

Sandy Springs Charter Middle School School Governance Council: Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 21, 2020
7:45-8:20 AM
Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Members in Attendance

Laurie Woodruff [Principal], Petrina Hill [Chair], Austin Lawhead [Vice Chair], Mary Frost [Parliamentarian], Katherine Schuessler, Neil Hytowitz, Tashema Atkinson, Melanie Couchman, Marisa Baert (newly elected), Jan Jackson

Action Items:

Item	Approved or Denied
Action Item: Call to Order	Hytowitz Motion, Frost 2 nd Approved
Action Item: Motion to Approve Agenda	Schuessler Motion, Frost – 2 nd Approved with the correction of the date Frost to update on website as well.
Action Item: Approve March Meeting Minutes	Frost Motion, Atkinson – 2 nd Approved
Action Item: Meeting Adjournment	Couchman Motion, Hytowitz – 2 nd Approved

Informational Items, Discussion Items and Follow-up Actions:

Discussion Item: Council Surveys - Council Self-Assessment (all council members take) - Principal Feedback Survey (all but principal takes)	Council members to complete surveys by 4/26.
Discussion Item: Newly Elected Member Introductions	Marisa Baert was here to introduce herself as the newly elected teacher representative. Flor Mauricio Santos is our newly elected parent representative.
Discussion Item: SGC Resources	Ms. Frost took the council through an overview of the SGC resources on the school and district website. Transition Protocol to be conducted at the next meeting.
Discussion Item: Charter Funds	Allocated money for water bottle filling stations as well as facilities update; funds for new teacher chairs, standing desks, tables /w umbrellas for courtyard, internal and external signage, furniture updates to the front office (shifting old seating to counseling suite). Items beginning to come in and be set up in the school.
Informational Item: Principal's Update - Charter Funds - Spring Testing Updates	21k left to spend. The council shared many ideas about potential ways to spend these funds with an emphasis on students and resources directly used by them. Discussed sending out another teacher survey to see other ideas that the staff may have for spending funds. iReady April 26 Diagnostic Test leading up to Milestones. Georgia Milestones – 2 weeks with 1 test per day (first week of May). Also many options for virtual students: either to come in during the regularly scheduled school day or after school. Count for 1/100 th of a percent for high school credit courses which would impact student grades.
Discussion Item: Set Next Meeting Agenda	Transition Protocol for new SGC Members. Discuss how to spend remaining Charter funds. Update from NSHS on their design thinking project. Ms. Couchman's Vox Team Communications initiative report.

Public Comment – No one was present to request public comment.

Future Meeting Dates:

- May 19, 2021