

CES School Governance Meeting Agenda
Monday, December 14, 2020

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**CHARACTER
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I. Welcome

- Ben Hamrick, 2019-2020 Chair
- Members Present: Ben Hamrick(Business Rep), Becky Bryant(Asst. Principal), Nan Asdit(Teacher Rep), Melissa Bates(Principal), David Bentley(Parent Rep), , Bobby Walker(Business Rep), Keisha Fulton (Parent Rep)
- Members Not Present: Linda Kirkland(Teacher Rep), Jessica Mitchan(Parent Rep)

II. Old Business

- None

III. Principal's Report

- Appreciation for the money raised by the SGC group for teacher gifts. They purchased chairs with the staff members' names on it and a goody bag of items.
- Calendar option B will be presented to the Board. This is the option that gives additional pre-planning time for the staff.
- A lot of time is spent dealing with tracing contacts when a COVID case is identified.
- Custodians will be working during the school closing time to do extra sanitation.
- Teachers are anticipated to be in the second phase for the vaccine.
- Lost about 100 students across the system due to COVID related family moves.

IV. New Business

- Richard Dyke, CFO for the school system was our guest. Below are highlights of items he addressed from questions we asked.
 - How has COVID affected school expenses?
 - Not major costs but additional PPE and Virtual software. Contract tracing is very time consuming but no additional resources have been put in place yet.
 - The changes to Senior Homestead Tax Exemption was approved on the ballot. This will cost about \$600,000 in lost revenue.
 - Question asked about out of district kids. We have about 700 in the total system with 300-400 that pay. Strict guidelines for staying in the system.
 - The Board is calling for a Bond Election in March for the purpose of School expansion/construction. This will be a 20 yr Bond for a total of \$60M. The first 5 years will be paid for with the current SPLOST and we anticipate future SPLOST will be approved to fund this. If the SPLOST is not approved then it will result in a higher millage rate.
 - General Comments on the plan for School expansion/construction:
 - Adding 100K sq ft to CHS to move from 1500 to 2000 capacity
 - Building a new primary school on the property at Carter Grove. This will be a 215K sq ft facility that plans to be pre-k to 3rd grade. Goal to start construction in summer/fall '21 and take 2 yrs to complete.
 - Not known what will happen to the existing CPS facility.
 - With one grade removed from CES it will allow 4th and 5th to spread out and handle growth
 - No specific plan for construction at CMS

V. Open Discussion

- None

VI. Meeting Dates - Will follow pattern of 4th Monday of each Month

- Jan 25th
- Feb 22nd
- March 22nd
- April 26th
- May 24th

Our Vision:

“A Tradition of Excellence – Making It Personal”

Our Mission: A Tradition . . .

In preparing students for the challenges of progress and change through development of the skills necessary to become lifelong learners in order that they may live successful and productive lives.