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Shakerag Elementary School Governance Council

Date / time 2/18/2026 | 8:00 am | **Location** PLC Conference Room

SGC Website: <https://www.fultonschools.org/domain/7891>

SGC Members

Megan Ames, Community Member (approved)	Brittany Burnett, Staff (appointed)	Craig Cunningham, Community Member (approved)
Keith Kreutzer, Parent (elected)	Christine Lemerond, Principal	Mia Mandel, Staff (appointed)
NaTasha Pennywell, Teacher (elected)	Kathy Preuss, Parent (elected)	Megha Solanki, Parent (elected)
Debbie Wise, Staff (elected)		

FY26 Norms: Be focused and the voice of all stakeholders. ~ Be present, timely, and goal oriented.

We will now begin our February 18, 2026, meeting of the School Governance Council of Shakerag Elementary School. This meeting has a 10-minute allotted time reserved for public comment. The council welcomes all citizens to utilize the reserved time to address the Governance Council and discuss any information or questions they may have at that time. Public comments will be presented in the order in which they were received.

Time	Item	Owner
8:00 am	Action Item: Call to Order	Mrs. Wise
8:01 am	Action Item: Approve Agenda Motion to Approve: Craig Cunningham Second Motion: Keith Kreutzer	Mrs. Wise
8:01 am	Action Item: Approve January Meeting Minutes Motion to Approve: Megan Ames Second Motion: Keith Kreutzer	Mrs. Wise
8:02 am	Information Item: Principal's Update - Mrs. Lemerond shared that the district has been proactive in preparing for remote learning days due to potential weather conditions. - Safety and Communication – The district has been working with middle grades to reinforce the message: “If you see something, say something.” We cannot address issues if we are unaware of them. We are encouraging parents to support the school community by reporting any problems or safety concerns so they can be addressed. - We are trying to teach kids the difference between a mean moment and bullying. Our goal is to help kids learn these things now before they get to middle school. - We are also trying to teach students the difference between telling and tattling. <u>Events:</u> Just wrapped up book fair and storybook night Read Across America -March 2 nd – March 6 th School Dance - March 6 th Feeder Pattern Meeting - March 16 th Spring Cross Council meeting - March 19 th	Mrs. Lemerond
8:13 am	Action Item: Annual Budget Approval** We need people more than we need things. Mrs. Lemerond went over the budget FY27 budget overview: \$6,968,320 Mrs. Lemerond went over personnel and projections based on current enrollment. Items discussed included personnel changes, custodial contract,	Mrs. Lemerond & Mrs. Wise

non-personnel/ per pupil allocation, other revenue: carryover (was 10%) this year, 7.5%.

Action Item: Annual Budget Approval
Motion to Approve: Kathy Preuss
Second Motion: Megan Ames

Mrs. Wise

8:48 am Discussion Item: Parent and Teacher SGC Elections*
Candidacy open now

Mrs. Wise

- Elected positions open:
 - 1 Parent (1st Term - Kreutzer)
 - 1 Teacher (1st Term – Wise)
- Other positions opening later:
 - 1 Community -Approved (2nd Term – Ames)
 - 1 Staff – Appointed (2nd Term – Mandel)

8:49 am Discussion Item: Flag Ceremony on Artist Day- Yes or No
Yes- because chorus is connecting their performance to flag ceremony.
Mrs. Mandel, Mrs. Burnett and Mrs. Lemerond will meet after school to discuss and organize dates.

Mrs. Wise

8:53 am Discussion Item: Spring Cross Council Meeting (3/19/26 – 8:00-2:00)

- Need 2 members to attend
- Mrs. Burnett will go with Mrs. Lemerond

Mrs. Wise

8:54 am Discussion Item: Feeder Pattern Agenda Items (3/16/26 @ 8:00am)
Everyone is invited to Findley Oaks if they would like to participate.

Mrs. Wise

8:45 am Discussion Item: Set Next Meeting Agenda (3/11/26 @ 8:00am)

Mrs. Wise

Information Item: Strategic Monitoring
We will be going over CCRPI data at State of the School Address coming up in April.
April meeting will be Thursday, April 16th – 8:30 as part of volunteer breakfast, PTO meeting and State of the School Address

Mrs. Lemerond

8:50 am Information Item: Public Comment - None

Mrs. Wise

9:00 am Action Item: Meeting Adjournment
Motion to Approve: Megan Ames
Second Motion: Craig Cunningham

Mrs. Wise

Notes from the Governance and Flexibility Team

***SGC Parent/Teacher Elections**

The declaration period for parents and teachers interested in serving on their local SGCs will run from **February 2nd to March 27th**.

****Annual Budget Approval**

FY26 Budget development begins on February 2nd and will **conclude on February 20th (Elementary Schools), February 27th (Middle Schools), and March 6th (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