

School Community Council Meeting Minutes

Oakcrest Elementary

March 3, 2025 @ 4:00-5:00 PM

Attendees/Council Members

Ken Westwood (Principal)

Travis Workman (Chair)

Parker Cluff (Vice-Chair)

Eric Pedersen (Parent)

Brandi Butler (Parent)

Lane Perkins (Parent)

Christa Banks (Parent)

Katie Zarogoza (Faculty)

Stephen Keith (Faculty)

Cynthia Anderson (Faculty)

LAND Trust plan 2025-2026

- Principal Westwood walked us through the draft he created for the LAND Trust plan. It contains a goal for increases in reading, with increases listed for specific to K-3 and 4-6.
- The LAND Trust as proposed would be used to hire/retain the number of literacy aids that Oakcrest has been using for the past years.
- Other assistants and leaders of rotations will come from other budgets.
- The group discussed how the budget for the 2025-2026 school year will be such that the computer rotation will be removed. This enables the other rotations, including music, to remain, as well as no further literacy or rotation aid reduction in other areas.
- One council member shared what they heard from other families in the community on this topic. Those families said they would like to see a change to the arts/music program at Oakcrest as a potential way to ease the budget for the school and maintain all existing camps/rotations.
- There was further discussion about options in arts other than music as a way to make budget work in the future.
- The council discussed how teachers covering computers would be an easier topic for them to cover versus doing art themselves. It was shared with the council that the computer rotation covers things like typing practice, research, digital arts, and programming. Teachers would have to be the ones to cover those topics in their classrooms with the removal of computers as a rotation.
- Another council member asked about the increase to LAND Trust funding that was recently approved by ballot. The council looked it up and that increase will come for the 2026-2027 school year.

- There was a unanimous vote to move forward with the plan for the LAND Trust as shared by Principal Westwood.

Daddy Daughter Dance

- Principal Westwood asked for feedback on the daddy daughter dance. Feedback was very positive. One council member shared that there was a bit of feedback given to the PTA about the name of the event and how it could exclude some. They've heard it, acknowledge it, and have made it clear on the announcement that *all* are invited and welcome to come participate.