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I. Call to Order

- Meeting Called to Order at 4:32 PM
- Present: Casey McDonald, Erica Parker, Kelly Goudy, Renee Roberts, Pat Rowell, Genie Brainerd, Erica Coleman (Zoom), and Jaye Harris (Zoom) were in attendance.

II. Approve Minutes

- Last month's minutes were presented by Genie Brainerd and approved by the SIC.

III. Chair Report

- Genie Brainerd asked SIC if all have attended and been SIC trained, everyone confirmed that they did.
- Training opportunities:
 - SC-SIC.org/training offers SIC Beyond the Basics Training on December 2nd from 6–7 PM. This is required for anyone who has not yet completed training.
- Genie discussed the previous goals that we already decided to work through like the RILEY award and parent/community involvement and asked if we would like to add in any goals.
- The SIC voted on continuing to work on our current goals and hold off adding on new goals.
- RILEY Award:
 - The deadline for the RILEY Award is coming up December 5th.
 - Please review the application and email Genie if there are any questions, concerns, comments, or changes.
 - Mrs. Goudy and Genie will meet to discuss and review the application
 - Board person Geier will be making a letter of recommendation.
 - Pender and Goudy will meet to discuss and write a letter of recommendation.
 - Mrs. Roberts and Genie emailed discussing who will be good for another letter of recommendation. Angela Roberts was asked.
- Genie asked about guest speakers that we may be interested in having during our SIC meetings.
 - With the recent dissolving of the Department of Education, we discussed Candance Bruder being contacted to come and speak to SIC about what it now may look like for us.
- Meeting Dates:
 - December and January meetings are used combined. It is scheduled for December 4th at 6:00 – 7:00 PM.

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- This is scheduled to be at Okatie Elementary School. Genie and Mrs. Harris will discuss potential carpool.
- January 15th, February 12th, March 19th, April 23rd, and May 21st are the updated dates for the upcoming SIC Meetings.

IV. Principal's Report

- School Report Card

- Mrs. Goudy will share a breakdown of the data that was shared with staff to help SIC understand where we have fallen and what we need to know to achieve what we want to achieve.
- Our overall rating was a 57 which is listed as Good.
- Good starts at 53-60 and excellent begins at 61.
- Over a three-year period, we exceeded expectations with students on or above grade level.
- Mrs. Goudy explained a growth percentile that shows that students need to make up the most points from being the furthest away which will add more points.
- The students that have less to go earn less points.
- We do not have enough students that are multilingual learners, so we are not rated in that category.
- The school climate is a survey that is given to students, families, and teachers. Not all survey questions that are counted in the overall total.
- We reviewed the specific data on our school climate survey. The data showed that our ratings all fell above the district and state scores.
- Our chronic absentee percentage changed from 13.8% to 17%. Mrs. Goudy discussed how the chronic absentee rate is used. The chronic absentee rate is only regarding a small group of students who are absent more than 10 days during the school year.
- There was some miscommunication about the 10 days or 10%, but it was cleared up on how the percentages fluctuate the overall number of days that we have been in school.
- SIC was asked their opinion on the Bobcat brief and the daily attendance and referral.
- Mrs. Harris expressed her concern about the daily attendance rate. She expressed that the length of the Bobcat Brief is too much information.
- Mrs. Goudy explained the connection between our daily attendance and the chronic absentee list.
- Genie expressed that there is a trend between students being absent consistently and not just for sickness.
- Mrs. Goudy stated that she would work with Mrs. Roberts to create a survey regarding the Bobcat Brief and what is needed, what is not needed,

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and what should be added. This will be put out the week after Thanksgiving, and we will email the SIC with the results.

- Mrs. Holmes said that her afterschool program has the same issue that we do at Coosa, and that they have a quota they need to meet to have a specific number of staff.
- Staffing Update:
 - We are working on hiring a teacher for our Multi-Cat classroom.
 - Everything is completed, except the SC license.
 - She is planning to start volunteering and come into the classroom and should be fully hired in the next two weeks.

V. Closing

- Meeting reminder for next meeting – January 15th.
- Meeting was adjourned at 5:27 PM.