

**Lady's Island Middle School  
School Improvement Council (SIC)  
Minutes of Meeting held Tuesday, December 10, 2024**

Attendees: Scott Shipsey, Kimberly Flick, Geneva Young, Keith Weaver, Melanie Martin, Jessica Blackman, Natalie Hill, Linda Navorska, Don Navorska, Juvonna Jenkins, Kathy Bingham, Leslie Roldan.

The meeting began at 6:01 P.M. K. Weaver welcomed all to the meeting. Pledge.

S. Shipsey gave the Chair Report

- The traveling Anne Frank exhibit will visit Lady's Island Middle School beginning January 13, 2025. The month-long exhibit is based at the University of South Carolina. Fifteen 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be trained by USC staff as docents to explain the exhibit to students and our LIMS community. Guest speakers that are familiar with the Holocaust will attend and speak to our students during the month. A community night will be held at Lady's Island Middle School January 28, 2025, from 6:00pm-7:30pm. In addition to the exhibit, our City Council will proclaim Anne Frank Proclamation Day at city hall the night of January 14, 2025. Docents, parents, and LIMS staff will be in attendance.
- The BCSD joint SIC/BOE meeting scheduled for December 5, 2024, was cancelled without explanation.
- Feedback from questions electronically submitted by parent C. Nichols after our November SIC meeting was reviewed. Questions ranged from our afterschool program, teacher appreciation, classroom goals and rewards, and sponsorship programs within our school community. S. Shipsey addressed a few ways teachers and students are acknowledged through business partners Food Lion, Publix, and Harris Teeter. These stores reward our students at the Prowl Party activities and staff birthdays each month.
- The welcome sign at Chowan Creek bridge will be maintained monthly by community members, L. Navorska, S. Shipsey, and LIMS teacher M. Sanders. Those who are interested in participating in the monthly clean up please contact S. Shipsey.

J. Blackman ABC curriculum update

- J. Blackman gave the council an ABC update. Recently our school had an ABC site visit from the Director of ABC, Ms. Wilson, and Virtual Program Specialist, Ms. Coffey. A banner was presented to our school which will be proudly displayed at the entrance of our school. The banner recognizes our school as being a 10-year member of ABC.
- All are invited to the LIMS annual Visual Arts department showcase on December 17, 2024, at LIMS.

K. Flick, G. Young, and K. Weaver presented the Principals Report

- K. Flick, G. Young and K. Weaver discussed steps taken so far by the administration concerning our improvement plan. Administration outlined three performance goals to improve on by May 2025. The three goals are:
  1. By May of 2025, 40% of Multi-Lingual students will meet their projected growth targets on the ACCESS test.
  2. By May of 2025, Lady's Island Middle School students will increase their academic achievement performance to 37% scoring meets and exceeds on the SCREADY math assessment.
  3. By May of 2025, Lady's Island Middle School students will increase their academic achievement performance to 55% scoring meets and exceeds on the SCREADY ELA assessment.

All three administrators discussed various strategies and action items that have been and will be initiated by our school to improve the scores. The continuous improvement and turnaround plan is available for review at LIMS.

K. Flick announced two parent nights upcoming. The parent nights are designed to meet the needs of our ML families. The first night will be hosted by Robert Smalls and the second will be held at LIMS on January 11, 2025, at 6pm. K. Flick mentioned that mentoring programs have been developed for our ML students. Our school presently has 38 ML students. We presently have seven teachers at LIMS who have signed up to take SIOP training. Our after-school program will focus on how we can move our ML students to higher scores and success. The afterschool program will focus more on grammar/sentence structure with the students.

K. Weaver discussed our below average rating and ways to move us to average and higher. K. Weaver mentioned how close we were to an average rating this past year. For example, if four of our ML students' scores were higher on the test– we would have had a rating of average. With an emphasis on improving not only ML students' scores, as well as all our students' scores, a discussion began on how we can improve. One thought was to write a letter to the BCSD and request a full-time ML teacher for LIMS. We presently share a ML teacher.

G. Young reviewed positive monthly programs and events for our students and teachers to show appreciation for all their efforts. G. Young has created a monthly calendar that all can view and participate in.

Next LIMS SIC meeting: January 14, 2025 @ 6pm in the library.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 P.M.