

Sandy Springs Middle School Governance Council
Meeting Minutes– February 12, 2019
7:45AM-8:45 AM

AGENDA ITEMS

7:45-7:47 Call to order

7:47-7:50 General Business:

- **Approve Agenda**
- **Approve Minutes**

7:50-8:00 Principal Update/RFF Day

- **Be the Voice Program in schools.** Promotes kindness and empathy in students. During FOCUS time students have (student) representatives that lead the lesson and discussion.
- **Week of Kindness**-Run by SGA. Teachers really love letters of kindness that the students wrote.
- **On the River Magazine (Huntcliff Community)**- An article written by a student was submitted. Hopefully it will be in the March issue.
- **Carlyle**- Sends out monthly email and bulletin board updates as well. **Ray Melendez (property manager)**

8:00-8:10 Budget Update

- Budget reduction expected for 2019 – 2020 School Year. Shortfall expected to be approximately \$15,000
- SSCMS Teachers should not be affected by the shortfall. Expected ration of Teachers to Students will be 1 – 23.
- Support positions may be affected but can be funded by rolling over unspent Flex Funds into next year. Estimate of Flex Funds to be rolled over is approximately \$70,000
- Funds for the Library Renovation/Scholastic Reader project will not be included in the rolled over Flex Funds.
- **Special Budget Committee/Council Meeting to present will be on 2/28 at 7:45 am.**

8:10-8:20 Strategic Plan Monitoring Tool

- We filled out the progress monitoring tool during the meeting. SSCMS is actively making progress in all areas of the strategic plan.

8:20-8:30 Governance Council Vacancy Candidate(s) – Status of Election

- Potential Candidates identified for current vacancy
- Mike Lindstrom to reach out to potential candidate on behalf of Mr. Campbell
- Melanie Couchman to reach out to parents in Huntcliff subdivision
- GC Members asked to forward Mr. Campbell's email discussing GC Membership to other parents

8:30-8:35 2019-2020 Calendar Review

- **RFF Days- All cluster schools must have the same dates. 9/13, 11/4, 1/21, 2/14 Dates need to be submitted to area superintendent.**

8:35 Proposed North Springs Governance Council Cluster

- We would like to look at dates at our next meeting to propose a joint council meeting for the end of the school year.

8:35-8:40 District to Confirm Mandatory Training Requirement for GC Members

8:40-8:45 Set next meeting agenda

- Special Meeting Agenda for 2/28 shall be separate
- Proposed Agenda Topics for 3/19 meeting: Principal Update, Georgia Milestones, GC Elections, Community Outreach, Dates for the Cluster Meeting

Important Dates

SSCMS SGC Meeting dates:

2018: 9/25, 10/23, 11/13, 12/18

2019: 1/22, 2/12, 3/19, 4/16, 5/7

Future Discussion Points

Allotment and/or retention of Flexible Funds – Discussed during the meeting

Meeting Plan
