



## LANE TECH COLLEGE PREP HIGH SCHOOL

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### Lane Tech High School Local School Council - Special Meeting

Following are the meeting minutes. Posted Meeting Agenda items are listed with the meeting minutes noted directly below.

Notice is hereby given that a Virtual Lane Tech LSC Special Meeting has been called Tuesday, July 14 immediately following the Organizational Meeting (around 6:30) In order to participate in the zoom meeting, please register:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83480763028?pwd=SUplcS9GVjZCdUVpUWNHb0FUMFdYZz09> (same link as the Organizational Meeting) If you want to submit a question or statement before meeting (HIGHLY SUGGESTED) please email [emilylanesc@gmail.com](mailto:emilylanesc@gmail.com) Subject line Lane July LSC, by Tuesday, July 14 @ 4:00

1. Call Meeting to Order

Emily Haiti called the July 14th special meeting to order at 6:36 PM.

2. Roll Call

**Present:** Catherine Ashlaw-Doherty, Dayana Bautista (6:38 PM), Maureen George, Katharine Gomez, Emily Haite (Chair), Anne Lokken, Patricia O'Keefe, Ana Scales, Laura Symons (Vice-Chair), Edwina Thompson (Principal), Dannixa Velez and Benjamin Wong.

**Absent:** (vacant Teacher Rep)

**Quorum Established**

3. Approve Agenda

**Motion:** To approve the July 14, 2021, Special Meeting

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Laura Symons

**Vote:** Unanimous, all in favor

**Result:** Motion Passes

4. Approve old minute(s)

**Motion:** To approve the June 14, Special Meeting Principal Selection and Special Closed Session Principal Selection Meeting

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Laura Symons

**Vote:** Unanimous, all in favor

**Result:** Motion Passes

5. Public Participation - 2 minutes each

None

6. Principal Report - Edwina Thompson

Continued to work with our CIWP goals; it involves instructions and relational trust, balance assessment, and training. The administrations are participating in the summer leadership institute: professional training focused on equity, SEL (social/emotional learning) for students and staff, and mental health support.

Staff members are reading "Grading for Equity" - PPLC led by Katie and Dan. Certain teachers and staff are either in the building or remote, to plan for the upcoming curriculum. We are hiring 27 staff members: due to retirement, changes within our district, or moving out of state. The department chairs and APs are involved in the process.

Launched IVS (Illinois Virtual School) courses, this summer for credit recovery. IVS is described as the opportunity to work online with a teacher, take a quiz, earn credit and a grade.

Increase the number of coaching positions in multiple areas.

In addition, the free SAT prep refresher course will be available for the first week of August. 207 students signed up. (See New Business under 'Funding')

Have a few summer programs. For the first time, LT has an Open Gym (funds). Emails were sent out to the LT community; coaches are hosting sessions for all students. Some of the team's sports are seasonal or contact hours, but just to name a few: soccer, boys and girls basketball, and cross country.

Sending out a survey on how the community would like us to prioritize funding and time with the Moving Forward Grant (MFG); where the teachers would like the admin to focus on PD (Equity/Professional Development). (See New Business/Funding)

Save the date: August 23 start date teachers, and August 30th, start date for students. Lane Tech wants to see every student, our goal is to re-engage families.

CPS has areas for vaccinations. The District will provide remote learning for extreme conditions, but CPS is handling that.

Bipoc committee: Dayanna collaborated with the group and worked on a theme with the director of Culture and Climate. They created two separate committees: advisory and BIPOC. Issues, concerns, and promotions within the school committees are the focus.

Dayanna: The first event will be awareness of mental health, returning to school, and feeling safe outside of areas, regarding Covid.

## 7. New Business:

### a. Update on budget and state funding

“OUT OF SCHOOL TIME FUNDING”: OST granted Lane **\$348,900.05** (FY) that includes staffing and admin cost (supplies) and 90% to staffing and vendors for programs for students. That is how we were able to provide Open Gyms and SAT prep and pay for tutoring. Must spend 15% of that amount to get the next installment. Will receive 4 installments in a year. Funds were provided by the federal government to the states, then to the schools.

Moving Forward Grant (MFG) fund allocation. Lane received a total of **\$562,750.00**. No more than 50% is to be used for positions and those positions have to be SEL-focused for students. The other 50% goes to student programming and needs, but cannot go to capital improvements, but can go towards replacing older tech.

Lane Tech will put together the survey to collect community input regarding the funds.

Principal Thomson asked if the LSC would like to appoint someone and report back to the LSC as a committee member.

The school will not spend all of this money. So for today, use these funds for positions to open now, and to get the ground running in August (SEL and not Core classroom teachers). Limited funding up to 2 (FY)years.

### b. Proposed 1-year positions:

College and Career Coach - Address post-secondary needs and could free up time for counselors to provide other SEL support; this would not remove the counselor position.

Community Relations Representative Position - Liaison performs community outreach, families, and re-engagement specialists. Reach out for business vendor out-sourced support for some of the SEL goals.

Security Position - Lane did not get the SRO funds as a school and the school is waiting to see if those unused funds are available. If not, still propose a security position and can use MFG.

A Point 2 overtime position - (.2) to lower class sizes in critical core courses and/or to identify areas based on student growth over time (does not result in job loss for teachers).

Discussion: Concerns for the position, for only a year, for the College and Career Counselor; conversely, hopes to develop a structure, the strategy moving forward, and to build a self-sustaining model. Perhaps maybe fundraised by Friends of Lane. SEL position getting an extra social worker but Principal Thompson suggested an option under "misc. employee category" to help with the SEL group.

**Motion:** To approve all three (one year only) positions proposed, and the .2 positions as needed by Principal Thompson.

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Benjamin Wong

**Vote:** Unanimous, all in favor

**Result:** Motion Passes

Cell Tower changes:

**Motion:** CPS has asked the LSC to approve the \$31K T-mobile and Verizon cell tower on LT property, and to extend our contract.

**By:** Edwina Thompson

**Second:** Emily Haite

**Vote:** Unanimous, all in favor

**Result:** Motion Passes

## 8. Announcements

Open gym this summer. Quick start August 17/18 and 19th. No change in student fees. August 30th First day of school.

## 9. Adjournment

**Motion:** To adjourn at 7:11 PM.

**By:** Emily Haite

**Second:** Laura Symons

**Vote:** Unanimous, all in favor

**Result:** Motion Passes

Respectfully submitted,  
Ana Scales  
LSC Secretary