



# Liberty Point Elementary School

School Governance Council

## January Agenda

**Date: 1/28/2026**

**Time: 5:00 pm**

**Location: Teams**

**TEAMS Link:** [Join the meeting now](#)

**Meeting ID:** 288 388 521 808 57

**Passcode:** ht5p7xN7

### SGC Members:

Ms. Tanisha Lewis, Principal

Tawanda Darden, Appointed Staff

Amy Cooper, Teacher

Ms. Allison Bryant, Parent (Chair)

Mr. Charles Ross, Community Member

Ms. Kimela Johnson, Teacher

Mr. Roderick Wyatt, Parent (Vice Chair)

D. Parks, Community Member

Ms. Ashley Benson, Parent

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### Call to Order

**5:00PM** Call to Order (*Chair*)

**5:02PM** Action Item: Approve Agenda (*Chair*)

**5:05PM** Action Item: Approve Previous Month's Minutes (*Chair*)

**5:06PM** Discussion Item: Planning for Parent/Teacher SGC Elections\*

**5:08PM** Discussion Item: Planning for Annual Budget Approval\*\*

**5:10PM** Discussion Item: Schedule Spring Committee Meetings (*All Members*)

**5:15PM** Discussion Item: Charter Dollar Expenditure Proposals (*All Members*)

**5:30PM** Action Item: Approve Charter Dollar Expenditure Proposals\*\*\* (*Chair*)

**5:35PM** Informational Item: Midyear Data Dive\*\*\*\* (*Principal*)

**5:45PM** Discussion Item: Website Update (*Ms. Johnson*)

**5:55PM** Informational Item: Principal's Update (*Principal*)

**6:00PM** Discussion Item: Draft Next Meeting's Agenda (*All Members*)

**6:05PM** Action Item: Meeting Adjournment (*Chair*)

### Meeting Norms:

**Silence Phones | Come Prepared | Be Respectful of Others' Opinions| Work for the Good of All Students |**



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### Notes and Reminders

#### 1. **SGC Parent/Teacher Elections**

The declaration period for parents and teachers interested in serving on their local SGCs will run from **February 2<sup>nd</sup> to March 27<sup>th</sup>**. Click [here](#) to check how many council seats your school has open for these positions in this year's election cycle.

#### 2. **Annual Budget Approval**

FY26 Budget development begins on February 2<sup>nd</sup> and will **conclude on February 20<sup>th</sup> (Elementary Schools), February 27<sup>th</sup> (Middle Schools), and March 6<sup>th</sup> (High Schools)**. SGCs should schedule their February and March meetings prior to their budget closure date to ensure the council has time to discuss and approve FY26 fiscal allocations.

**All Dates are Subject to Change**

#### **Optional Training Opportunity**

This training will help deepen your understanding of the budgeting process and provide strategies for making informed financial decisions. Whether you're new to the council or an experienced member, this resource offers valuable insights.

[Link to Optional SGC Budget Training](#)

#### 3. **Charter Dollars**

This year, schools have received **\$30,000 in Charter Dollars** to help meet their strategic goals through local innovative solutions. These funds should be used for non-personnel purchases such as supplies, registrations, communications, etc. When purchasing personnel, schools are advised to use other funding sources allowable for positions. If Charter Dollars are requested for personnel, the expenditure will require approval from the Zone Superintendent, SGC, and Executive Director of Governance and Strategy. Additionally, any materials purchased to support literacy instruction must align with [GaDOE literacy requirements](#).

Each Charter Dollar expenditure requires an SGC vote for approval, the completion of the [Charter Dollar Expenditure Form](#), and is subject to the same district guidelines that govern school cost center budgets. All Charter Dollars must be spent in the year they are received to support our current student population. We encourage SGCs to schedule discussions early in the year to plan for these expenditures, ensuring all purchases are made before end-of-year spending deadlines. See our [Charter Dollar Matrix](#) for examples of FCS-supported expenditures.

#### 4. **Midyear Data Dig**

January is a great time to partner with the Assessment Department for an SGC data dig to review fall trends and set priorities for spring.