

Dilworth Elementary School

SIT Meeting Minutes

NOVEMBER 19, 2025

IN PERSON MEETING

7:00AM

Type of Meeting: Monthly Meeting

Meeting Invitees: Becky Crawford, Lane Taylor, Ashley Eller, Jessica Mager, Kerri Doyle, Katy Wind, Matt Sink, Amber Rivera, Beth Person

Meeting Facilitator: Ashley Eller, SIT Chair

I. Call to order with Mission Statement

The faculty and staff of Dilworth Elementary; along with our community, are committed to nurturing successful lifelong learners who embrace 21st century thinking and contribute to the local and global communities.

II. Roll Call - Becky Crawford, Lane Taylor, Ashley Eller, Jessica Mager, Kerri Doyle, Katy Wind, Amber Rivera, Beth Person, Matt Sink; Melanie Spears-Thomas, Joel Messina, Denise Gerst

III. Approval of Coffee with Crawford Minutes/10/30/2025 - minutes were approved

IV. Principal Report - Becky Crawford

- **Parent Concern:** ICE message coming out today from PTA letting them know we are here to support them; CMS is currently not allowing remote learning to happen.
- **School Naming/ PPT/ Marie G. Davis:** [\(link to PPT\)](#) Becky reviewed the history of how we came to this place of needing to name a new school. Plans for the new building are available. Reviewed naming board policy. Reviewed History of both MGD and Dilworth. Naming survey results were shared: 221 submissions/ 35 different suggestions. We will review the Top 5 names and rationale.
 - #1 choice with 144 votes: Dilworth Elementary - rationale included: consistency; had many changes over the years; maintain the brand and culture
 - #2 choice with 23 votes: Dilworth Park Elementary/ Dilworth Elementary on Park/ Dilworth Elementary Park Campus - rationale included: maintaining brand while acknowledging the new location
 - #3 choice with 8 votes: Hillside Elementary - rationale included: makes sense for the location; welcoming and pairs well with the dragon mascot (dragons protecting the hill/ firing up the hill)
 - #4 choice with 6 votes: Park Road Elementary - rationale included location and original name of school; still should keep the Dragons

- #5 choice with 2 votes: Haven Elementary - rational included location and means safe place; will be neutral with a fresh start
- TIED #5 with 2 votes: Queen City Elementary - rational included a nod to our city

Comments from meeting attendees: As a point of reference, Dilworth Little League is on Princeton and is not in Dilworth but remains Dilworth Little League; MGD was not suggested as a name; Dilworth is a recognizable name/brand throughout the community and incorporating the Dilworth name into the new school was agreed upon by all attendees; Suggest we give a special recognition to Marie G. Davis in the new building (ie. name a garden, the stage, etc.); Do the same for the Sedgefield community as a way to recognize that community as well; there is change for all students, so acknowledging that ALL students are undergoing change was appreciated by the attendees;

Next Steps: Finalize top 3 - Dilworth Elementary; Dilworth Haven Elementary; Dilworth Park Elementary - presented to Dr. Balknight

- **Title IX** - We continue to remind students to exhibit safe and respectful behavior. We have not had any Title IX incidents this year.

V. Parent Business - Covered with Parent concern above

VI. PTA Update-Jessica Mager - Neutral blurb about ICE coming out in Dispatch will include a link if families want to help. Results for book fair -Scholastic was a good change. SPARK results -down a little bit from last year. Unsure of why - perhaps uncertainty. Anticipate more coming in with matching donations. TTS will fund support staff gifts; parent donations to room parents will go directly to teachers

VII. Next Meeting Date - December 5 , 2025 (may move to a different day based on Board vote - 2nd Tuesday of the month) - may make this remote

VIII. Adjourned Time - 8:00 am