E. C. West School Governance Council Minutes

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

Members in virtual attendance:

Name	Position	Attendance	
		Present	Absent
Jennifer Burton	Principal	х	
Vanessa Baker	School Appointed Staff Member (Outreach/Communication Vice-Chair)	Х	
Anatavia Benson	Parent/Guardian (SGC Chair, Principal Selection Vice-Chair)	X	
Chelsea Brinson	Teacher (Outreach/Communication)	X	
Ayanna Demery	Teacher (Budget & Finance Chair, Principal Selection)	Х	
Deneatrice Harrison	School Appointed Staff Member (Budget & Finance Vice-Chair, Principal Selection)	Х	
Kimberly Henderson	Parent/Guardian (Parliamentarian, Budget & Finance)	Х	
Courtney Kyles	Community Member		Х
Ronnica Nix	Parent/Guardian (SGC Vice-Chair, Outreach/Communication Chair)	Х	
Tunisia Thorne	Community Member (Principal Selection Chair)		Х
Jan Jackson	Zone 2 SGC Facilitator	X	
Stacy Perlman	Mountain Park Elementary Principal	Х	
Hannah Zey	Atlanta K12 Design Challenge Trainer	Х	

The virtual meeting was called to order via Microsoft TEAMS. Motion to call the meeting to order made by Ms. Demery and seconded by Ms. Baker at 5:06pm.

The motion to approve minutes from July 21, 2020 meeting was made by Ms. Demery and seconded by Ms. Baker at 5:07pm.

Informational Item: Principals Update:

Mrs. Burton began by notifying that uniforms are not required this year. We don't want to add unplanned items for families. Next, we have books...multicultural, leveled libraries! We have free books outside for student giveaway. We want to encourage parents to get some for home libraries.

Additionally, the district has a survey for families to complete. They would like to know will your child stay remote for 5 days or will your child return face-to-face. All families are required to complete the survey for each student. The default will be face-to-face. It will be sent out in the Tuesday Talk and Friday Follow-up. It is critical to fill out the district survey.

Informational Item: Design Thinking Cohort

Ms. Benson introduced, Ms. Stacy Perlman regarding the Design Thinking Cohort (DTC). Ms. Perlman introduced herself as the Principal of Mountain Park Elementary School. She has been working the K-12 Design Challenge over the past 8 years. It is a tool to do work, to get data from those involved, and to solve problems that are defined. Several schools were selected based on them having strong School Governance Councils. The goal is to apply DTC to the initiative to determine how to move forward. Ms. Burton added that as a STEM school, the students already use design thinking, and it is something that the parents and community can also learn to use now. Ms. Perlman advised of the DTC Bootcamp to be held online, October 7 at noon. Ms. Burton also advised that E. C. West will be the Zone 2 representative for this DTC.

While discussing training, Ms. Benson wanted everyone to be aware of New Officer Training. The Chair/Vice-Chair training will be held today following the SGC meeting. The Parliamentarian Training will be held Thursday. She will reach out to determine if there are other options available for Chair/Vice-Chair Training, since tonight's training conflicts with Curriculum Night. Ms. Benson also advised that new member/refresher training is listed at the bottom of the agenda. It is self-paced, self-driven, and available until 9/24/2020.

Our next virtual meeting will be Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at 5:00pm.

Set Next Meeting Agenda: Items to include on November's agenda are:

- Review Strategic Plan –Update the web page prior to December
- Finalize Charter Fund Protocol Proposal
- Outreach Committee to brainstorm ways to make families feel engaged virtually

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Demery and seconded by Ms. Harrison. The meeting was officially adjourned at 5:51pm.