R.M. Moore Elementary STEM Academy| 2026-2027 SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

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Date 9/11/2026 | Time 8:00AM | Meeting location Front Office

Meeting called by Kim Moody
RM Moore Assistant Principals: Shannon Thomas/Jennifer Dupoux
RM Moore Council Members:

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I. Guest Speaker, Mitch Hamilton
- Proposed Project List for CCSD- Education SPLOST- 2027-2032

II. Guest, Rodney Larrotta, CCSD Assistant Superintendent

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RM Moore Council Members: Shelby Gibbs (Teacher), Kelly Street (Teacher), Kayla Maurer, Samantha Watts, Katharine Byrom, Jennifer Bohrer
Notetaker: Kelly Street
Guest Attendees:: Rodney Larrotta, Latoya Gray, Josh Malcolm

AGENDA TOPICS

I. Introduction of members present

II. Guest Speaker, Josh Malcolm

He shared a proposed Project List for CCSD- Education SPLOST- 2027-2032.
-The penny sales tax, eSPLOST, is on the ballot this year. These ESPLOT funds help to support capital projects with expanding/renovation projects. These will be on the ballot on Nov. 3rd
-With the passing of this ballot RMM is on the list of proposed projects that could be implemented, if passed in November. Phased renovations to RMM are proposed to possibly be 2028 to 2030. With updates to HVAC, roof, gym bleachers, technology update, classroom updates, security applications, etc.
Question posed: Is there a risk of SPLOST tax not passing?
Always, last time it passed at 75% it will need a 50%+1 to pass
-ED-SPLOST tab on CCSD website is now available to see all the projects that have been supported since 1997 and projects that are ongoing and upcoming.
https://www.cherokeek12.net/ed-splost

*Question posed: Will these projects be out to bid during construction?
We will break it up to bid it out which vendor is chosen.

*Question posed: What was the final cost of Cherokee? Breakdown of state vs CCSD funding contributions?
The total was 217 million with 30 million of those funds coming from state funding.

*Question posed: Is there transparency on the financials?
Yes, they are located on the Cherokee County Schools website.

-Josh shared a student enrollment graph prediction. We have seen growth since 1997 until approx. 2021 and we are starting to see a leveling off, showing stability. This projection is due to maturing households and therefore we are looking towards renovations.

III. Guest, Rodney Larrotta, CCSD Assistant Superintendent- Cherokee Zone
Dr. Latoya Gray, CCSD Director of School Operations

- Rodney shared that his job is to amplify the effectiveness of our school's leadership team
  - How is this completed: Think of it as divided into 3 main buckets

1.instructional
2. organizational/conditions
3. relational

- Rodney and Latoya visit schools throughout the year to provide support. Within RMM's visits we are "set" with those three bucket ideas.
- How are we keeping our schools safe though? Safety & Security with preparedness:
  - every door has delayed entry film placed on the windows
  - all our staff have Centegix badges to help identify and prevent major crises through alerts within the schools
  - we follow through on every threat that has been reported with police assistance
    We have a designated officer: Officer Mendel
- We visit about 6 times throughout the year to hear the instructional plan and the school's needs. We help to bridge communication throughout the district.
  As a School Council you can help by-
  1. Providing Feedback- Make sure it is honest feedback
  2. Share the needs you see with us so we can provide feedback and support to our school.

IV. School Council Training/Leadership Qualities of Principal/Nominations shared by Mrs. Moody
Our power point was emailed prior to the meeting regarding the school council roles. Our chair rolled off last year and therefore new elections were held.
Secretary: Kelly Street
Chair: Jennifer Bohrer
Vice Chair: Sam Watts

V. What's Happening at RM Moore? Shared by Mrs. Dupoux

- Grow, Learn, Harvest, and Eat with AgVentures & Café
  Mrs. McFarland partners with our lunchroom to share food we grow for our students to enjoy during lunch
- Tribal Reveal Day
  The students loved seeing who their tribe was this year!
- Shrek, Jr.
  Production will be in March. The 2 casts are starting their practices already.
- CHS Readers-
  We love having our Cherokee High School students come share a story with a few of our classes.
- Curriculum Night/Title I Annual Meeting/Parent Engagement Night
  We had 120 families join this year. We truly appreciate all of the support from those who were able to come out and receive their activities to support their students' learning.
- Front Line Friday
  We have more dads this year and football players are joining in!
- Fall Picture Day
  We loved seeing everyone dressed up and smiling. We can't wait to see the proofs when they come in. You can access your pictures online currently.
- Teacher Professional Learning
  We have a designated day each week for the teachers to collaborate and increase their learning as well. These are held on Tuesdays this year.

- PTA popcorn and school store sales during lunch-
  The students are loving the school store and popcorn opportunities each week. These days rotate and are usually on Thursdays during lunch.
- PTA Spirit Night Opportunities
  Olive Garden provided our staff lunch and we love supporting them through evening spirit days.
- PTA Sponsorships
  We love supporting our schools and one way to do that is by supporting PTA. They have a few sponsorships still available if interested.

VI. RM Moore Student Club Opportunities shared by Mrs. Dupoux

There are many clubs and opportunities for the students to be involved in. The list of clubs at our school is posted on our school website. These clubs are sponsored by teachers in their extra time.

