

Sandy Springs Charter Middle School
School Governance Council: Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

7:45-8:20 AM

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Members in Attendance
Laurie Woodruff- Principal, Tashema Atkinson, Neil Hytowitz, Jeffery Lawhead, Flor Mauricio-Santos, Katherine Schuessler, Mary Frost, Marisa Baert

Action Items:

Item	Approved or Denied
Action Item: Call to Order	Baert- Motion, Flor- 2 nd Approved
Action Item: Approve Agenda	Schuessler- Motion, Hytowitz- 2 nd Approved
Action Item: Approve November Meeting Minutes	Hytowitz- Motion, Schuessler- 2 nd Approved
Action Item: Meeting Adjournment	Flor- Motion, Hytowitz- 2 nd Approved

Informational Items, Discussion Items and Follow-up Actions:

Discussion Item: Design Thinking Activity (Release time?)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pausing on implementing Design Thinking schoolwide due to schedule conflicts in December. Looking to begin the process toward the beginning of January. Council should wrap up interviews.
Informational Item: Principal's Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calendar change for semester 2—late start is moving to early release days. January 24 will be the first day that this change takes place. Monday, the 13, SSCMS had 2 prospective parent meetings—one in person and one virtual. There will be two more—one in January and one in February. Mrs. Woodruff has received positive feedback from the families in attendance. SGA sponsored dress down days the week leading up to winter break. Students and staff have really enjoyed this—around 80% of people in the building have been participating. On Thursday, 12/16, the school will have PBIS Celebrations on each grade level. Our PTO is hosting the Dessert Social for staff leading up to winter break. Mrs. Woodruff sent a follow-up letter to parents and staff about school safety in response to Dr. Looney's communication with the district. Mrs. Woodruff outlined what the school is doing to maintain a safe environment; she also included what parents could do to be proactive in helping maintain this environment, as well. City of Sandy Springs—Mrs. Woodruff has a follow-up meeting this week. The CSS is sponsoring a new

	basketball court at the school. The project is set to start at the end of January.
Discussion Item: Set Next Meeting Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Design Thinking—Next Steps

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

Future Meeting Dates:

- January 19
- February 16
- March 23
- April 20
- May 11