

Barnwell Elementary School
SGC Meeting Minutes – May 15, 2020

Council Members Present for the May 15, 2020 SGC TEAMS Meeting: Martin Neuhaus, Savannah McGrath, Jessica Nelson, Samantha Weaver, Michelle Bolt, Kristy Dell’Orto, Karla Lazzari, Tomario Rowe and Nik Volkov.

Guest Present: Erin King

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM.

II. Action Items

Approve the Agenda for the May 15, 2020 meeting. A motion was made by Karla Lazzari to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Kristy Dell’Orto. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approve the Meeting Minutes from the February 28, 2020 meeting. A motion was made by Jessica Nelson to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Samantha Weaver. The motion was unanimously approved.

III. Discussion Items

A. Principal’s Report

• **School Closure**

- Martin shared he was proud of our teachers and community for all their time and support making the Remote Learning work.
- Student engagement for Barnwell was 99% of students completed their assignments or participated in Digital Learning.
- Fulton County was at approximately 80% completion of assignments.
- School in the fall has not been decided but will be one of the following:
 1. Traditional return to school in August (with modifications)
 2. Remote Learning (with modifications)
 3. Hybrid of both models

• **Summer Learning Opportunities**

- Virtual Learning 6/3 – 6/15
- Blended Learning 7/7 – 7/31

- **Calendar Changes 2020-2021**
 - No RFF days moving forward – all schools will follow the FC calendar
 - 8 late start days – 3rd or 4th Mondays of each month (1st hour of each day)
- **Flex Funds 2020-2021**
 - Not sure of Flex Funds amount or if schools will receive these
 - Carryover of \$13,600 – will go into general budget
- **Council Survey Results**
 - Strongly agree Council was doing the work
 - Not surprised with results
 - Thank you to the council for always being positive problem solvers
 - How do we do a better job of communicating?
- **New Barnwell ES website (Martin review website)**
 - Our new Barnwell website will go live by June 1st.

B. Safety Grant update

- \$22,000 for door locks on all classroom doors.
- Original completion date of June 1st will not be met as the manufacturer is not able to get lock sets from plant that was shut down.
- An extension to complete the project was by June 15th – 18th was given.
- Speed bumps purchased to help with traffic control. City of Johns Creek to install speed bumps at no charge upon completion of their turn lane/carpool widening project this summer.

C. Council Changes for 20-21

- Thank you to Samantha Weaver and Savannah McGrath. They are moving off the council as their terms are up! Michelle Bolt (Council Chair) will be resigning as she has accepted a teaching position at Northwood Elementary.
- Welcome Breana Rounds (Teacher elected)!
- New staff/community member appointment at first 20-21 SGC meeting. Martin will recommend Stephanie Beckles (staff member) and Tomario Rowe as community member for the 2020-2021 school year.

- Kristy Dell'Orto agreed to be the council chair for 2020-2021 and will be voted in at that time.

D. 3-2-1 (Allison Townsend)

- Allison shared her experience as a Remote Learning Teacher.
 - Classroom focused on individual students
 - Comments were different from parents – some thought their child needed more and others said too much and needed to slow down.
- Allison shared results from a community survey.
 - Too many platforms
 - Parents thought teachers were doing a great job
- Allison's questions were:
 - Do you agree?
 - Was your experience similar?
 - Parents and teachers all agreed – some figured it out as they went along. Teachers enjoyed the morning meetings – it was good for social and emotional health.

IV. Agenda Items for next meeting (August 7th at 8:00 AM)

- Elect Officers
- Committees
- Fulton County Updates (lots of info in June/July)
- 3-2-1 Karla Lazzari

V. Adjourn

- A motion was made by Michelle Bolt to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 AM. The motion was seconded by Jessica Nelson. The motion was unanimously approved.