FCS Innovation Academy School Governance Council Meeting

First & Last Name*	Initials	FCS Email Address	Position	Meeting Norms
Charu Agrawal	CA	agrawal@fultonschools.org	Parent	Silence Phones
Robert Alford	RA	AlfordR@fultonschools.org	Community Member	Be Respectful of Others' Opinions
Jeanietta Howard	JH	HowardJ7@fultonschools.org	Parent	Work for the good of all Students
Scott Kent	SK	KentS@fultonschools.org	Principal	
Bob Kuhn	BK	Kuhn@fultonschools.org	Teacher	
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Jit Saha	JS	SahaJ@fultonschools.org	Parent	
Yash Varakala	YV	2000101706@fcstu.org	Student	
Ron Wright	RW	ron@johnscreekpharmacy.org	Community Member	
Katie Kinsey	KK		FCS SGC	
Pam Sidhi	PS		Junior PTSO rep	

Visitors

Date: 11/21/24

Today: None

Meeting Notes

7:45AM-7:48AM: Call to order, Approvals

- Motion to approve agenda (BK)
- Second (CL)
- Motion to approve minutes (JS), DH seconded.

7:49AM-8:17AM Information Item: Committee Chairs/Reps

- RA discussed sharing Communications committee resource for SGS and then for general circulation for PTSO
- JS updated budget feedback from staff; BK went over the items that were submitted by teachers and which items we will support (Will to Live guest speaker during project week) and others that were either outside SGC scope or too expensive.
 - JS proposed voting on speaker support to set aside this money. CL motioned to approve, DR seconded.
 Approved by SGC.
- PBL Works was described by SK as a way to build in house expertise for future project-based learning (PBL).
 Thirty-day training for numerous teachers. \$15K for 30 teachers but pare down to 20 teachers (\$10K): Suggestion for Global Alliance Academy using 5 teacher seats and IA 20 seats. IA Foundation might approve honorariums for teacher going through training. BK stressed that it would be important for PBL Works to understand PBL at IA. SK described process and how it would be customizable for our school.
 - Provisional approval motion for the \$10K, BK motioned, DR seconded, Approved
- SK described an outdoor classroom model (~30K) that might work for our campus. Perhaps a 20K commitment from SGC and then find local or donated funds. CL described how teachers might use the space. YV described how students might use it as well. DR wondered whether teachers would actually use this. BK wondered about security and SK mentioned a partnership with City of Alpharetta and potential use/security. RM wondered if students could contribute to the design of the outdoor space. SK definitely wants student design input.
- No update on Cross Council Meeting
- RA talked about Advisory Council and the FCS AI system for detecting cyber threats which is up and running.

8:19AM Strategic Plan Update (SK)

- Participation rate discussion for teachers and parents. Parent participation could improve.
- Discipline remains low and SK shared year to date discipline. Incidents are down and main incidents include computer misuse.

8:27AM Principal Update

• SK described wellness and tutoring center successes and more to do. CA asked about tutoring center hours.

^{*}Members in attendance are in BOLD

• SK talked about Pheonix Project (PP) this year and plans for getting feedback for next year. He was impressed with what he has seen this year on the PP. Far from perfect but as a first year initiative signs are good. SK offered for folks to come in to give feedback on Friday (11/21). Discussion about planning challenges and student experiences with PP.

8:45AM Student Leadership:

• YV asked about Flex Friday make up session

8:46AM: Next Meeting

• No objection to 12/19 for the next meeting

8:48AM: Motion to adjourn