

Lady's Island Middle School
School Improvement Council (SIC)
Minutes of Meeting held Tuesday December 9, 2025

Attendees: Chavon Browne, Marvette Washington, Geneva Young, Scott Shipsey, Linda and Don Navorska, Melanie Martin, Haleem Barnes, Leslie Roldan. Zoom – Marta Smith, Denise Huntsman, Jessica Blackman, Renee Roberts, Courtney Mincey, Corey Hollis, M. Sanders, Anna Beatty, P. Simmons-Hill, Juvonna Chatman-Jenkins, Ashley Bissell

The meeting began at 6:03 P.M. C. Browne welcomed all to the meeting. Pledge.

S. Shipsey gave the Chair Report

- Lady's Island Middle School will send a group of students to the January 13, 2026, Lady's Island Business and Professional Association (LIBPA) to showcase our school.
- BCSD will hold two budget forums in 2026. The first will be held at Battery Creek on January 13, 2026, and the second on January 21, 2026, at Bluffton High School.
- BCSD board meeting dates conflict with LIMS SIC meetings. Board member William Smith will review next year's board meeting dates and advise us on dates so we may be able to adjust our SIC dates, which will allow both groups to attend meetings without conflict.
- Lady's Island Middle School is looking for recommendations on the naming of the new entry road at Gay Drive with a four way stop light that leads into What the new Lady's Island Middle School. S. Shipsey contacted County Council chair Alice Howard on procedure to name roads. A. Howard contacted county administrator Michael Moore and Jared Fralix on protocol. Waiting for a response on how to proceed. The SIC would like the community, staff, and students to submit road names for consideration. Parents would vote on naming the road via the weekly Cougar Courier, and the students could submit their ideas through google doc here at school.
- Our SIC will be reaching out for advocates from the LIMS community to speak at a BCSD board meeting. We are looking for speakers to push for a new lecture theater at the new school. The footprint for the future lecture theater is on the architectural plans for potential construction in the future. We determined that a committee be formed consisting of community members, staff, and students to advocate for the theater to be built along with the new school.
- Our SIC has created two school goals. We decided to enhance our food pantry at school and to increase our parent involvement at LIMS. Our action plan was reviewed and edited by all with lots of input. Prior to our January SIC meeting S. Shipsey and M. Washington will meet to finalize the goals and present at next SIC meeting new findings. Edited version of action plan will be posted on our school's SIC web site in January.
- Goal #1 Food Pantry
 - ✓ What will be in the food boxes?
 - ✓ How often will the food boxes be available? Weekly/Monthly? Summer?
 - ✓ Who is eligible to receive the food?

- ✓ Cleaning supplies added to boxes
- ✓ Are we allowed to track through PowerSchool who receives food?

- Goal #2 Increase Parent Involvement
 - ✓ Only seven parents responded to the climate survey last year. We are looking to improve from 7% to 25% completion of survey.
 - ✓ Parents and staff will be trained in a new program coming online called Parent Square. This is a new communication tool to be implemented by the BCSD. This will be the instrument where we can communicate and have more effectively with our parents. Administration is looking to use this platform to administer the climate survey.
 - ✓ Suggestions were made that we could have grade level incentives for most surveys returned.
 - ✓ Push parents to sign up to PowerSchool which could link to a QR code to complete the survey.
 - ✓ No paper versions of the survey. Only with computers.

C. Browne gave the Principals Report

- Our wrestling program is off to a great start! Boys and girl's teams are excelling at their meets. LIMS will host its first wrestling tournament in many years here at Lady's Island Middle School on December 18, 2025, at 6pm in our gym.
- LIMS is sponsoring a coat drive from December 1 – 16th. A food drive is underway as well.
- Our school band is back! They will perform at our Winter Arts showcase on December 16th at 6pm in the gym. Dance, chorus and art will also be in the showcase.
- ML Night will take place at Robert Smalls Leadership School on December 16, 2025.

Next LIMS SIC meeting: **Tuesday, January 13, 2026 @ 6pm** in the library.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Shipsey