



Meeting Date: January 8, 2020
 Meeting Time: 4:00pm
 Location: RHS Media Center

Meeting Minutes

Council Member	Attendance
Elected Parent: Erika Lewis	Yes
Elected Parent: Dr. Khalilah Williams	Yes
Appointed Staff: Laura Hunter	Yes
Student: Abby Brown	No
Student: Will Foster	No
Student: David Lemon	Yes
Principal: Dr. Robert Shaw	Yes
Elected Staff: Lashonta Flemister	Yes
Appointed Community: Deb Martino	Yes
Elected Staff: Val Pettit	Yes
Elected Parent: Darlene Trigg	No
Appointed Staff: Amanda Brickhouse	Yes
Appointed Community: Dylan Penick	Yes

Guest(s) in attendance:

Lee Hills
 Amy Billings
 Liz Rains

Call to order: 4:04 P.M.

Edits to agenda:

None

Approval of agenda

First: Laura Hunter	Second: Deb Martino	Approved unanimously
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Approval of meeting minutes

- A correction was made to the November 20, 2019 meeting minutes. For the Stadium Cleanup vote there was one abstention. The vote was not approved unanimously. The minutes will be revised to include this correction and will be approved at the next meeting.

Principal Update:

- Roswell High School has been recognized as a “Beating the Odds School”. Dr. Shaw extended his appreciation to all of the teachers for their hard work and dedication that went into helping the school earn this recognition.
- Dr. Shaw extended appreciation to the PTSA for providing the staff with their holiday party as well as for all of their additional support.
- Marquee update: The district has allocated the money to put in the power needed. The project is moving along as expected.
- Branding and Grounds Improvement Update: The administration will walk the grounds with PTSA members to discuss exactly what improvements will be done and how it will coincide with construction that is expected to begin in the summer. The grounds improvements will also start in the summer so that the teachers and students can return to a nice new stadium façade.
- Mental Health Speaker: We will revisit the idea of allocating funds for a mental health speaker at a later date. This would possibly be a good idea to coincide with Suicide Prevention Month in September.
- Bilingual Liaison: This year money has been allocated for two bilingual liaisons. With two bilingual liaisons, RHS is able to work more with students and parents who do not speak English. The additional liaison position costs \$38,000. It is possible for the SGC to help with funding for the second bilingual liaison for next school year. However the administration will do everything possible to absorb the cost. This will be up for further discussion if needed.
- Budget: Dr. Shaw is required to have the school’s budget set by March 13th. (Therefore, the SGC will have to come together to approve the budget prior to that date).
- Forthcoming emails: In February, emails will be sent out to parents regarding graduation information and a survey about exam exemption.

Public Comment:

- Public protocol was reviewed by Erika Lewis.
- Lee Hills commented that she spoke to several parents and that every parent that she spoke to was in favor of having a regular school day on April 21, 2020. Additionally she will speak with the head of the counseling department and the school social worker regarding potential mental health speakers. When we decide on a date, we can narrow down possible speakers.
- The administration recommends that we have school on April 21st because we are not a polling place and it is the first week of testing. If we take a de off in the middle of the testing week, it will disrupt the flow of testing.
- The district has allocated ½ of a counselor position to manage mental health issues at RHS. This part-time position has been filled by a PhD student at Georgia State.

RFF Digital Date Vote:

Motion to finalize to have school on 4/21/20: LaShonta Flemister

Second: Deb Martino

Unanimously approved

- The RFF form will be completed and forwarded to Freddie Benschine.

Student Update:

- Everything is going well. There are no student comments or concerns.

Chair Update:

- Strategic Monitoring Tool: Laura Hunter will meet with Freddie Benschine to look at the benchmarks that the SGC are already using the see if we want to change anything to measure our effectiveness more accurately.
- Upcoming Elections: Please spread the word to staff members, teachers, parents and community members. There will be four open positions next school year.
- Future SGC Board Items: Erika recommends that we consider making it a top priority to allocate funds to the second bilingual liaison and the mental health speaker. These funds, of course, are dependent on amount of money that the SGC is allocated from the district.

Budget and Finance Committee Update:

- LaShonta Flemister is attending a grant application/writing training with Freddie Benschine.
- LaShonta has been in contact with the Office of Grant Development to start moving towards applying for grants that will provide more funds for the SGC.
- Funds from these grants could potentially be used for resources like the mental health speaker and the bilingual liaison.

Communications Committee Update:

- SGC elections are coming up. We are advertising open positions on the website. We hope to also advertise on the marquee when it is up and running.
- We are seeking people to get involved. A person does not have to hold an official position in order to work on a project (ie: helping with a grant application).
- Please keep your ears open and talk to people about the role of the SGC. Encourage others to get involved.

Next meeting date: February 26, 2020

Upcoming Agenda items:

- Approve school budget
- Strategic Monitoring Tool
- Student Mental Health Speaker

Adjourn at: 4:36 P.M.

First: Dylan Penick	Second: Laura Hunter	Approved unanimously
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