



Meeting Minutes

Roswell North Elementary School Governance Council

Date | time 1/27/2026 | 7:15am | *Location* Conference Room

SGC Members Present:

Dr. Lydia Conway (Principal), Mrs. Sara Denison (Chair - Teacher), Ms. Erin Hammond (Vice Chair - Teacher) Mrs. Megan Flaherty (Teacher), Ms. Jamie Lou Lowe (Teacher), Mrs. Elizabeth Westbrook (Parliamentarian Parent), Mrs. Kim Long (Parent), Mrs. Lauren Roszak (Parent), Mr. Bill Hoban (Community Member), Mr. Mike Thomas (Community Member)

7:15AM Call to Order (Chair- Sara Denison)

7:16AM Action Item: Approve Agenda (Chair- Sara Denison)

Motion: Bill Hoban

Second: Megan Flaherty

All Approved

7:17AM Action Item: Approve Previous Month's Minutes (*Chair- Sara Denison*)

Motion: Erin Hammond

Second: Lauren Roszak

All Approved

7:20AM Discussion Item: Planning for Parent/Teacher SGC Elections (Lydia Conway)

- One parent, one school employee, one community member & one teacher rolling off next year
- School employee is appointed- can appoint a teacher who has previously served as an elected teacher to SGC
- Conway believes there are already interested teachers and parents for next year
- 2 month declaration period (February 2nd to March 27th) for this year's SGC elections

7:23AM Discussion Item: Planning for Annual Budget Approval (Lydia Conway)

- Budgets will be released Feb 2, 2026 to schools- per pupil allocation will be decreased due to budget cuts, because to senior citizen Homestead tax exemption measure that passed
- Most of budget goes toward salaries (fixed by county), but can also purchase positions such as ½ time EIP teacher or media center parapro (school/ principal choice)
- Conway would like to hire EIP teacher full time next year (FCS pay for ½ time EIP) & media center para
- Rest of budget spent on materials and supplies (\$100 per teacher), copy paper, technology subscriptions, etc.

7:28AM Informational Item: Debrief Advisory Council Notes (Jamie Lou Lowe/All Members)

- Proposed draft of student instructional calendar (2027-28) discussed- opportunity for feedback given to community- Lowe believes it was approved since last Advisory Council Meeting
- FCS submitting a renewal application for a charter school system
- FCS teacher retention rate currently 97%
- Q&A topics: discussed ROTC presentation including weaponry (fake rifle) at school campus presentation- Looney took concerns into consideration, but gave decision back to local school; structure of Fulton Academy of Virtual Excellence (FAVE) and discussion of having it merged with Fulton Virtual Academy for cost effectiveness; challenges to local 'Fair Share' requirements (where larger school districts give back to smaller districts) discussed; parent of HS student presented concerns regarding politics and freedom of speech; FCS reviewing 23 items through GLIDE to consider for strategic financial budgeting

7:34AM Discussion Item: Charter Dollar Expenditure Proposals (Lydia Conway/ All Members)

- \$5K already spent to purchase 2 SWIVLs for classroom instruction
- Would like to spend additional SGC dollars for an overlay of curriculum support in writing
- Conway visited State Bridge Crossing Elementary to review their writing supports (observed Kindergarten & 5th grade)- helps with cross grade level flow of writing skills
- 3 budget item proposals:
 - 1) Step Up to Writing (5th Ed)- would purchase 6 teacher editions AND online kit access to all teachers/ students- \$ 2,520
 - 2) Magnets for classroom -\$22
 - 3) Ink Cartridges/ laminating supplies/etc- \$500

7:45AM Action Item: Approve Charter Dollar Expenditure Proposals (Sara Denison)

Motion: Erin Hammond

Second- Jamie Lou Lowe

All Approved

7:46AM Informational Item: Midyear Data Dive (Lydia Conway)

- Strategic Action Plan Mid-Year Data Update presented: projected to achieve Milestones proficiency this year (target of 75% of students); underperformed in Zone 5 non-title schools on Write Score in 3rd grade, but 4th and 5th appear to be performing on Write Score/ projected to achieve proficiency on Milestones in math; on track to meet goal of decreasing # of office referrals (only 66 referrals at mid-year)
- Recent High score for building cleanliness given to RNE
- RNE received every award at recent Zone 5 Principals meeting with Board President

7:57AM Informational Item: Principal's Update (Lydia Conway)

- 2025 "Coffee Chats" have been the most successful to date- most well attended
- iReady chat was well received and Ms. Thompson did a wonderful job presenting & answering questions
- Anxiety chat was well attended as well with presenter from Chris 180
- Conway would like to do 1-2 more chats this year: discussed topics of Resiliency, Safety & Security, Slang & Social Trends- or a combination of topics
- Conway will reach out to Roswell Police about coming for the next chat (Q&A style)

8:06AM Discussion Item: Draft Next Meeting's Agenda (All Members)

- Discuss future expenditures
- Decide on another topic for Coffee Chat, besides Safety & Security
- Budget updates from FCS
- SGC Meeting for Feb changed to 2/18/26 @ 7:15AM

8:15AM Action Item: Meeting Adjournment (Sara Denison)

Motion: Lauren Roszak

Second: Bill Hoban

All Approved

Meeting Norms: Silence Phones, Be Respectful of Others' Opinions, Work for the good of all Students