



**UGMS SCHOOL COUNCIL
2022-2023**

September 1, 2022 Agenda

7:35am start time with the following members present:

Ms. Cheri Matthews, Business

Ms. Shanika Thomas, Parent

Judge Holly Veal, Parent

Ms. Elyse Rochowski, Teacher

Mr. Sean Thompson, Principal

Ms. Joyce Vaughn, Secretary

Visitors- PTO President Ms. Sandra Joseph and Former PTO President Ms. Melanie Mangham

Welcome and Introduction of Members-Mr. Thompson welcomed everyone back and congratulated the newest member Ms. Shanika Thomas. Appointment of a Council Chairperson will be done at the October 6th meeting, and the voting of a 2nd teacher will be done this month.

Mr. Thompson shared a selection from the August BOE meeting showing great areas of Milestones and MAP growth in the county and UGM. A wonderful and positive start to the year.

SGA Introductions-Newly elected Student Government leaders, Kayla Calos, Claire Fry, and Ryann Butler were introduced and will be meeting with the Council in the months to come.

Emergency Drills: Hard Lockdown/Soft Lockdown/School Shooter Drills-an explanation of how hard and soft lockdown drills are carried out, and why active shooter drills are not were discussed. Communication and clarification of drills are discussed before and after every drill. Taking into consideration comments from council members, future drills will include an email sent out to teachers afterwards informing them to fill out a mental health recommendation form for any students that may have experienced some form of anxiety/trauma from the drill. Facility security upgrades are in progress, and fulltime SRO should be on campus end of September or early October.

Policies: Cell/Dress Code-Not backing down on either policy, but the concern of inconsistency, and adult staff not following the same policy was addressed. Grade level teacher meetings on Monday addressed guidelines for handling these policies.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 a.m. Next School Council meeting will be held on Thursday, October 6th.