

Free Home Elementary

School Council Meeting

April 19, 2022

1. Call to Order – 7:04 AM. Those in attendance were Kristin Hornsby, Jay Wallace, Lacy Savage, Becky Chimera, Krissy Cloud, Courtney Lott virtually, and Principal Julie Peppers.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Agenda – unanimous acceptance vote
4. Approval of prior meeting notes from 2/8/22
5. Report of the Principal
 - a. Enrollment Update – 2019/2020 had 287 students, 2020/2021 had 283, and 2021/2022 has 301.
 - b. Covid-19 Response – cases are currently quite low. The county posts cases each Friday.
 - c. Cognia – the interview process is complete and went well.
 - d. Election Planning – elections for next year’s council are currently being held, and will end this Friday at 3:00.
 - e. Mrs. Cloud gave an update that benchmarks and easyCBM tests wrap up this week. They do these in August, December, and April, and helps to plan for the next year. The PBIS program has gone well, and all enjoyed the face to face celebration. There will be one more celebration for the 4th quarter.
 - f. Upcoming events – 1st grade field trip is coming up this week, so now every grade level has had an off campus field trip this year. Milestones are coming up the last week of April for 3rd grade, first week of May for 4th grade, and the second week of May for 5th grade. PTA is providing care packages for teachers and students. Field Days will be May 18 (K-2nd) and May 19 (3rd-5th) and will include some new activities used by Coach’s grant money. Awards Days will be going on the last week of school. Creekview Seniors will walk through Free Home on May 23. May 24 will be a Digital Learning Day, 5th grade awards will be May 26, and there will be no ASP on May 24 and 27th.
 - g. Exciting News – Bingo was the most successful on record, earning \$5000. The Beta bake sale raised \$750 which was donated to St. Jude. PTA will be getting new tables and chairs. Faculty and Staff Appreciation week was amazing, with PTA setting up breakfasts, lunches, and goodies throughout the week. 18 students were in Canton for the county Art Show, with students in all grade levels working together. Mrs. Davis was also celebrated as Teacher of the Year. The Science Olympiad team will be competing in the state tournament on May 7 at Kennesaw State, based on their performance in the county competition. The Academic Bowl team was the Region 4

winner in the competition this past Saturday. 2022/2023 Kindergarten Registration has been going on, our students enjoyed a Rep Tour by Elm St. Studio, with Horton Hears a Who, where K-2nd wrote stories, and 3rd-5th submitted stories and acted them out. The new school update is on schedule. Projected groundbreaking is set to begin in Oct/Nov 2022.

6. Adjournment – meeting was adjourned at 7:40 AM after thanking those who have served on this year’s council.