Sandy Springs Charter Middle School School Governance Council: Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 19, 2021 7:45-8:20 AM Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Members in Attendance

Laurie Woodruff [Principal], Austin Lawhead, Mary Frost, Katherine Schuessler, Neil Hytowitz, Marisa Baert, Flor Maurico-Santos

Action Items:

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| Action Item: Call to Order | Hytowitz – Motion, Schuessler – 2 nd | Approved |
| Action Item: Motion to Approve Agenda | Schuessler – Motion, Lawhead – 2 nd | Approved |
| Action Item: Approve May Meeting Minutes | Lawhead – Motion, Hytowitz – 2 nd | Approved |
| Action Item: Finalize SY 21-22 Council Makeup | Schuessler – Motion, 2 nd Hytowitz | Approved |
| | New chairs and committees were selecte | ed. |
| | [Chair] Mary Frost [Vice Chair] Austin Lawhead [Parliamentarian] Marisa Baert | |
| | <u>Budget & Finance</u> -Marisa Baert -Mary Frost | |
| | <u>Communications & Outreach</u> -Hytowitz (Lead) -Maurico-Santos -Schuessler | |
| | Principal Selection -Schuessler (Lead) -Neil Hytowitz | |
| Action Item: Meeting Adjournment | Hytowitz – Motion, Lawhead – 2 nd | Approved |

Informational Items, Discussion Items and Follow-up Actions:

| Discussion Item: Review Meeting Norms | Work for the good of all students | |
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| | Be patient and open-minded | |
| | Create an atmosphere of fairness and respect. | |
| Discussion Item: Strategic Plan / Strategic Plan Monitoring Tool | Strategic plan written 5 years ago with district aligned goals. | |
| | Want to keep the monitoring tool as a standing agenda-item so we can | |
| | frequently revisit our progress. This is the last year of our strategic | |
| | plan – a new one will be created this year. | |
| | Title 1 Plan to emulate the school strategic plan so all school goals can | |
| | be aligned. Teacher goals will align to both (literacy). | |
| Discussion Item: Review SGC Website | Frost gave an overview of the council website and website compliance. | |
| Discussion Item: Review SGC Annual Calendar | | |
| - New Member Training | New Member Training – Hytowitz; New Officer training for Frost and | |
| - Register for Officer Training | Baert. | |
| Informational Item: Principal's Update | School got off to a great start. Enrolled 836 students. Saw biggest | |
| | decline in 6 th grade, with 7 th grade being our largest. | |
| | "Start with Hello" campaign going on; part of Sandy Hook Promise | |
| | relationship-building program for beginning the school year. Teachers have worked with students to | |
| | Curriculum Night – Sept 1; held virtually. Opening Session will include admin, counseling staff and connections, leading into breakouts for each grade level. | |
| | Annual Title 1 meeting; Sept 21 held via Teams to review our Title 1 plan with parents and stakeholders. PTO update at the beginning of the meeting. Potentially, SGC could also | |

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

Future Meeting Dates:

- September 15
 Other dates forthcoming