



AGENDA

Spalding Drive Elementary School Governance Council

Date | time 1/26/2021 | 7:20am | Location Virtual
SGC Website: <https://www.fultonschools.org/domain/3340>

Public may attend the meeting by joining this link: <https://bit.ly/3itkjUv>

SGC Members

Lynn Johnson, Principal | Kimberly Parkman, Elected Parent | Nicole Waller, Elected Parent (Chair) | Simone Warner, Elected Parent | Melany Jsames, Elected Teacher (Outreach and Communications Chair) | Erin Sandell, Elected Teacher (Budget and Finance Chair) | Chris Calnin, Community Representative | Mike Perry, Community Representative | Tanner Lowery, Appointed School-Based Employee (Vice-Chair) | Lisa Jeffcoat, Appointed School-based Employee (Parliamentarian)

In Attendance: Lynn Johnson, Melany Jsames, Tanner Lowery, Kimberly Parkman, Erin Sandell, and Lisa Jeffcoat

| Time | Item | Owner |
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| 7:20am | Call to Order 7:21 Meeting called to order | Ms. Lowery |
| 7:21am | Action Item: Approve Agenda 7:21 Motion to approve 1 st – Jsames 2 nd – Sandell | Ms. Lowery |
| 7:23am | Action Item: Approve December 2020 Meeting Minutes 7:22 Motion to approve minutes 1 st – Jsames 2 nd – Sandell | Ms. Lowery |
| 7:25am | Informational Item: Principal Update 7:22 (Johnson) – We are ACCESS testing for ESOL students. Virtual students can opt out of testing; however, you cannot test out of ESOL if you do not take the ACCESS test. Virtual school registration is open. We do not know if there will be a virtual option within schools next year. The new virtual school will be open to grades 3-12. More information to come about this. It does seem early for parents to make this decision, but schools need to know student enrollment numbers for staffing purposes. Middle school placements are being worked on by Ms. Arias and Ms. Jeffcoat right now. Virtual field trips for grade levels are also being scheduled. There is an upcoming meeting on different RFFs. | Ms. Johnson |
| 7:35am | Strategic Plan Pillar #4: Fiscal Responsibility Informational Item: Update on Charter Dollar spending and current state of school budget. <i>School budget must be voted on approved at next SGC meeting on Feb 23, 2021.</i> 7:26 (Johnson) A budget meeting needs to be scheduled by the Budget Committee. The budget should be shared with Ms. Johnson by February 9 th . All Charter Dollars money has been spent. Tables are out back near the gym on the edge of the playground. Wi-fi is accessible at | Ms. Johnson |

the tables. Jigabots are here. Training is this Thursday. We have 23 out of 33 iPads. The last 10 are on their way. We are excited about the Jigabot training.

Action Item: Schedule Budget Committee meeting for early-mid February

Budget Committee members are Sandell (chair), Calnin, Warner, Waller, and Johnson. Ms. Sandell will email the committee to schedule the meeting before next month's SGC meeting. This will allow them to present the budget at the next SGC meeting.

7:45am

Strategic Plan Pillar #3: Community Collaboration

Discussion Item: Ideas for enhancing community partnerships and family engagement
Set March goal

Ms. Parkman

7:30 (Parkman) – Son started in January of last school year in kindergarten before school shut down in March. They were new to Fulton County as a family. She was unsure of who to reach out to when there were issues or questions as a new parent. She was involved in her pre-k school's equivalent of PTO as the person who fielded questions from new parents. Her idea is creating a "buddy" program for new parents/families at Spalding. This would allow families to have a contact to reach out to no matter what time of year they started school.

Ms. Johnson shared that the PTO has a summer parent university, but this may not have happened this summer to the extent it usually does due to COVID. Ms. Johnson thinks it is a great idea to have a parent leading the "buddy" program as the coordinator. The coordinator could work with PTO and other parents to support new families. Ms. Parkman has already been working with a few families to support their transition. She shared that sometimes parents are intimidated to ask administrators and teachers questions. Ms. Jeffcoat agreed it would be helpful to have a contact to refer new parents to.

Ms. Johnson suggested to engage with the PTO to find out if there are any members who want to help with the committee as a next step. SGC members who want to help with this effort can email Ms. Parkman.

8:00am

SGC Elections to fill Teacher (Sandell) and TWO Parent/Guardians (Waller and Warner) positions for next year

*** Candidate Declaration Window: 2/3 – 2/26/2021*

Get to know the Candidates: 2/27 – 3/16/2021

SGC Voting Period: 3/17 – 3/24/2021

Ms. Johnson

7:46 (Johnson) – The Outreach and Communications Committee needs to meet to plan for elections. The declaration window opens next week (2/3). We need fill a teacher and two parent positions. One staff and one community appointed member are not finished with their term until this summer/beginning of next year. Ms. Warner is rolling off after filling Mr. Stotts seat. She can run again.

Action Item: Schedule Communications Committee meeting ASAP to develop a plan to reach parents and teachers that are interested in running for SGC positions.

Outreach and Communications Committee – Parkman, Perry, Jeffcoat, Lowery, and James. The committee will meet Monday, 2/1 at 2:45 to plan for upcoming elections.

8:15am

Informational Item: Superintendent Parent & Community Advisory Council Update – Parent Bill of Rights finalized and present to School Board last week (along with Teacher Bill of Rights and Student Bills of Rights); Charter Renewal process currently being finalized

7:52 (Lowery) – Ms. Waller will give an update at the next meeting. Fulton County sent out a communication about the Parent Bill of Rights last week.

Ms. Lowery

8:20am

Discussion Item: Set Next Meeting Agenda

7:53 Agenda items set during the meeting.

Ms. Lowery

8:30am

Action Item: Meeting Adjournment

7:54 Motion to adjourn the meeting

Ms. Lowery

1st – Jsames

2nd – Sandell

Meeting Norms

Be on time, prepared, and engaged | Everyone contributes | Focus on solutions, not problems | Consider all students in all decisions