

Greenspun School Organizational Team

Minutes for meeting on February 5, 2025

SOT members:

Ashley Hanks (parent) present	Jackie Carducci, Principal
Angie Lee (parent) absent	Kara Matthews (teacher) present
Amber Whiting (parent) present	Casey Juliano (teacher) present
Krysta Ortiz (parent) present	Liza Neilson (support staff) present
Stephen Silberkraus (parent) absent	Andrew Slocum (teacher) present
Mailee Wachter (student rep.) absent	Camila Courtney (student rep.) absent

Also present:

Vince Bognot, Assistant Principal
Casandra Iglitz, Assistant Principal
Laura Wiesner, teacher

- Jackie calls the meeting to order at 2:30pm
- Casandra presents the proposed 2025-2026 budget information and explains that the budget has been reduced from \$8,793,422,58 in 2024-2025 to \$7,437,305.33 for 2025-2026.
- Cassandra adds that several positions were cut to meet the budget deficit, including one assistant principal position, and several support staff positions that were previously budgeted for, but not filled.
- Cassandra explains that the admin team made the difficult decision to reduce one licensed teaching position for next year to meet the budget deficit, and that the position will be reduced from the ELA department, because it is the highest staffed department in the school.
- Cassandra adds that even with the proposed staff reductions, more cuts are necessary to meet the deficit, and consequently, the extra hours that were being paid to instructional assistants will need to be cut for next year.
- Cassandra added that the admin team is hopeful that the Spring legislative session will produce higher budget projections for all of CCSD, but that we will not know that until much later this year.
- Andy inquires about projected budget for software purchases such as Achieve 3000, Accelerated Reader, BrainPop, and others.
- Cassandra explains that, at this time, there is not enough money in the projected budget for these types of software purchases, but that various fundraising projects are being planned to supplement the shortfalls.
- Krysta asks the team to vote to approve the 2025-2026 strategic budget. All present voting members vote to approve the budget.

- Andy inquires about the possibility of seeking sponsorships for the school.
- Casey adds that social media plays a large part in creating partnerships with sponsors.
- Krysta asks the SOT to review the minutes from January

Next SOT meeting date is Wednesday, March 26 at 2:30pm in the library.