



School Governance Council
MEETING MINUTES

March 14, 2022 1:30PM, via Microsoft TEAMS Live

SGC MEMBERS PRESENT: Chadwick Dow (Chair); John Young (Vice Chair); Nathalie Dames (Parliamentarian); Ms. Freeman (Principal), Karissa Reid, Terrona Collins and Yazmin Hick

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE ON THE AGENDA: Meeting Call to Order, Approve Agenda, Approve February's Meeting, Superintendent Advisory Committee, Teacher of the Year Celebration, Teacher Appreciation, Set Next Meeting Agenda, Meeting Adjournment

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Dow called the meeting to order at 1:31PM, to call the meeting to order at 1:31PM. First by Ms. Reid and seconded by Ms. Collins.

APPROVED AGENDA: Mr. Dow reviewed the agenda items. Mr. Dow asked for a motion to approve the agenda. First by Mrs. Reid. Second Dr. Dames

February MINUTES: The minutes for February were reviewed. Motion to approve initiated by Mr. Dow. Mr. Young First. Ms. Collins Second. minutes adopted.

Superintendent Advisory Committee: Review of the grading policy. Questions arose regarding staff shortages. The attrition rate is high, the profession is losing teachers. Discussion over calendar, but calendar was already approved. Question raised related to the calendar included more breaks for teachers/staff without affecting instructional time. Georgia Milestone was discussed. Since it is not required. They are discouraging parents from removing students from the process but there is nothing that we can do. Cliffondale needs everyone to take the Milestones. This is the baseline for points rewarded to the school. Points are deducted from school if students do not take the test. We are prepared for the Milestones and the students are ready for the test. It serves as a tool to assist the school with planning. Some information will be placed in the newsletter about the importance of student's taking the Milestones. The majority of the teachers are planning to remain at Cliffondale next year. There are 3 openings and all positions are likely to be filled by the summer.

Teach of the year Celebration: This event will be held on Friday March 18th. SGC is catering the dinner and desserts. Ms. Powell is the teacher of the Year and Ms. Long is the staff member of the year.

Teacher Appreciation: The district frowns on giving teacher gift cards. The teacher can do an amazon wish list and submit to Ms. Blake. There are approximate 48 teachers. The spa day idea was presented. Ms. Hicks, Mr. Dow and others will investigate the cost of the spa coming to the school. SGC want to have a catered box lunch one day. Mr. Young will offer coffee, donuts. We should plan a calendar of events for the week. Suggestions included: Spa day, Ice cream day, Game day, and kickball day.

Fun Run: There was a little hiccup with some paperwork that needs to be completed. Until the paperwork is complete, we cannot move forward. Email was sent to the teachers to get the student t-shirt sizes. Staff sizes were also received. A mockup of the t-shirt was presented. Mr. Young is working on getting sponsors for the t-shirt. 2 sponsors have donated \$750 each. Community partners will be highlighted in the weekly newsletter and via a banner to be housed in the school. We will need donations of water.

NEXT MEETING: April 19th at 6pm.

AGENDA ITEMS: Principal Update, Title I information, Teacher Appreciation Recap, Discuss New SGC members, Fun Run,

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Mr. Dow Moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:14 PM. First by Dr. Dames and Second by Ms. Hicks. Meeting adjourned.

Recorder: Nathalie Dames