VII. School Safety presented Mrs. Moody

- Drills-
  We practice these, so we are prepared and each drill teaches us what we can improve on and what we have done well with.
- Safety Huddle-
  This includes the admin staff and Officer Mendel and happens every morning to discuss the day's activities and upcoming activities.
- Shut & Secure Assurance Check
  Admin uses this to check on safety and security daily and even multiple times throughout the day. The differing times throughout the day allow us to make sure we are secure all day and not just at the same time each day.
- Visitor protocol
  We understand the line at times can be lengthy in the office. However, ID checks are used for safety of each student.
- Item drop off cart for students and staff
  This helps to reduce the number of interruptions throughout the day. It is checked frequently throughout the day and the items are delivered to the classroom with as few disruptions as possible.

VIII. Curricular Initiative shared by Mrs. Moody

- Supportive Accountability Governance model shared
  Policy IHA: Grading Systems
  Policy IHE: Promotion, Placement, and Retention
  Policy IFAD: Literacy
  Policy IFB: Instructional Role of Student Learning Devices
- School Improvement Plan (SIP Summary)
- School Improvement Plan Goals and Action Steps for ELA, Reading, Math, and Attendance
  - ELA: We are still waiting for 3-5 scores 2025/26

  Action steps are in place to strengthen content and vocabulary through teaching strategies and meaningful academic discourse. Along with PLC collaboration and classroom support.
    - RIP: reading intervention plan; students in 3-5 for remediation to help students continue targeted and ongoing instruction

- MATH:
  Grade 3 surpassed their goal!
  Grade 4 close to their goal
  Grade 5 continuing to work towards their goal

  Action steps: academic vocabulary and using the resources and providing reflective practices to increase understanding

- We are using our 2 coaches to help support our students. Both coaches help provide our teachers with reflective feedback and learning opportunities.
  *Nicole Smith is our Literacy Coach
  *Sarah Armbruster is our Academic Success and Family Engagement Coach
- Reading Intervention Plan
  These are in place to help students build their reading skills.
- Excellence Elevated Celebrations
  RMM was awarded multiple awards at the last Board Meeting.
  Awards for 3rd math; 3rd math goal; 4th math; 5th math
- Attendance Update
  Our baseline was at 94.6%. We have shown progress to 95.7%. We continue to monitor the trends and are setting up meetings to help improve student attendance.
  - Vacation Opportunity Flyer for Families
    We created a helpful dates flyer so parents are able to set-up vacations where breaks/days off are available and match their needs.
  - Student Incentives
    - Monthly & Quarterly awards are given out. Each month we have a different award planned.
    - August: 10 kids were chosen for meeting our attendance requirement and they received free ice cream
    - September: 2 homerooms will receive extra recess- We can't wait to see who it will be!

IX. RM Moore's Beginning Of the Year CCSD Universal Screener Data shared by Mrs. Moody

- STAR math data & STAR literacy data & STAR Reading Data graphs were shared. These scores help us to build a guiding point of instruction.

1. K/1
   Strength: with text domains and computational math
   Target Area foundations of phonological awareness
2. 2/5
   Strength: foundational phonics and place value
   Target Area: text domains; adding and subtracting with multiplying and dividing

X. Exciting Collaborations shared by Mrs. Dupoux

- Georgia Ag Experience
  The AG bus is coming in October for our 5th grade students.
- HyrdoLynk School/GA Aquarium
  This partnership provides the 3rd grade students with opportunities for learning and an aquarium field trip upcoming in October.
- Reinhardt University Athletics

We love having them support our school and our students. They are even coming for field day support.

- Transition Academy
  Every week the transition academy offers a drink service, and the potato bar is coming back for our teachers soon. These weekly activities/jobs help to provide life skill practices for these students.
- Cherokee High School
  We love having the support of these students come back and support our elementary students.

XI. A Look Ahead shared by Mrs. Moody

- Field Days: September 15th-17th, with Sept 18th as the make-up date
- Conference Days: October 13th-16th
  This is new this year for us and we are excited to meet with each parent to share student achievement. More information will be coming soon.
  -Dismissal at 11:30; pre-K is a normal day.
  -Checking out will be in the office and the conference meeting place will be in Cafe
  -Cherokee Academy is not coming
  -Boys and girls are also dismissing between 11:30 & noon.
- Doughnuts with Grownups- September 14th & 15th in Café
- Trunk or Treat- October 22nd
  Each grade level team is planning a trunk for our students to visit. This will be in place of our fall festival and we are hoping for a great turnout this year!
- Red Ribbon Week- October 26th-30th
  We model our dress up days after Teasley and a flyer will be coming soon.
- Veteran's Day- November 10th

XII. Questions/Comments:

- Can we have an alert if students are checked out early?
  The system that runs the tardy program for us only has the option for absences. In high school they will provide the alert for what period they miss/tardies as their attendance is taken for each class period whereas ours is only with their homeroom teacher.
- What is considered a full day?
  If the student is here until 11:00 they are considered a full day.
- Are there conferences in the spring?
  Yes, they will be in January. The January conferences will be for middle and high as well.

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