



Agenda

Spalding Drive Elementary Governance Council

Date | time 7/14/2020 | 9:00 a.m

Attendee Link: <https://bit.ly/2YQ9x2l>

SGC Members

Lynn Johnson, Principal | Melany Bracking, Teacher | Erin Sandell, Teacher | Lisa Jeffcoat, Appointed Staff | Kimberly Parkman, Parent | Nicole Waller, Parent | Mike Perry, Community Member

In attendance: Lynn Johnson, Melany Bracking, Erin Sandell, Tanner Lowery Lisa Jeffcoat, Kimberly Parkman, Nicole Waller, Mike Perry, Chris Calnin, and Simone Warner

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| 9:00 a.m. | Call to Order 9:13 Ms. Johnson calls meeting to order | Ms. Johnson |
| 9:02 a.m. | Action Item: Approve Agenda 9:13 Ms. Bracking – Motion to add voting on a new community representative and to discuss uniforms to the agenda Ms. Sandell - 2 nd 9:14 Ms. Bracking - Motion to approve updated agenda Ms. Sandell – 2 nd | Ms. Johnson |
| 9:04 a.m. | Action Item: Approve May Meeting Minutes 9:14 Ms. Bracking – Motion to approve minutes Ms. Sandell – 2 nd | Ms. Johnson |
| 9:06 a.m. | Informational Item: Appoint Staff Position; Appoint Parent Replacement for vacated position 9:16 Ms. Johnson discussed how she asked Simone Warner to replace Mr. Stotts' vacated position. She will have a 2 nd and 4 th grader enrolled at Spalding this year. Tanner Lowery will be our new appointed staff position Added Community Member Vote: Mr. Calnin introduced himself to the council. He has been a resident of the Sandy Springs area for about 5 years. He works in the film and production industry. His older daughter was a 5 th grader at Spalding last year. His younger daughter will be a 2 nd grader this year. 9:17 Ms. Bracking – Motion to vote to approve Mr. Calnin as Community Member Ms. Sandell - 2 nd All members approve | Ms. Johnson |
| 9:10 a.m. | Action Items: Elect New Officers (Chair, Vice Chair, Parliamentarian) | SGC Members |

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| | <p>9:19 Ms. Johnson reviewed the officer roles. Asked if any members were interested in being the council Chair. Ms. Waller said she would be the Chair.</p> <p>9:21 Ms. Bracking made a motion to nominate Ms. Waller as the Chair. Ms. Sandell 2nd. All members approved.</p> <p>The vice chair position was then discussed. The role of vice chair is to fill in if the chair cannot attend a meeting. Ms. Lowery volunteered to be the vice chair.</p> <p>9:23 Ms. Bracking motioned to approve Ms. Lowery. Ms. Sandell 2nd. All members approved.</p> <p>The Parliamentarian position was discussed. Ms. Jeffcoat volunteered to continue in her role as Parliamentarian.</p> <p>9:24 Ms. Bracking made a motion. Ms. Sandell 2nd. All members approved.</p> | |
| 9:15 a.m. | <p>Action Items: Staff Standing Committees (Budget and Finance, Outreach and Communication, Principal Selection)</p> <p>9:25 Ms. Johnson reviewed the roles of the committees. Members chose to be on the committees as follows:</p> <p>Budget Committee: Sandell (chair), Calnin, Waller, Warner,</p> <p>Outreach and Communication: Bracking (chair), Perry, Jeffcoat, Lowery, Parkman</p> <p>Principal Selection: Waller, Sandell, Bracking</p> | Mrs. Johnson |
| 9:20 a.m. | <p>Discussion Item: Determine Meeting Schedule for SY 2020-21</p> <p>9:31 Ms. Johnson shared that past meetings were held at 7:20 to accommodate teacher and parent schedules. The council decided to meet on Tuesdays. The following are the scheduled meeting dates for the 20-21 school year:</p> <p>August 25</p> <p>September 22</p> <p>October 27 (public comment)</p> <p>December 1</p> <p>January 26 (public comment)</p> <p>February 23</p> <p>March 23 (public comment)</p> <p>May 11</p> | All Members |
| 9:25 a.m. | <p>Informational Item: Principal's Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure all members can access SGC Teams • Plan for Face to Face Instruction | Ms. Johnson |
| | <p>9:39 Ms. Johnson shared that it's been an interesting summer. As of today, Dr. Looney is still planning for face-to-face instruction. Ms. Johnson has been working on details this summer to address needs of Face to Face (f2f) Instruction. She is meeting with parents this afternoon to go over details of what f2f will look like at Spalding. Dr. Looney will be announcing this afternoon at the board meeting that TAG will be added to the Virtual Learning option. The county believes the number of students doing virtual will increase after the TAG announcement is made. As of right now, 28 students are signed up for Virtual Learning from Spalding. The county is looking to move 120 teachers to virtual teaching. We do not know how</p> | |

