

Palmetto Elementary SGC Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2025

Time Called to Order: 8:09 AM

Called by: Brannon

Agenda Approval

- Motion to approve the agenda: K. Brown
 - Seconded by: Cook-King
 - Agenda read by: Howard
 - Motion to approve the agenda: Richardson
 - Seconded by: Walker
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Strategic Plan and School Initiatives

- **School Profile:**
 - Math: 38.9%
 - ELA: 33.48%
 - Goal: Increase both by 5%
 - **Mobility Rate:** 41.59%
 - **Goals:**
 - **ELA & Math:** Increase the percentage of 3rd–5th grade students scoring at levels 3 and 4 on GMAS by 5% by June 2026
 - **K–2:** Increase the percentage of students scoring at or above grade level by 5% based on i-Ready
 - **Suspensions:** Decrease the number of out-of-school suspensions (OSS); last year there were 20
 - **PBIS:** Maintain status as a Distinguished PBIS School
 - **ESOL:** Students typically perform well in Math
 - **Employee Retention (2023–24):** 83%
 - **Student Activities Fund Usage:** 95%
 - **Student Attendance (2023–24):** 83%
 - **Exceptional Eagle Program:** Begins in October
 - **Instructional Focus:**
 - Unit assessment data will be monitored to guide instruction
 - Emphasis on small group instruction
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Discussion

- **Brannon:** Asked if tutors or extra support could be provided due to reading challenges
 - **Bowens:** Awaiting budget confirmation to hire a tutoring company for 3rd grade. The company charges \ \$125/hour, totaling approximately \ \$12,000 for the semester. Services would begin in the second semester.
 - **Walker:** Asked if teachers with tutoring businesses can inform parents
 - **Bowens:** Teachers cannot tutor on school grounds but may share information with parents
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Strategic Plan Approval

- Motion to approve the tentative 2025–2026 Strategic Plan: Brannon
 - Seconded by: Cook-King
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Updates

- A laminator, printers, and ink have been purchased
 - PTA now has a full roster:
 - Vice President: Leonta
 - Secretary: Ms. Jones
 - Principal Selection Committee updated to include Ms. Walker and Ms. Richardson
 - Brannon shared that she and Brown will attend a meeting on September 26 to learn more about council roles
 - Cross-Council Meeting scheduled for November 29
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Celebrations & Announcements

- Grandparents' Breakfast was a success with great turnout
 - Saturday School will begin in January
 - A 3rd grade teaching position has been posted due to no surplus received
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Adjournment

Time: 8:36 AM