



School Governance Council
MEETING MINUTES

October 20, 2021, 6:00PM, 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 September's Meeting, Reading Order, Math Order, Principal Updates, Recess, Superintendent Advisory Committee, Trunk or Treat, Set Next Meeting Agenda, Meeting Adjournment

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Dow moved to call the meeting to order at 6:10PM. First by Dr. Dames and seconded by Mr. Young.

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

September MINUTES: The minutes for September were reviewed. Mr. Young Moved to Approve. Mr. Dow First. Ms. Reid Second. minutes adopted.

READING and Math ORDER: The board approved the purchase of the math and reading items. The order was sent. And many of the items were received. Teachers are using the items and they are working well. The books were received.

PRINCIPAL UPDATES:

ESPLOST: On the ballot Nov 2nd. Allows for upgrades to building and technology. QR codes in the parent newsletter for additional information on how the money could be used.

COVID: One covid exposure since middle of September. Parents continue to report exposures. At home kits were available to those that registered. About 20 parents signed up for them. Community will be made aware if more become available.

Academic updates: Goals for the school year were reviewed. Pre and post test scores were as follows for the first 9 weeks:

ELA

2nd grade 18.6%-59.1%

3rd Grade: 28.9%-66%

4th grade 31.4%-55.1%

5th grade 20.5%-79.3%

Math

2nd Grade 52.3%-74.4%

3rd grade 44.2%-49.5%

4th grade 51.5%-61.6%

5th grade 85.3%-86.5%

Parent involvement: Parent trainings are offered each year. Some of the trainings included infinite campus training, virtual literacy parent workshop October 27th (Georgia Milestones contains a writing component, so this is an important workshop for parents to attend.) Trunk or Treat October 28th. Food and entertainment will be provided.

We are experiencing an uptick in students being mean to each other. Not a level of bullying yet. Monitor your child's social media and phone texting communication. Digital citizenship and texting etiquette will be investigated as an option for the school to help address this issue.

Extended learning is for students that are right below grade level. For the first time it will be offered to 1st and 2nd grade. They will also continue to offer it to 3rd -5th grade. The program will start on October 26th. It will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:45-5:00pm. Snacks will be served, and the focus is literacy and math.

Parking Lot: Working on a fix to this. New changes will be announced soon.

STEM: OutTeach will start on October 26th. Science coach will perform 6 model lessons for 6 different teachers. 15 scholars are participating in Science Olympiad.

Recess Waiver Update: Non-PE days teachers are to take students outside for PE. Will send out a survey to teachers for an update.

Superintendent Advisory Committee: ESPLOST and COVID updates which are the same as in the Principal Updates. Talk about the school updates made possible with the ESPLOST funds. Waiting on final approval on the grade policy. Parent input was included but it is still in the need to go to Principal council and other for review and feedback. COVID infection rates are trending down.

Trunk or Treat: PTA has agreed to pay for the hotdogs. Mr. Banks is going to grill. We are being asked to buy water. Mr. Young volunteered to donate the water. Help will be needed with serving the hotdogs, monitoring the bounce house, and bagging the popcorn.

NEXT MEETING: December 8th 6:00pm via TEAMS: Potential agenda Items: Fundraisers: Fun RUN, popcorn, etc. Recess update, Principal Updates, Superintendent updates, Needs assessment from Math and literacy teacher, SGC Board vacancy,

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Mr. Dow Moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 PM. First by Mr. Young and Second by Dr. Dames. Meeting adjourned.

Recorder: Nathalie Dames