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| | <p>this will impact staffing at Spalding. If students sign up for the virtual option, those students are still considered part of our school. Ms. Johnson has held off on emailing parents who their child’s teacher will be due to these ongoing changes. Ms. Waller, Ms. Swerdlin, and Ms. Parkman plan to join Ms. Johnson’s live meeting this afternoon. Parents had the opportunity to email their questions before today’s meeting so they can be addressed by Ms. Johnson. Ms. Johnson also discussed the matrix the county has created for how to handle staff and student confirmed cases.</p> <p>She then shared with the new members about how to access their new Fulton email address and where to locate minutes, agendas, and other pertinent documents on our SGC Teams site. Ms. Waller asked if Dr. Looney’s plan is that schools won’t be closed until a Covid diagnosis occurs in a school. As of right now, that is the case. Ms. Johnson shared that we still have 4 weeks until school starts. Ms. Waller said parents want certainty about what is happening. She asked if she can still serve on SGC if she puts her child in Virtual. She is concerned about what happens if you put your child in Virtual to start the year and then Spalding shuts down after 2 weeks. Ms. Waller said it would be ideal for teachers to be focusing on creating robust virtual instruction right now if the county would move forward with Universal Remote Learning. Ms. Johnson acknowledged that parents are frustrated and concerned.</p> <p>Added Uniform Action Item: Some parents have asked if we should have students wear uniforms. Ms. Bracking shared that uniforms and school supplies can be a financial burden at the start of the school year. She doesn’t want to purchase uniforms if her child is going to end up in Universal Remote Learning at home. 68% of parents wanted uniforms when the survey was put out last year, but now parents are concerned about spending money for this year’s uniforms not knowing what is going to happen with potential school closure. Ms. Waller shared that we should leave things as is. There is a lot of uncertainty right now, so it would be nice to keep something the same. Ms. Johnson shared that Ms. Arias had said it would be good for the kids to have something be the same as usual when they return to school. Ms. Johnson said she will caution parents to buy only what they need to start the year. Ms. Bracking suggested telling parents to hold off on buying uniforms for a couple of weeks.</p> <p>10:04 Ms. Waller - Motion to vote on continuing uniforms next year</p> <p>Ms. Sandell - 2nd</p> <p>All members approved the continuation of uniforms.</p> | |
| 9:50 a.m. | <p>Discussion Item: Establish/Review Meeting Norms</p> <p>10:05 Ms. Johnson suggested we move this item to the next meeting due to running over on time.</p> | Erin Sandell |
| 10:00 a.m. | <p>Discussion Item: Set Next Meeting Agenda</p> <p>Pilars – Community Update on Gentlemen of Distinction</p> <p>Norms</p> | Ms. Johnson |
| 10:05 a.m. | <p>Meeting Adjournment</p> <p>10:10</p> <p>Ms. Bracking - Motion to adjourn the meeting</p> <p>Ms. Sandell - 2nd</p> | Ms. Johnson |

