



School Advisory Council Minutes of Meeting

Creekland Middle School

DATE 5/9/2024 MEETING TIME 7:45 MEETING LOCATION Creekland Middle

MEETING CALLED BY	Billy Peppers
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular Meeting
PRINCIPAL	Richie Carnes
NOTE TAKER	Celeice Hood and Billy Peppers; Transcribed by Laura Brown
BOARD ATTENDEES	Jonathan Browning, Billy Peppers, Rebecca Wright, Farran Cheatwood, Laura Brown
GUEST ATTENDEESS	Nathan Cline, Angela Gula, Celeice Hood

Agenda Items:

Approval of agenda -

Rebecca moved to approve agenda

Johnathan second

Approval of last meeting minutes -

Rebecca moved to approve last meeting minutes

Johnathan second

TIME ALLOTTED: 7:50

TOPIC: State of Creekland

PRESENTER: Carnes

DISCUSSION	Creekland is in good shape as Dr. Carnes counts down the days to retirement. Dr. Carnes will continue to support schools in Cherokee County through his work as a relator with EF2.	
CONCLUSIONS		
	exceptional.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None needed		



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TIME ALLOTTED: 8:00

TOPIC: Testing

PRESENTER: Dr. Cline

DISCUSSION	3 rd week of testing is underway	
	CMS has a lot of make-up testing to complete	
	50 student refusals (3%)	
	It does count as an unexcused absence if a student is not present for testing. But, it does not impact their course grades.	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None needed		

TIME ALLOTTED: 8:05

TOPIC: Construction

PRESENTER: Dr. Cline

DISCUSSION	Construction is not supposed to take place until after 1:00 pm during testing days.	
	Pouring footers this week. Next summer (2025) is the estimated completion timeline.	
	Demo usually does not occur when students are in the building.	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

TIME ALLOTTED: 8:10

TOPIC: Custodial

PRESENTER: Dr. Cline

DISCUSSION	Not currently fully staffed. We lost one person to promotion with ABM. Interviews on-going.	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None needed		



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TIME ALLOTTED: 8:15

TOPIC: Staffing

PRESENTER: Dr. Carnes

DISCUSSION	We have had a few teachers resign. Several are transferring to Cobb County. One teacher was offered a position elsewhere, but chose to stay due to our community.	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None	Admin	

TIME ALLOTTED: 8:20

TOPIC: Field Trips

PRESENTER: Ms. Gula

DISCUSSION	Travel Store is utilized to organize field trips to lighten the load of planning. We have had issues with buses from time to time, but their reps handle it when it happens.	
	- Ms. Wright asked if using the Travel Store drives up cost. It does not.	
	- Mr. Browning asked why we can not utilize school buses. (Due to timing and school start/stop times it is not feasible.)	
	- Field Trip scholarships are available. We are doing a fundraiser to build a surplus of scholarship funds. We will consider putting together a package to sponsor an 8 th grader for a FT.	
	- We do catch some flack about funds and overnight trips. The logistics of overnight trips have become increasingly complicated.	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None needed		

TIME ALLOTTED: 8:25

TOPIC: Discipline and Data

PRESENTER: Ms. Gula

DISCUSSION	Good news is that students typically behave well when we are on field trips.	
	Understand that these are middle school students. We have mentoring/check-ins programs in place.	
	Use of tribunal process to determine alternative placements. Panel is at The Bluffs. Rotating panel and attorneys to ensure due process.	
	CCSD is looking into harassment procedures.	



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CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None needed		

TIME ALLOTTED: 8:30

TOPIC: Grade Level Organization

PRESENTER: Dr. Hood

DISCUSSION	Scheduling is going on right now. Feb is the time for parent/child school change requests. Teachers evaluate student placement and those are then sent back out. There is a process for adjustments to be requested by parents.	
	6 th – Team Model (4 Teams)	
	7 th – Super Team Model (4 Teams/2 Cohorts)	
	8 th – Departmentalized	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None needed		

TIME ALLOTTED: 8:35

TOPIC: Grizzly Games

PRESENTER: Dr. Hood

DISCUSSION	Grizzly Games are next week (5/14, 5/15, 5/16). Tiered for discipline.	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None needed		



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TIME ALLOTTED: 8:40

TOPIC: Board Input

PRESENTER: Mr. Peppers

DISCUSSION	Board will miss Dr. Carnes.	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None needed		

AJOURNMENT CALLED BY	Motion to adjourn – Ms. Wright; Second – Mr. Browning
TIME	8:50
NEXT MEETING	

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