



**School Governance Council**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

November 15, 2023, 6:00PM, Microsoft TEAMS Live

**SGC MEMBERS PRESENT:** John Young(Chair), Briana Houston(Vice-Chair), Brittaniqua Haley(Parliamentarian), Arnisha Canty (Principal); Ms.Long (Assistant Principal), Samantha Alexander (Parent), Joshua Martinez(Teacher), Yazmin Hicks (Teacher), Karissa Reid-Charles(Teacher), Fawn Bell-Palmer (Community Member), Keesha Leopold (Parent), Nathalie Dames (Parent)

**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE ON THE AGENDA:** Meeting Call to Order, Adopt Agenda, Review Meeting Norms, Approve Minutes, Council Funding Balance, SGC Initiatives, Principal Updates, Next Meeting Date, Meeting Adjournment

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:04PM by Mr. Young.

**ADOPT AGENDA:** Dr. Dames motioned to adopt the agenda. Ms. Bell-Palmer seconds the motion. All members were in favor. Meeting agenda adopted.

**APPROVE MINUTES:** Ms. Reid-Charles motioned to adopt the October minutes. Mrs. Bell-Palmer seconds the motion, all members were in favor.

**SY 23-24 Steam initiatives**

**STEAM Certification:** Items for 3-5 STEM Lab have been ordered. We will still need to gather STEAM items for K-2 students as we work towards STEAM certification.

**Parent Participation:** Parent resource room is not in use. There are resources for people to check out, but no one knows that it is there. We are thinking of having a few days a month where we offer parents beverages and have resources out for parents to see. There has been talk of moving the parent resource room from the current location to the PTA room that has a half door. Maybe we can design a pop up to advertise the resources provided in the parent resource rooms.

**Mindfulness/Sensory Room:** Converting room next to Ms. Long's office. This will allow students needing a break or calming space. This will allow students to have some reflection time as needed as well. Ideas for items to include in the space were shared. Loose items may be stored close in the office space. Mr. Martinez also suggested that it would be great to provide each classroom with a set of sensory tools for a calming corner.

A motion to adopt this project will mean that we will explore the possibility of funding this project.

Motion to adopt the mindfulness/sensory room was set. Ms. Alexander motions. Mr. Martinez seconds. All members voted in favor.

### **Discussion/Action Item**

**Operating Funds Update:** We received funds from the Booster Fundraiser. Update of the funds available was shared.

**Student Club Support:** Each club will submit a list of items needed. We will be able to purchase these items through the SGC funds. Budget committee will meet to review the lists and costs.

### **Stakeholder Townhall**

No stakeholders presents.

### **Discussion Item: Announcements**

District 4 Community Meeting information takeaways were shared. Topics discussed included school building development and renovations. The new calendar proposal was a big discussion.

### **Next Agenda:**

Finalize STEAM projects  
Review Charter dollars  
Update from principal  
Presentation of budget

**NEXT MEETING:** January 17 at 6:00pm.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Motion to adjourn meeting was brought by Ms. Alexander. Mrs. Bell-Palmer seconds the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:51PM.

*Recorder: Brittaniqua Haley*