



Cherokee County School District
School Council
Meeting Minutes Notes

Ball Ground STEM Academy
School Council
10/6/2022

MEETING CALLED BY	Melinda Roulier
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular Meeting
PRINCIPAL	Melinda Roulier
NOTE TAKER	Lisa Grella
MEMBERS PRESENT	Melinda Roulier, Amy Gay, Ben Reilly, Jennifer Goodwin, Lisa Grella, Amy Youngblood, Beth Bentley
GUESTS PRESENT	Karen Jordan, Dennis Nelson, Kendall Parker, Walker Hammond, Charlotte Gaines

Agenda Items

TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Call to Order	• 2:52 • Pledge of Allegiance led by Tribal Council students
Report of the Principal	• Introductions • School Advisory Council Training • Review and adoption of Leadership Qualities of the Principal • Review of SY 22-23 School Improvement Plan and STEM Accreditation plans. • Review of Average Daily Attendance Report and impact of current strategies designed to improve attendance rate. Rate has increased by 3.5% from August of last year. • Review of 20-Day Enrollment Report. We have increased in enrollment by 35 students compared to the August enrollment from 2021. • Review of Critical Overcrowding Annual Report. Ball Ground remains well below max capacity at 49%.
Additional Topics of Discussion	• Cafeteria Share Table-This is something that was done before Covid, but has not been restarted since the lift of restrictions. Mrs. Roulier will work with cafeteria staff and counselors to get this started again. • Morning Car Rider Line-Parents shared frustration regarding parents who avoid the car rider line and instead pull into the parking lot and walk their child across the crosswalk. While we give priority to cars during morning arrival time, this still slows the process for those who are trying to follow the procedures. Mrs. Roulier will put another reminder in the Tribe Tribune about morning Car Rider procedures. • High-Five Fridays-We are planning to try to get a program going where parents and community partners sign up to give students fist bumps or high-fives as students arrive from cars and buses. • Partnership with CVHS-Mrs. Gay offered to reach out to the sponsor of the Reading with a Buddy Program to get HS students to come to Ball Ground to read with our students. This is taking place at the other zone schools, but not Ball Ground. We are farther away so there will need to be some collaboration between BGSA and CVHS to ensure the HS students are not penalized if they



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	need to be late to school. • Friday Ice Cream Sales-Request was made to bring this back. This was previously run by the cafeteria, but the current cafeteria staff do not plan to run this program so Mrs. Roulier has reached out to a Hershey's rep to get this started again. We will need parent volunteers to help and will develop a sign-up genius for volunteers to sign up. • Business Partnerships-We are working diligently to rebuild our community partnerships that suffered during the Covid restrictions. Mrs. Marble has established STEM Stakeholders (parents) that volunteer each week to help support our STEM initiatives. Mrs. Heard, Mrs. Roach, Mrs. Marble, and Mrs. Dunn work collaboratively to identify potential partners and have dates already planned to foster these relationships. The Partner-Up Event on 10/13 was shared with school council and the Ball Ground community through social media.
Upcoming Dates	• End of Q1 – 10/7/2022 • Student Holiday – 10/10/22 • 1st Tribal Assembly – 10/13/22 • CCSD Special Olympics – 10/14/22 • Fall Festival – 11/4/22 from 6-9pm • Veterans' Day Program – 11/11/22 at 8am • Ball Ground March of Toys Parade – 12/2/22

Closing Items

MEETING ADJOURNED	• 4:23 PM
NEXT MEETING DATE	• 12/8/2022