# October 2026

State Bridge Crossing Elementary School Governance Council

*Start: 10/20/26 @ 7:15 AM | Location: Meeting Room*

SGC Members and Guests* Present

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| Ashley Perry, Principal | x | Holly Smith/ Community member | x |
| Shubha Raj, Teacher | x | Richard Reed/ Parent | x |
| Kristin Yann/ Teacher | x | Brittany Brace/ Community Member | x |
| Leanne Finn/ Appointed Staff/ Chair | | Heather King/Parent | X |
| Leslie Williams/Teacher | x | Bailey Oliver/Parent | x |
| Katie Lawson/ FCS Governance Council Coordinator* | x | Kristin McCabe/ District 5 Board Member and President of Board* | |

Meeting Minutes Summary

Action Items:

| **Motion** | **By Whom** | **Second** | **Voting Results** |
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| Approve Agenda | Reed | Yann | ALL |
| Approve Minutes (February) | Smith | Reed | ALL |
| Approve funds for Unit Planning Half Days | Smith | Brittany | ALL |
| Adjourn 8:30 AM | King | Brace | ALL |

Informational and Discussion Items:

**1.** Discussion Item: SY26-27 Council Initiatives (*All Members*)

*Focus is on SEC and ESOL population – It is a combination of Zone 6 goal and SBCE goal. The council is trying to see how to get additional planning time for teachers. The goal is to invest dollars in people to help students.*

**2.** Discussion Item: Review SGC Website for Compliance *(All Members)*

*Katie Lawson provided clarifications on when to post the minutes on the website. Minutes can be posted only after it has been approved by the SGC the following month. Agenda can be posted after it has been approved the day of the meeting. The website needs to have a short summary of the minutes.*

*Kristin McCabe will be present at the December meeting.*

**3.** Discussion Item: Debrief Fall Cross Council Meeting *(All Members)*

*Katie Lawson debriefed. It was held both at the North and South Learning Centers. The focus was Council engagement and initiatives. They had different activities planned for the participants. There was also a panel sharing their school initiatives. Ex. Vickory Mill has an attendance initiative that SGC was supporting it. All shared about their initiatives and how SGC is supporting it. There will be another meeting in the Spring.*

**4.** Discussion Item: Strategic Planning Update/Review *(All Members) – Ashley Perry*

- *Waiting eagerly for GMAS for ELA – Assessment department indicates score report will happen in November*
- *Admin is looking at data for Math – we went up in scores for Milestones*

- *We have done a lot in ELA – effectiveness will be measured after the Milestones scores return*
- *Focus is also on 5th grade Science. District had prepared unit tests for Science and Social Studies for grades 3-5 which are robust and rigorous. This year students are expected to take the Science test so we can track data across the district. Next year it may become mandatory for all.*
- *Our data for Math and ELA unit tests are right on track with the other schools in the zone.*

**5.** Charter Dollar Expenditure Proposals (*All Members*)

- *Mrs. Yann made a formal proposal requesting money for paying substitute teachers for unit planning half-days. District pays for 2 ELA and 2 Math units for all teachers of all grade levels. SGC needs to cover the remaining amount of approximately $8,000 so all units can be covered. This includes Sped teachers too.*
- *Fans are here and waiting for maintenance to install them. Building alteration requests have been submitted.*

**6.** Information Item: Principal's Update (*Perry*)

*The Marquee Sign cost Dolvin $30,000. The quote we have from Jan 2026 is for 25,000. It is too expensive a project and is being shelved for the time being. PTA has $10,000 for Capital improvement. SGC could partner up with PTA to come up with a common cause to spend the money. Brainstorming ideas on what to spend the money on – ideas are – upgrade play equipment outside the gym, build new gaga pit, canopy for play area. Money needs to be spent where there is a direct benefit to the students*.

*Starting Student Council – Mrs. Perry reached out to other schools to get ideas, their application process and what activities students do. Most schools have students grades 3-5.*

*SBCE celebrates 50th day of school. We will also be having the story book parade. All kids that dress up can participate in the parade.*

*Fall Festival was a huge turnout. PTA is hosting lunch this Friday.*

*We are looking for a long-term sub for this semester for a teacher in 5th. The position in 2nd is filled.*

**7.** *Discussion Item:* Draft Next Meeting's Agenda *(All Members)*

*Milestones results*

*Fundraising – Should we consider doing it? What are the pros and cons?*

**8.** Action Item: Meeting Adjournment *(Williams)*