

**Sue Morrow Elementary School
School Organizational Team Minutes
January 29, 2021
7:30 am**

The following members were present: Angel Giarraffa, Merridee Turner, Jaime Witte, Nina Johnson, Melissa Galbraith, and Nathan Conrad.

Ms. Witte presented the proposed budget for the upcoming 2021-22 school year. As a staff, the main concern is to have smaller class sizes in order to better serve our students.

Since this is a legislative session, we may have to change the plan for our budget depending on the outcome of the session. The CARES II Act will fund the Read By Grade 3 and GATE teachers.

Our school has been awarded SB178 money in the amount of \$107,590. Some of that money will be used to fund classroom teachers. Ms. Witte is proposing to use the discretionary units for 4th and 5th grade teachers which will bring the total to three (3) teachers in each of those grade levels. She will use some of the SB178 money to put another teacher in 1st grade. We would also like to fund a counselor position for the upcoming school year. She is also planning to buy out the other two (2) days of the SEIF pac in order to better serve our special education students and staff. A possible two (2) hour increase is being considered for the FASA position if funds are available.

Mr. Conrad asked if there was a plan in case we are not awarded attrition or carryover money. Ms. Witte stated if that were the case, it is possible that some support staff hours and/or positions might be cut. She does not want to cut teaching positions as that is not what is best for students. She would just have to see what the monetary cuts looked like. In that instance, the Committee would then re-convene and a new plan would be discussed.

Ms. Galbraith asked if anyone wanted to present a motion to vote on the proposed budget plan. Mrs. Johnson presented the motion. Mrs. Barton seconded the motion. The team voted unanimously to approve the proposed budget plan as set forth by Ms. Witte.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

The next meeting will be held on January 19, 2021.