**Medlock Bridge School Governance Council**

**Meeting Agenda – March 6, 2023 – 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

**Room 131**

Public may attend this meeting.

Open for public comment

Virtual Comment Box Available at Tinyurl.com/MBESSGCvirtualcommentbox

In attendance: Matt Vance, Terri Bryant, Ali Pardhan, Susan DeMint, Kim Hall, Sylvia Luu, Angel Jones, Megan Rios

**3:00 p.m. Call to Order**: Kim Hall calls to order.

**3:00 p.m. Action Item: Approve Meeting Agenda** Sylvia motions to approve, DeMint seconds.

**3:03 p.m. Discussion Item: Meeting Norms** Ms. Hall reviewed all norms

**3:50 p.m. Action Item: Approve February Meeting Minutes\*\*** Postponed until end of meeting. Jones approves, Rios seconds.

**3:06 p.m. Public Comment / Virtual Comment Box Summary:** Ms. Jones brought up that there is some issue with the public comment box not working without a Fulton County email address. We checked the link to make sure that it is working correctly.

**3:09 Moved for time conflict- Discussion Item: Outreach Committee Update:** Ms. Jones shared that the outreach committee has been meeting to align their work with our strategic plan. Specifically, the culture and climate pillar and the community and collaboration pillar. Ms. Bryant shares how the SGC has tied in several initiatives directly back to the strategic plan by approving budget dollars, approving substitute teachers for planning, added student info to parents’ nametags (1st performance), met with office of continuous improvement, reviewed 21-22 perception survey, met with PTO to foster family connections, suggested year end events, and engaged room parents to increase participation in 22-23 perception survey.

Items to consider for next year that are directly tied back to the annual perception survey-

\* Opportunities to engage further with multi-racial, latinx, and black families.

\* Opportunity to engage students more in decision making. Suggested to partner the students Gov’t and SGC. Ms. Hall tied her work with the Be the Voice and how impactful it has been to have the students take on leadership roles and decision making. Be the Voice is open to all students and allows for a wide demographic of students to be involved.

\* Advertise curriculum hub for parents during parent teacher conference time.

\*Opportunity to meet with media center to better understand selection process for resources and find out what efforts are currently being made to ensure representation.

\*Listening sessions to targeted groups

**3:34 p.m. Discussion Item: Principal’s Update**

1. **School Safety-** Audit on 3/5 was very complimentary. Good feedback on safety and teacher/student relations.
   1. **Spending Updates-** Gym padding is expected to be delivered this week to be installed by the district. Window wraps are almost complete.We will be a CTAE pilot school next year. This is a fully funded position that will be a special.
   2. **Discussion-**
2. **PTO Update – Guest Speaker on Upcoming Events-** kindergarten round up is back 3/15. Art night is 3/29, and 4/13 international night.

**3:43 p.m. Discussion Item: Remaining budget updates-**

\*Staff development days will wrap up the SGC budget this year

Ms. Hall inquired about replacement blinds with any remaining dollars.

Mr. Vance is going to check on projectors (does Fulton replace? Any word on new ones?)

**4:00 p.m.**

1. **Elections**

**3:51 p.m. Discussion Item: Set Next Meeting Agenda, Date, and Time:**

April 10 @ 3:00

We will set up a summer meeting this year.

Follow up on projectors, blinds, boards.

**4:30 p.m. Action: Meeting Adjournment** Bryant motions, Jones seconds

All new governance council members must attend training and non-FCS employees must be background checked (these checks occur on-site during trainings). New members can sign-up for governance training by visiting: [Charter System (SGC) / Training Sessions (fultonschools.org)](https://www.fultonschools.org/Page/7356)



Medlock Bridge Elementary School Governance Council Norms

**ALL MEETINGS**

**Participation:** There should be no texting, internet surfing, or emailing during the meeting. Only purposeful use of technology is permitted. In addition, only in the case of emergencies, should calls be made or answered.   
**Time:** All must be respectful that every meeting begin and end on time.

**Listening and discussion:** Members must follow the agenda and stay on point. Also, it is critical to be respectful of each other and assume good will regarding discussions and comments. It is also important to take turns during disunion and only one person speak at a time.

**Expectations:** Members should remember that outside the meetings they should speak with one voice when discussing the council’s final decision on matters.

**Public Comment:** Every meeting will reserve a portion of time for public comment.

**Virtual Meetings ONLY**

**Cameras and Microphones:** Turning on cameras during meeting will be the option of the SGC member.Microphones should remain muted until the member is speaking on a topic.

**Voting:** Voting will take place in the MS Teams Chat whenever possible. When not possible, the voting member will communicate their vote to the SGC Chair.

**Speakers List:** To reduce communication delays and confusion, The SGC Chair (or designee) will establish a Speakers List per topic and will identify speakers when it is their turn to speak. Members will use the chat to request to be on the Speakers List.

**Public Comment:** The Q/A function of MS Teams will be used to provide the community with the opportunity for public comment. If comments are shared after the time for public comment is up, then the comments will be held over for next meeting.

**FACE TO FACE MEETINGS ONLY**

**Seating:** All council members should make every effort to sit in an alternating parent/staff pattern.