

September 2025 Meeting Minutes

School: Cogburn Woods Elementary

Date: 09/18/2025

Time: 3:00 PM

Location: SLC

SGC Members:

Lisa Garosi (Principal), Jacqueline Daeshler (Teacher-Chair), Holly Chafin (Teacher) Sandy Austin (Appointed Staff), Lauren Pritchard (Appointed Staff), Erin Rybos (Parent -Vice-Chair), Chrisine Santos (Parent), Cristina Allan (Community member-Parliamentarian), Fredrico Giraldo (Parent), vacancy (Community Member),

3:00 PM Meeting called to order at 3:06PM

3:02 PM Action Item: Approve Agenda

Motion – Rybos
Second – Chafin
All in favor – approved

3:05 PM Action Item: Approve August Minutes

Motion – Rybos
Second – Chafin
All in favor – approved

3:10 PM Discussion Item: Determine SY25-26 Council Norms

- **Council Norms:** Silence Phones, Be Respectful of Others' Opinions, Work for the good of all Students

3:15 PM Discussion Item: SGC Council Development Opportunities

- You should have received an email from Katie if you still need to complete the online SGC training. Please email Katie if you are having issues.
- We would like to have one representative at the upcoming Cross Council event.

3:20 PM Action Item: Finalize Council Staffing

- We are still looking for potential members to fill this role. Please submit nominees that may be a good fit for the next year. Lisa Garosi will have someone by the next meeting.

3:30 PM Discussion Item: Review SGC Website for Compliance

- Cristina Allan will work on updating the SGC page on the website.

3:35 PM Action Item: Approve Strategic Plan

- Lisa walked through the strategic plan for 2025-2026 school year. This is the blueprint to help us spend our charter dollars. She explains that our plan should align with the district's larger goals. LG walks through each prong of the plan and explains the options we were allowed to choose from and what we chose. She also shared important data that fueled the choices made for our plan. Reading

proficiency, ESOL and SEC subgroups, and employee and parent satisfaction, are all focus points for this year's plan.

Motion to Approve - Chafin

Second - Katie second

All in favor - approved

3:45 PM Discussion Item: Review 2024 Council Self-Assessment and Create Initiatives

- All those that took the assessments would recommend serving on SGC and gave positive feedback. Katie will send out the survey responses for all to see.

4:10 PM Informational Item: Principal's Update (Garosi)

- We added another kindergarten teacher (Mrs. Fitz). Lisa is hiring 2 new para pros – one to take the new kindergarten teachers place and a second for the new kindergarten class.
- We hired a new 5th grade teacher. She is a seasoned Fulton County teacher that was surplusd. She has been teaching for 25 years. Class sizes have decreased to 28/29 kids.
- We are still looking for a 4th grade teacher. This will be a unique find due to the class being all subjects and not departmentalized.
- The front door security system will hopefully been completed soon. Fulton County is waiting on a part. Once this phase is done the remainder of the project will be completed.
- The fence was approved and will be fully paid for by Fulton County. Fence bids were taken on Friday.

4:20 PM Discussion Item: Charter Dollar Expenditure Proposals

- We have \$30,000.
- Erin Rybos will put a request form together for teachers to submit requests for items that they need and fall within our strategic plan.
- PBIS committee has requested \$4600 – including \$1000 for new PBIS and \$800 for green shirts. We would like to get more clarity on the t shirt requests. Lisa will go back to the PBIS committee to get more details on the budget.
- .1 Counselor up to \$10,000.

4:25 PM Action Item: Charter Dollar Expenditure

- Chafin motioned to approve .1 Counselor up to \$10,000.
- Second - Daeschler
- All in favor - approved

4:28 PM Discussion Item: Draft Next Meeting's Agenda

- Budget
- PBIS Budget Details
- Teacher request form

4:30 PM Action Item: Meeting Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn - Austin

Second - Chafin

All in favor - 4:01pm