

# Sauganash Elementary LSC Meeting Notes

Monday, January 13, 2020 @ The Zalinski Cafeteria

- I. Call to Order: 6:34 pm
- II. Roll Call: Attendees -- Chris Munns, Elaine Fitzgerald, Tom Pikarski, Chris Schumer, Christina Tassone, Angie Cantillon, Lara Oweimrin, Mary McKenna, Mary Hagerty. Planned Absent: Don Zalinski, Vicky Kurzydio, Liz Piper
- III. Approval of Agenda: added items - clarify pre-k commitment; discuss CPS Accelerated Placement program
- IV. Old Business: Approved minutes from November unanimously
- V. Reports:
  - A. Chair - Elaine Fitzgerald:
    - Election announcement for April 22; nominations due March 5
    - Intl night Jan 30 5:30pm-7pm
    - Ward participatory budgeting - vote Jan 17-27
  - II. Principal - Chris Munns
    - Participatory budgeting: encourage votes for outdoor water fountain and crosswalk for Peterson traffic near school
    - Hired 3 new individuals with addl funding from the latest CTU-CPS contract:
      - a. Two to support 3rd grade classrooms (addl funding from new contract)
      - b. One to backup Mrs Barrie while on maternity leave, already in classroom
    - PTO Report: ~67k reached! Bingo night 6-6:30pm; spring benefit in March
  - c. Christina T:
    - a. Capital Expansion Update:
      - Strategy update on overcrowding.
        - It's not just Sauganash but we are the 3rd most overcrowded elementary school in Chicago this year based on [latest CPS data](#). And there are several overcrowded in the NW region.
        - We have heard parents feedback in various channels and continue to be clear: No to boundary changes and no to closed enrollment; we need an addition
        - Beyond speeches at monthly BoE hearings, we want to pursue other channels to raise awareness of our need, namely the ward and other politicians
        - We encourage parents to write emails or letters to CPS leadership on school expansions.
        - Gathering support letter from state senators
        - Checking interest with local media outlets in raising awareness of current crowding levels
        - CSP Is hosting a workshop 29-Jan @6pm @Amundson High School. Purpose is to understand and collaborate with CPS on budgeting and school crowding; email Chris Munns if interested).
        - We will centralize LSC and parents' speeches on school expansion so parents can follow the messaging.
- f. Old Business

- g. New Business
  - a. Comparability funds received. 50k transferred to instruction materials budget for student use. Approved unanimously
  - b. Pre-kindergarten.
    - Requesting 3 pre-k classrooms (long) as part of the school expansion request.
    - No specific commitment on timeline to support pre-k for Sauganash
  - c. Advanced placement
    - Single-subject advanced placement (IAR).
      1. GPA and assessment > Gifted Test
      2. 4 year old going into kindergarten
      3. Apply through downtown
- h. Set Agenda for Next Meeting
- i. Announce Date of Next Meeting 0- Feb 24 @ 630pm
- j. Adjourned