

Abbotts Hill Elementary
School Governance Council
Meeting Minutes
May 24, 2021

SGC Members Present: Roytunda Stabler (Principal), Barbara Simon, Mary-Kathryn McCullars, Erika Eberhardt, Alice Lan, Veronique Wauters, Sanie Cedrone, Shalon Ryan, Dana Mantella, Erin King, Londee Boyd

Welcome

Barbara Simon called the meeting to order at 3:13 p.m. We will now begin our May 24, 2021 meeting of the School Governance Council of Abbotts Hill Elementary School. The council welcomes and encourages citizens to attend its meetings to become better acquainted with the programs of Abbotts Hill Elementary School and the role of the School Governance Council. This meeting is open to the public but is not a public meeting. Citizens are welcome to attend the meeting but must refrain from interruption or distracting the council proceedings. If there are any questions or information that you have for the Council, you may contact one of the Council members after this meeting or plan to speak at one of the meetings that reserves time for public comments. You can find the Council member contact information, meeting dates and agenda on the School Governance page of the Abbotts Hill Elementary School website.

Operational Guidelines and Permanent Norms for 2020-2021 schoolyear:

- Start on time, be prepared, and follow agenda
- Work for the good of all students
- Be actively and respectfully engaged in all meetings
- Respect ideas and opinions of all council members and participants
- Communicate to all in an open and transparent manner

I. Action Items

a. Approval of Meeting Agenda for May 24, 2021 (B. Simon)

Erika Eberhardt motioned for the approval of the meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Veronique Wauters. The agenda was unanimously approved.

b. Appoint Community Member and Staff Member Council Members

Dana Mantella to be appointed as community member- **Motion: Nia Cedrone moves to approve Dana Mantella as a community member and Veronique Wauters 2nd. Motion Carries**

Appoint a staff member-Damaris Morrow (We won't have to vote for the staff)

b. Approval of Meeting Minutes from April 26, 2021 (B. Simon)

Veronique Wauters motioned for the approval of the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Dana Mantella. The meeting minutes were unanimously approved at 3:15 p.m.

II. Discussion Items

Discussion Item: New Member Transition B. Simon /Dr. Stabler

a. Celebrate members who are rolling off SGC – Mrs. McCullars, Mrs. Wauters, Mrs. Lan thank you for all of your hard work and dedication. Parting gifts were given to members. In the fall we will have a welcome packet for the new team members.

b. Welcome new members (elected and appointed) and share transfer of knowledge- Londee Boyd (Teacher) Nia Cedrone (Parent) Matt Bodine (Parent)

Discussion Item: Review SGC Website for Audit (E. Eberhardt)- All SGC Websites must be in compliance with Georgia Sunshine Laws by June 30th, 2020. The G & F team will send specific feedback regarding your school's website to the council to support you with any changes that need to be made. Please contact your facilitator for any extra support. We were 100% with compliance on the website.

Discussion Item: End of the Year Reflection (Council Members)-

Review the Mid-year protocol and looked at the goals that we developed-

1. iReady information to help parents understand the importance of the program. We developed a Parent University on the website right now. Purchased iPads, and programs. We will do a family survey

2. Use Charter Funds to help support our reading goals. Purchased iPads, and programs. Look at iReady data and usage.

3. Bring the community together during our 20th Anniversary (Together we make a difference) We had a weeklong celebration with lots of fun activities that involved all parts of our community.

Next steps- Bring back Family Spirit nights at different places in the community and we are also looking at bring back some of the bigger events that we used to do. Should have a calendar together with the PTA for Year at a Glance. Nia Cedrone is very excited about bringing the carnival back also would love to see a craft fair. Londee Boyde suggests that we bring back International Night. Monthly SGC Newsletter would be great to go back to for next year. The Outreach and Communication Committee previously worked with the front office to get the newsletter out.

Discussion Item Set Next Meeting Agenda (B. Simon) –

August 3, 2021 @3:00 p.m. next meeting. Form new committees, elect new officers, and discuss trainings at next meeting. Also discuss the future meeting dates.

III. Informational Items (Dr. Stabler)-

Principal's Update- Thank everyone for another wonderful school year. So proud of the children. Students, Parents, Staff, PTA, Community Business Partners, and SGC all handled this challenging year so well. End of the year festivities are going on this week. 5th grade recognition will take place. We invited our seniors for a hallway walkthrough at the end of the day. The final walk is an Abbotts Hill tradition. It has been going on for 21 years.

Survey went out for public comment, and we got 11 responses. Students responded that they

love school and love being here. Parent response was that there is a lack of a community feel. We will bring our families together to make sure they feel warmly welcomed. Sneak Peek will take place as well as a small group meeting with new/kindergarten students. iReady is a concern as well. All students don't like it. We will try to find out why and what these reasons may be. Another comment was about the lack of multicultural diversity in our school. (ex. Books and celebrations) Another great comment that the school environment and community felt good this year. Thank you for your continued feedback!

V. Adjourn -Meeting Adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

Dana Mantella motioned to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded. The committee unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 4:07 p.m.