



MEETING MINUTES

Shakerag Elementary School Governance Council

Date / time 09/11/2024 | 8:00 am | **Location** PLC Conference Room

SGC Website: <https://www.fultonschools.org/domain/7891>

SGC Members

Megan Ames, Community Member (approved)
 Craig Cunningham, Community Member (approved)
 Rashi Manaktala, Teacher (elected)
 Debbie Wise, Staff (elected)

Brittany Burnett, Staff (appointed)
 Mia Fiedler, Parent (elected)
 Mia Mandel, Teacher (appointed)

Andrexy Campbell, Parent (elected)
 Christine Lemerond, Principal
 Megan, Milovich, Parent (elected)

FY24 Norms:

Be focused on the individual needs of ALL students. ~ Be the voice of ALL stakeholders. ~ Be present and maintain confidentiality. ~ Be goal oriented.

We will now begin our September 11, 2024, meeting of the School Governance Council of Shakerag Elementary School. The Council welcomes and encourages citizens to attend its meetings to become better acquainted with the programs of school and the role of the School Governance Council. This meeting is open to the public but is not a public meeting. Citizens are welcome to attend the meeting but must refrain from interruption or distracting the council proceedings. If there are any questions or information that you have for the council, you may contact one of the council members after this meeting or plan to speak at one of the meetings that reserves time for public comment. You can find the council member contact information, meeting dates, and agenda on the School Governance page of the Shakerag Elementary School website.

Time	Item	Owner
8:00am	Mrs. Lemerond introduced Amy Palermo, and Alexandra Schoessler From River Trail – They were just visiting to observe our meeting.	
8:01am	Meeting was brought to order First -Megan Ames Second -Andrexy Campbell	Mrs. Manaktala
8:02am	Action Item: Approve Agenda First -Mia Fiedler Second -Megan Milovich	Mrs. Manaktala
8:03am	Action Item: Approve August Meeting Minutes First -Andrexy Campbell Second -Craig Cunningham	Mrs. Manaktala
8:04am	Mrs. Manaktala reminded board members who have not yet completed required training to please do so and provided the dates	Mrs. Manaktala
8:05am	Discussion Item: Fall 2024 Cross Council Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Megan Milovich volunteered to attend Fall 2024 Cross Council Sessions Mrs. Manaktala will send sign up 	Mrs. Manaktala
8:10am	Discussion Item: Principal Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final count is complete. We lost 1 paraprofessional, 1 kindergarten teacher and one 1st grade teacher. 	Mrs. Lemerond

- Two teachers and one para were surplused
- Both surplused teachers changed schools, but remained in the same grade level
- There were similar transitions throughout our cluster
- Low enrollment year for kindergarten -61 kindergarten students currently enrolled
- Already looking at enrollment for next year-and following closely
- Final Allocations and Adjustments have been made
- We are participating in Career Technical Agricultural Education program
- Similar program to our already very strong ASL (Advanced Strategies Lab) program
- Still locally funded, but they are giving us extra money for supplies, and lots of resources.
- This is a big advantage - lots of new Lego, iPads and resources
- The classroom doesn't look different, teacher is making sure there is an emphasis on career part
- Wednesday's tragedy at Apalachee High School has brought up a lot of safety concerns.
- When situations like these arise, we are often asked what we are doing now to increase safety.
- We have a strong partnership with JC police department and our FCS Police.
- We are already proactive, and the staff is reminded to remain vigilant.
- We continue our protocols and procedures.
- We have a proactive approach, not reactive.
- If you see something, say something--- see additional details in our newsletters.
- Increased threats on social media- More of an issue in middle school and high school.
- Community must make sure they report it instead of reposting, so we don't cause panic and fear.
- Emphasis is on making sure people are alerting the authorities and schools when they notice something, so we are taking care of any issues immediately.
- Must emphasize with all the students that this is serious.
- This will not be taken lightly.

8:15am

Action Item: Charter Dollars Approval

Mrs. Lemerond

- Charter dollars equal roughly \$46,391.00 this year
- When budget was built, goal was to fund positions, not things
- In using our funds up front to purchase positions in the spring, the hope is that we can use all of the Charter funds to back fill our instructional supplies and materials.
- Mrs. Lemerond requested approval to take 100% of the charter dollars to pay for instructional supplies and materials.

First -Megan Milovich

Second -Andrexy Campbell

No one opposed

8:21am

Discussion Item: New Strategic Plan

Mrs. Lemerond

- Draft was reviewed
- All based on Fulton County balanced scorecard
- As a school, we must come up with ways to progress monitor this information
- In draft, we have 6 goals:
 - Enhance performance for all students
 - Prioritize safety and operational efficiency
 - Ensure impactful programing

- Strengthen work force engagement
- Utilize fiscal resources effectively
- Deepen community connections
- Mrs. Lemerond went over our draft strategic plan metrics, our current performance and our performance targets.
- The next part is high level actions- goals within goals to help attain them so we can impact more areas.
- Focus- small group instruction
- Mr. Downey will be meeting with us in next two weeks, and go over final approval, then we will bring it back to committee

8:35am Action Item: Superintendent’s Advisory Council Mr. Cunningham

- Mr. Cunningham will share information after he attends the next meeting

8:40am Discussion Item: SY24-25 Council Initiatives Mrs. Manaktala

Spirit and Morale

- We talked last year about spirit and moral of community
- Committee discussed if flag event was something we would like to do again
- Mrs. Burnett shared that the week and activities leading up to the event was great Logistically, it was hard, but we can work on it and communication amongst teachers
- Students were proud of their flags
- As an activity, it went well, but we still need to work on growing pains
- We must consider what can we do to streamline more and do it more efficiently

International Night

- We didn’t get big turnout on survey
- If we were to bring this back, we would need to think it through all the way, and we would probably want to do it in conjunction with PTO.
- After some discussion, it was decided we would put this on the table for now, and plan to refine our flag event

8:55am Discussion Item: Set Next Meeting Agenda (10/09/24 @ 8:00am) Mrs. Manaktala

- Public Comment Meeting
- 10 minutes will be given for public comment

9:00am Action Item: Meeting Adjournment Mrs. Manaktala

- First - Andrey Campbell
- Second -Craig Cunningham