k positions

viii. HSA Budget

1. Almost negligible on supplies from DCPS so a budget need from the HSA

3. Fundraising Update - Rachael

a. DC Ed Fund Proposal for Equity pledge

i. Met with Jeannie to discuss donations (~\$8,000) and they're thinking about what to do with that money to be impactful

ii. Kids are required to be up to date on vaccines to return, and that's a barrier for some students to return. Ward 5, 7 or 8 is opening up a childhood vaccine drop-in. Suggesting to use money to purchase grocery store gift-cards with the Lafayette vaccinations.

- 1. Anastasia: Jeannie has a strong sense of what the populations she serves needs' as an incentive to come in and get their shots*
- 2. Incentive and not need-based, but targeting wards where need is high*
- 3. Make sure to address what to do if there are excess gift cards*
- 4. Consensus vote: Yes*

b. Virtual Community fundraiser update

- 1. Intent to do a few fundraisers 3-5 still*
- 2. Good option for 5K race (Alex) - fuae for virtual race*
- 3. Trivia night (Rachael)*

4. Committee Updates

Teacher appreciation for next meeting

Diversity and Inclusion: adding one more parents for group and next year

5. Finance Team Update - Gabe, Paul, Michelle, Dan and Jennifer

a. Finance update

b. Budget discussion

i. Bylaws require presentation of a preliminary budget at General meeting - then at least 15 days review before a vote (we can again hold virtual election, open for a week - to open at the conclusion of the Budget Presentation meeting - potential dates for budget presentation: March 15,

then 15 days review and comment/ then virtual vote March 29-April 2) -
OR - add a General Meeting just for Budget in April, with 2 weeks before
new voting period)

ii. LSAT Budget process and school input

Dr. B on priorities

1. *Peace program - highest priority*
2. *Technology software licenses*
3. *School-wide supplies*
4. *Teacher supply lines (can go down to \$100 a teacher if need be)*

5. *Food prints - a fan favorite: not so transparent on the pricing*
 - a. *Potentially have them maintain the garden if food and eating programs are not safe for the rest of this year*
6. *Recess coaches - HSA paid out the contract last year even though we weren't in school*
 - a. *Had two coaches*
 - b. *Have to re-think if we're not mixing cohorts may need to think about logistics*
 - c. *Drum line - may be superfluous*
 - d. *Extracurricular funding was fine-tuned in the past to ensure equity across activities (to exclude bias for HSA board member family activities) rely on that heavily*
 - e. *May need support for tutoring and to help catch kids up or other unanticipated costs*
 - i. *Dr B - federal stimulus money for kids who need assistance (~\$112K from summer through the rest of next year)*

iii. Parent engagement plan

f. Survey to parents

6. Next steps

- a. Present Budget to Board for approval at March 29 Meeting
- b. Budget engagement: present to community, surveys (all via email/posting)
- c. Next General Meeting: April 26 - Final Budget presentation and vote

Estimating N=942 students for 2021-2022

(N = 624 in-person right now)