



Woodland Elementary School School Governance Council

OCTOBER MINUTES

October 24th, 2023

7:30 AM

Via Microsoft Teams

Meeting called to order at 7:30am by the SGC Chair, Lisa Loff.

Mrs. Loff asked for a substitute parliamentarian to capture minutes for the meeting, as the SGC parliamentarian was not present. Mrs. Royal served as the substitute parliamentarian.

Action Items

Mrs. Loff requested members to review the shared agenda.

The SGC team motioned to approve the October agenda.

Motion was approved for the meeting agenda.

The SGC team motioned to approve the September meeting minutes.

Motion was approved for the September meeting minutes.

Discussion Item: Charter Dollar Expenditures

Mrs. Loff asked members if anyone had any proposals for the school charter dollars.

No proposals were made.

Informational Item: Principal Update

+ Enrichment programs have started.

1. Extended Day offers remedial support for students in grades 2nd-5th, taught by Woodland teachers.
2. Little Scholars K-2, a program taught by Little Scholars staff.
3. Sandy Springs Mission, support ELL students K-2, student support has been extended to WES teachers, funded by Sandy Springs Mission

+ Parent Academies

1. Mental Health, building and enhancing mental health for Children, host was Chris 180
2. Literacy Parent Academy, Nov. 8th-10th

+ Red Ribbon week is this week.

+School Visitation

1. Zone 4 principals will be here on Thursday Oct. 26th to meet and visit classes.
2. STEM update: As a STEM school, we have tours where visitors from across the state can sign up and witness what happens with STEM at Woodland. The State Superintendent shared during the

banner ceremony a new certification in STREM which adds reading in STEM. Woodland is not pursuing that at this time. Woodland is working to build momentum with STEM.

+Community Meeting

1. Nov. 15th 9:30-10:00 with Morancie Board representative for Woodland attendance Zones Meeting is in person and go over items discussed at board meeting.

+Campus Communication

1. Toomer shared about communication that was sent out concerning an incident of a unknown pedestrian on the campus seeking help. Came Local law enforcement was contacted immediately. Administration worked to communicate with staff and law enforcement to assess the building and secure the safety of the campus. The situation was handled, and the school day resumed as normal.

Ms. Toomer discussed ways to better communicate with staff when there is a safety concern, such as a mass text to updated staff.

+Literacy Update

1. The plan is to launch One School One Book after the Book Fair (second semester).

Discussion Items: New Member Committee Assignments, Set SY23-24 Council Initiatives; align with semester action plan, & SGC Website Audit

Ms. Loff checked in with new committee members and discussed the committees' roles and responsibilities. One more member is needed for the principal selection committee, Kelly Chartash volunteered to join that committee and joined the outreach council. Ms. Toomer shared that Ms. Pasini was interested in serving on a committee, Mrs. Loff said she would reach out to her.

The council discussed initiatives that would align with the semester action plan.

Ms. Toomer explained the strategic plan. The plan is to reduce students' absences, which is in connection to relationships and routines with FCS. Recognition is given each month for the class that has good attendance.

+Decrease number of students that are on level 1 with GMAS, this aligns Tier 1 instruction.

+Decrease ELL students performing at level 1 in GMAS Reading.

+Administration team is looking at unit assessment results that allows them to see students' progress and performance. Teachers' instructional practices can be supported by instructional coaches.

Discussed Partners in Literacy, individuals coming in to read with students. Mr. Lora shared that Sandy Springs Mission can support with the partners in Literacy vision.

SGC initiative Focus: Improve Literacy and Math outcomes for students.

Informational Item: Mrs. Loff attended parent community meeting and shared updates.

+ New law passed that district had to share emergency operation plan that must be updated annually. Parents were able to share their thoughts and input on the emergency operation plan.

+ Build recognition, communication and transparency across the district.

+ High school graduation rate at 90%

+ Working on a replacement for iReady

SGC Feedback Form parent community meeting

+ Woodland completed 2 safety plans. One for the school and one for the state.

Next Meeting will cover Nov. and December due to the short month.

Next Meeting Nov. 28th

8:07 am am Meeting Adjourned