

October Agenda

School: Esther Jackson Elementary School

Date: 10/17/2024

Time: 3:45 PM

Location: Esther Jackson Conference Room

SGC Members:

Ms. Nikol Boyd, Principal | Ms. Jill Vitagliano, Staff | Ms. Lisa MacMillan, Teacher | Mrs. Katelyn Bivins, Teacher | Ms. Avery Sather, Teacher | Kyle Finley, Parent | Lisette Hoschek, Parent | | Nohemi Rojas-Sanchez, Parent | Zach Vaughan, Community Member | Kenny Bittick, Community Member |

3:45PM Call to Order (*Jill Vitagliano*)

3:47PM Action Item: Approve Agenda (*Jill Vitagliano*)

3:50PM Action Item: Approve September Minutes (*Jill Vitagliano*)

3:52PM Discussion Item: SY24-25 Council Initiatives* (*All Members*)

4:05PM Discussion Item: Debrief Fall Cross Council Meeting*** (*All Members*)

4:10PM Discussion Item: Strategic Planning**** (*All Members*) **See page 2 for more detailed information**

4:20PM Action Item: Approve Strategic Plan (*Jill Vitagliano*)

4:25PM Discussion Item: Charter Dollar Expenditure Proposals (*All Members*)

4:45PM Action Item: Approve Charter Dollar Expenditure Proposals (*Jill Vitagliano*)

4:50PM Informational Item: Principal's Update (*Ms. Boyd*)

5:25PM Discussion Item: Draft Next Meeting's Agenda (*All Members*)

5:30PM Action Item: Meeting Adjournment (*Jill Vitagliano*)

Meeting Norms:

Be respectful of time | Be respectful of each other's perspectives | Use individual strengths to maximize our collective work | Assume good will | Let thoughts be completed before commenting, please do not interrupt others | Maintain confidentiality

Notes and Reminders

*** SY24-25 Council Initiatives:** Begin discussions to determine the focus of the council's upcoming work. Lean on your school's Semester Action Plan to ensure the work of the council is aligned with the goals and initiatives being targeted by the school leaders. Task the council with prioritizing 1 – 2 initiatives the SGC could lead or support throughout the year.

****SGC Website Audits**

Each school year, the Governance & Flexibility Team periodically performs website audits to ensure all School Governance Councils throughout the district are in compliance with Georgia Open Records and Meetings laws. These audits require councils to post information related, but not limited to the following:

- Date, Time, Place/Access Instructions for all Meetings
- Council Documentation (Minutes, Agendas, Summaries of Action)
- Council Roster, Term-End Dates, FCS E-mail Addresses
- Officer and Committee Information

The Governance & Flexibility Team will be completing website audits for all schools at the end of the month. For a list of SGC website requirements, please review the SGC [Website Audit Form](#).

*****SGC Council Development Opportunities:**

Cross Council Opportunities

The Governance Team is excited to share with you that we will be hosting a series of Cross Council meetings meant to support SGCs with the task of aligning their work for the school year to the strategic goals and initiatives of their specific school as well as those of the district. These sessions will offer members the opportunity to work and hear from councils around the district and engage in discussions with the Governance & Flexibility Team. The meetings will take place in-person at the dates/times/locations below. We encourage all SGCs to select up to two members to attend one of the sessions and register to attend using the links below. Note, each session will cover similar content, so your team does not need to register for multiple sessions.

- [Fall 2024 Cross Council Sign-Up](#)

******Strategic Planning (October)**

As we embark on the second month of the 2024-2025 school year, we encourage your continued dedication to the development and implementation of your school's Strategic Action Plan. Your vital role in shaping the future of your school community cannot be overstated.

To ensure timely submission and alignment with district goals, please note the following critical dates and resources:

- **Strategic Action Plan Submission Deadline:** November 1, 2024
- **SGC Approval Requirement:** A majority vote of the SGC is necessary before plan submission.
- **Supporting Resources:** A wealth of tools and templates are available on the [Charter System Resources website](#) to assist in the planning process.

To ensure your school's Strategic Action Plan is effective, we recommend discussing the following at your October meeting:

- **Finalize Progress Monitoring Metrics and Timelines:** Determine how you will track progress towards your goals.
- **Vote to Approve the Strategic Action Plan:** Ensure your plan aligns with your school's vision and mission.
- **Submit the Strategic Action Plan to the Zone Superintendent:** Seek feedback and approval from district leadership.
- **Discuss SGC Involvement in Specific Initiatives:** Determine how your council can actively contribute to implementing your plan.

Your engagement in the strategic planning process is crucial to the success of your school. By working together, we can create a vibrant and supportive learning community for all students.