

Seabreeze Elementary School Advisory Council

May 17, 2022 - Minutes

Meeting called to order. Attendance: Natalie Brewster (Chair), Lauren Stout (PTA), Lindsay Williams (Friends of Seabreeze), Ernestine Mansh (Support Staff), Michelle Langevin (Parent), Ms. Aimee Kimball (Principal), Ms. Newsome (Teacher)

Agenda reviewed and minutes accepted.

Old Business:

- Ice Cream Social feedback was very positive
- Testing Debrief Testing is completed. 3rd grade results by late June.

New Business:

- Seabreeze Science Fair We have enough judges but great way for SAC to get involved.
- Readers Beach Will staff with school staff no volunteers needed.
- Fletcher High School Clap Out scheduled for 5/20. Many beaches elementary schools have Fletcher graduates this year. Excited to start this tradition
- Referendum update from Ms. Kimball (attach Flyer)
 - o Must be registered by July 25th. Early voting Early August. Vote on 8/23.
 - Role of SAC is to educate not advocate

Public Comments:

Michelle Langevin: Should find alternative ways to push out school announcements in addition to Facebook and newsletters. SAC Chair will research ideas and draft communication plan for consideration

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.



Our Schools. Our Community. Our Future.

A Referendum For Our Teachers And Students

Voters Will Decide On Aug. 23, 2022

OFFICIAL BALLOT LANGUAGE

DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AD VALOREM MILLAGE ELECTION

SHALL THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT LEVY AN AD VALOREM OPERATING MILLAGE OF 1 MILL ANNUALLY TO ATTRACT AND RETAIN HIGH-QUALITY TEACHERS AND STAFF THROUGH ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION, ENHANCE ART, MUSIC AND ATHLETIC PROGRAMS, AND PROVIDE PROPORTIONATE FUNDING FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS, IN ORDER TO CONTINUE AND SUSTAIN IMPROVEMENTS IN THE QUALITY OF DUVAL COUNTY'S SCHOOL SYSTEM.

YES, for additional millage	NO, against additional	millage
	:: 0, against against	

Why it's Needed

The national teacher shortage has created more than 400 unfilled teacher positions. Experienced, successful teachers earn salaries only slightly higher than first-year teachers. Because of this, many teachers are moving on to higher paying, less stressful careers. The 1-mill increase is primarily designed to retain experienced teachers, compensate support staff and enhance art, music and athletics.

Duval's Salary Rank

In average teacher salaries, Duval ranks 40th among Florida's 65 districts and last among the seven large urban districts in a state that ranks 48th in the nation. Duval ranks 50th among Florida districts in the percentage of experienced teachers in schools.

The Cost

One mill equals \$1 for every \$1,000 of assessed value, minus the \$25,000 homestead exemption. For example, a home with a value of \$300,000 will pay \$275 a year, or about \$23 a month.

Guaranteed Oversight

The citizen's Audit Advisory Committee will review expenditures and report to the public annually. The district is subject to multiple audits each year.

KEY DATES

JULY 25: DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE AUG. 8-21: EARLY VOTING AUG. 23: PRIMARY ELECTION DATE