



School Advisory Council Minutes of Meeting

Clayton Elementary School

DATE 3-26-26

MEETING TIME 9:07 a.m.

MEETING LOCATION Conference Room

MEETING CALLED BY	Valerie Lowery
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular Meeting
PRINCIPAL	Valerie Lowery
NOTE TAKER	Sandy McPherson
BOARD ATTENDEES	Taylor Ingram, Lindsay Loden, Hope McGhee, Robert Harris, Sandy McPherson, and Cheyenne Armstrong
GUEST ATTENDEESS	

Agenda Items

TIME ALLOTTED 15 minutes **TOPIC** Board Business Briefs

PRESENTER Valerie Lowery

DISCUSSION	Mrs. Lowery welcomed all council members and reviewed the meeting agenda. The review of March’s 2026 Board Meeting Recap, Board Business Briefs, was shared and discussed with members.		
CONCLUSIONS	Members were encouraged to read full details of the board meeting recap at the Cherokee County website under Board of Education.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

TIME ALLOTTED 15 minutes **TOPIC** Looking Ahead to 2026-27

PRESENTER Valerie Lowery

DISCUSSION	Discussed each key priority for the 26-27 SY and shared Mission Critical items, Budget Updates, and Investment Highlights. Mrs. Lowery shared how CCSD compares with other counties in various areas. The Elevate 2032 timeline was shared with members.		
CONCLUSIONS	The role of a long-range strategic plan was shared with all members.		
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE



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TIME ALLOTTED 5 minutes

TOPIC Principal's Report of Progress

PRESENTER Valerie Lowery

DISCUSSION	Mrs. Lowery shared various school events held through the Media Center, PE program, and student accolades earned by CES clubs and fair winners. Clayton was also named as a Georgia DOE Math Leader for 4 th and 5 th grade (4 th grade: 10 point increase; 5 th grade: 16 point increase).	
CONCLUSIONS	We are continuing to celebrate our successes at Clayton, and when we don't succeed, we make adjustments.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

TIME ALLOTTED 4 minutes

TOPIC Upcoming Events

PRESENTER Valerie Lowery

DISCUSSION	April and May upcoming events were shared with the members including EOY awards for all grade levels.	
CONCLUSIONS	3 rd and 4 th grade awards were adjusted due to the recently announced digital day on May 19 th .	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

AJOURNMENT CALLED BY	Valerie Lowery
TIME	9:46 AM
NEXT MEETING	May 7, 2026 via TEAMS
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