

**Shakerag Elementary School Governance Council
Budget Committee Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2017**

Members present: Lynette Baker, Stephanie Beckles, Forest Leffew (via teleconference), Christine Lemerond, Robert Luskin, Seani Serfontein.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 a.m.

The 2018 financial year budget was discussed.

Number of classes anticipated by projected enrollment:

Kindergarten	: 5
1 st Grade	: 4
2 nd grade	: 5
3 rd grade	: 5
4 th grade	: 5
5 th grade	: 6

No large expenditures are anticipated in FY18. The largest expenditure is additional personnel to support current initiatives and teacher/student supports. We were very fortunate to receive a seed fund grant which will cover our professional development needs and the purchase of flexible furniture for collaborative learning labs.

It was proposed that we:

- Use our At Risk, ESOL, and other program specific allotments to help contribute towards the "flex teacher" position. This position will support students across multiple abilities and contents as well as supporting the development of our teachers.
- Convert 2.0 custodial positions and continue to outsource our custodial cleaning. The additional cost of supplies, overtime, depreciation/replacement of equipment and cost of temporary workers in the event of an employee absence is estimated to cover the difference.
- Purchase two positions. (1.) ASL/STEM Lab teacher- This position was part of our initial strategic plan and provides our students with the opportunity to explore and create in an environment that promotes critical thinking and collaboration. (2.) Flex Teacher - The flex teacher position will allow us to hire an individual that has the knowledge and ability to support students across multiple levels and support our teachers in the implementation of effective instructional practices connected to Personalized Learning and Project Based Learning.
- Convert our itinerant positions (.2 art, music, PE and .2 PE parapro) to support the purchase of our ASL/STEM Lab teacher. This allows our students to have five days of special area classes.

Seani motioned to recommend to the School Governance Council to approve the proposed budget as discussed; Lynette seconded, the recommendation was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 a.m.

Christine Lemerond

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