



Big A Elementary School

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Jennifer G. King, Principal

Cathy Doan, Assistant Principal

School Governance Team Meeting January 20, 2026

Attendance: Adams, Cash, Hunter, Cheek, King
Mrs. King called the meeting to order.

- I. **Approval of Agenda**
Adams approved; Cash 2nd
- II. **Approval of last meeting minutes**
Cash approved; Adams 2nd
- III. **Old Business.**
 - A. **Charter Training, January 8th**
 1. **Share presentation and video (via email)**
Mrs. King encouraged those who were unable to attend to view the presentation and video that she sent. No questions were asked.
 - B. **Cafeteria Tables**
County purchased Big A new cafeteria tables in preparation for older/larger students next year. The new tables allow for flex seating at lunch.
- IV. **New Business**
 - A. **Charter Funds**
Each school receives approximately \$30,000/year to spend on items for the school.
 1. **Emotional Poverty**
Mrs. King has purchased additional books for new staff that would like to participate in the Emotional Poverty by Ruby Payne 'professional development'.
 2. **Approve items**
 - a) **Playground shade**
Mrs. King is seeking approval from our team to purchase a playground shade for the prek playground.



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It was approved with Cheek 1st and Adams 2nd

b) Planning items

Mrs. King challenged us to think of items needed for our school as we move to a prek-5th grade school next year. Ideas must be brought forth by January 29th. Mrs. Cheek brought forth an idea to add additional fencing to the back playground. There is an area that stretches down to the road and gate. Additional fencing would prevent students from going down to that area. Mrs. King was going to bring the idea up to Mr. Stith.

B. PK-5 changes

1. Questions

Mrs. King asked if anyone had any questions. Mrs. Cheek asked if any additional days would be added in order for the teachers to pay up their classrooms and unpack at their new school. Mrs. King said that she did not think so. Mrs. Adams suggested that the county office share the staff at each elementary school with the public. Mrs. King said that consent forms were being viewed now and hopefully that information would be available to the public soon.

2. How to determine district [Search](#)

Mrs. King discussed that the link above was available for parents to type in their home address and it would allow them to see what school district their child would attend.

C. SY 26-27 School Calendar

1. Vote



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Mrs. King went over the three options for the school calendar next year. We discussed the differences between the three options.

V. Parent Engagement

- A. Pre-K parent conference in December**
- B. Kindergarten parent conference in January**
- C. Sweetheart Dance February 6**

**Mrs. King mentioned another fundraiser being held:
Chick-Fil-A Valentine Gram**

VI. Updates, Questions

Mrs. King encouraged parents to complete the Georgia School Climate Survey.

VII. Adjournment

Adams voted to adjourn the meeting with a second coming from Hunter.