

**School Governance Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, February 6, 2023 @ 6:00 - 7:00 PM via Zoom**

In Attendance: Shakirah Brodnick, Jackie Church, Allison DiCrosta, Rhonda Johnson (teacher), Christine Simon-Patafio, Laura Rodriguez, Tameka Sims, Rhonda Smith Johnson, Shaquetta Wilson, Courtney Zinn

Agenda Item	Notes
Welcome, Icebreaker, and Norms	<p>Welcome Courtney Zinn (parent) to the School Governance Council.</p> <p>Norms listed below</p>
<p>Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Principal Updates</li> <li>● PTA</li> <li>● Parent Involvement - Concert Attendance and World Read Aloud Day</li> </ul>	<p>Principal Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 6th grade Career Day next week - two guest speakers per day including the mayor, superintendent, parents, and a community leader. Next year, the whole school will have guest speakers..</li> <li>● Feb 15th - PTA - dance of India</li> <li>● May 25th - 1st-5th grades - Shubert Theatre - to see the Magic School Bus</li> <li>● After school Jeff program is coming in a couple of weeks.</li> </ul> <p>PTA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Our next PTA Meeting will be held on Wednesday February 8, 2023 (via Zoom)</li> <li>● Our QU PTA sponsored basketball game is Sunday February 5th at 2PM.</li> <li>● For the remainder of February and March we have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Kathak Dance of India February 15, 2023 9AM Assembly</b> rescheduled from January</li> <li>○ <b>Butter Braid Fundraiser</b> orders are due by February 28, 2023; pickup will be on March 23; 3:00 - 5:30PM</li> <li>○ <b>Someone Special Dance</b> will be held on Friday March 3, 2023</li> <li>○ <b>PTA Spring afterschool enrichment programming</b> Programs will be offered on Tuesday afternoons starting in March for five weeks. Program dates:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 4; 3:15 - 4:15 p.m. - Krav Maga, Art, STEM, Yoga, Flag Football, Basketball. Forms need to be handed in by Feb 17th. Cost \$50 PTA members, \$60 non PTA - 10% sibling discount.</p> <p>Parent Involvement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Our winter concert was on January 23rd. The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade choir, band, and orchestra entertained the entire school body. There were also 32 parents in attendance.</li> <li>● Dunbar celebrated World Read Aloud Day on Feb 1<sup>st</sup> by inviting guest readers into the K-6<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms. It was nice to have 12 parents, 3 staff members, and our principal share the love of reading with our students.</li> </ul>
<p>Upcoming Engagement Initiatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Community Partner Search (**), ongoing</li> <li>● Someone Special Dance (PTA), 3/3/23</li> <li>● Report Card Conferences (**), 3/9, 3/10, 3/13/23.</li> <li>● Family Game Night (Allison, Tameka, Courtney, Rhonda SJ), 3/31/23</li> <li>● Talent Showcase (Morale/ Fundraising Committee), 5/19/23</li> </ul> <p>( ) - Chair people; they will need several volunteers to run the event (**) - Need volunteers to chair this initiative</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● We are still looking for volunteers to chair the community partner search and report card conferences.</li> </ul>
<p>Attendance Initiative</p> <p>What ideas do you have to encourage attendance and being on time?</p>	<p>District attendance policy - During the course of the year, a student can have up to 10 days unexcused absences.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Call parents 1 on 1 to create a dialogue about attendance and ask if they need assistance.</li> <li>● Send information to parents regarding the importance of attending school. Share the information with students too.</li> <li>● In the upper grades, create a peer buddy system to encourage kids to attend school regularly.</li> <li>● Parent liaisons can conduct parent-to-parent meetings to discuss impediments to attendance.</li> </ul>

	<p>This may help the parents who may not feel comfortable talking to school staff.</p>
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- Create random surprise days to encourage attendance (ex. Lucky tray day)

Minutes submitted by Rhonda Smith Johnson

**Norms:** \*Actively participate in council meetings and school activities.. \*One voice at a time.

\*Respect each other's input. \*Start and end on time.

**Roles:**

- Chairperson-Rhonda Johnson (teacher)
- Secretary - Rhonda Smith Johnson (parent)
- Committee Liaison-Christine Patafio
- PTA Member- Shakira Brodnick (parent)
- Timekeeper - rotating
- Members - everyone on council
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**2022-2023 Meeting Dates - 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month @ 6-7 PM on Zoom**

3/6/23, 4/3/23, 5/1/23, and 6/5/23