

Cartersville High School
School Governance Team Meeting-**Minutes**
320 East Church Street
Cartersville, GA 30120
November 20, 2025
7:45am

The Cartersville High School Governance Council met in regular session on Thursday, October 30, 2025, at Cartersville High School, 320 East Church Street, Cartersville, GA 30120

School Council members present: Shelley Tierce, Brittany Biddy, Rebecca Foster, Jennilynn Hawn, Russell Hunt, Matt Popham, Jeffrey Spratt, Ginny Weaver

Call to Order: at 7:45AM by Shelley Tierce

Pledge of Allegiance: All

Approval of Minutes: April meeting minutes approved – 1st Jeffrey Spratt
2nd – Jennilyn Hawn

Good News – Cheer Team won State title

Old Business

- Attendance Update – Current policy: Student w/3 unexcused absences gets attendance letter. Student w/5 or more unexcused absences gets AST meeting with Mrs. Braid(School SW) and parent.
According to current data the AST meeting numbers are way down
- Peach State Tax Credit Update – these funds will be used to improve the Automotive Lab and the Audio/Visual Studio accreditation as the end goal.

NEW BUSINESS

- Prom Hours – Ms. Weaver spoke to the group about current Prom details including theme, hours and safety protocols in place. Ms Weaver and Ms Tierce proposed to change prom hours to 6:00pm-10:00pm beginning this year. The SGC did not have any objection to this proposal.

- Job Openings Data: “do we have relevant curriculum to meet jobs needs in our community and surrounding?”

Ms Tierce spoke to the group about how it would look to partner with Chatt Tech and GA Highlands to provide Dual Enrollment for Audio/Visual and Automotives. The institutions would provide an instructor to come to our campus, and HOPE funds could be used to pay. Students could earn 30 out of 44 hrs needed to earn Film Technician or Automotive Maintenance certifications.

Ms Tierce showed the Council data received from Melinda Lemon. This data includes the type of jobs needed by title, position postings, hard and soft skills being looked for by employers in Bartow, Cobb and Floyd counties. This data is helpful in determining current instruction and instruction going forward.

- Curriculum Survey: Ms Tierce circled back around to discussions regarding gathering data through surveys... who, what, when to survey. She told the council that based on current information and data she is thinking that surveying the Bartow Chamber of Commerce might yield the best results. The council agreed and gave some feedback.

Meeting Adjourned by Ms. Tierce at 8:30am

Next meeting – January 29, 2026 at 7:45am