

Barnwell Elementary School
Meeting Minutes – January 17, 2020

Council Members Present for the January 17, 2020 SGC Meeting: Martin Neuhaus, Savannah McGrath, Jessica Nelson, Michelle Bolt, Kristy Dell’Orto, Karla Lazzari, Tomario Rowe and Nik Volkov.

Guests Present: Lakasha Lee and Erin King

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:04 AM.

II. Action Items

Approve the Agenda for the January 17, 2020 meeting. A motion was made by Nik Volkov to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Kristy Dell’Orto. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approve the Meeting Minutes from the November 15, 2019 meeting. A motion was made by Nik Volkov to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Jessica Nelson. The motion was unanimously approved.

III. Discussion Items

A. Principal Report

- **Technology Update**

- IPADS due in this week for Kindergarten
- All new laptops arrived ahead of schedule
- 1=1 device in 3rd – 5th
- 2=1 device in 1st & 2nd

- **Landscape**

- County to remove Oak Trees/Bradford Pears in front of school
- Shared Landscape Architect
- Add Paver Stones to “B” area
- Funding through Foundation Boosterthon event in March
- Side improvements if additional money is raised

- **Safety Assessment**

- Review results with Safety Committee on 1/21/20

- **Budget**

- Review Budget during 2/28/20 SGC meeting
- Budget Training – two SGC members to attend January 22 (6:30-8:00) or January 28 (9:00-10:30)
- Budget Committee to meet prior to next meeting

- School Priorities:
 - Funding STEM position
 - RFF – Fund two fulltime TAG teachers
 - Itinerant Positions – helps us lower class sizes
 - Flex Funds amount/timeline TBD
- **Award**
 - Barnwell was presented with the Silver Award for a Georgia Milestones score of 92-95.
- **Elections**
 - Elections begin February 3, 2020
 - 1 parent & 1 teacher elected positions

B. Spring Cross Council Meeting

- Meeting to be held in 2nd semester
- Best practices from other council members
- Hear about other Flex Funds ideas
- 1-3 people from each council to attend
- Thursday, February 6th at NLC
 - Michelle Bolt & Jessica Nelson volunteered to attend
 - Sign-up on the SGC Newsletter

C. Staff Appreciation Ideas

- Brainstormed possible ideas to support teachers:
 - Extra time in from recess
 - January & March – sub days for teachers
 - Flex Funds for substitutes
 - Rotating Schedule
 - Gift of time
 - Teachers teaming with each other
 - Add a water machine on the 3rd grade side of building

D. 3-2-1 Kristy Dell’Orto

- Kristy shared Parents Bill of Rights from Dr. Loney’s meeting
- Fortunate to be at a school that already follows the suggested Bill of Rights
- Kristy also asked how we can encourage more bus riders

IV. Agenda items for next meeting (February 28, 2020)

- Budget
- RFF Days
- 3-2-1 (Jessica Nelson)
- Meeting Minutes (1/17/20)
- Agenda (2/28/20)
- Principal Report

V. Adjourn

A motion was made by Michelle Bolt to Adjourn the meeting at 9:16 AM. The motion was seconded by Kristy Dell'Orto. The motion was unanimously approved.