

May 19, 2021 Findley Oaks Elementary School SGC Meeting Minutes

Action Item: Call to Order

Amy Blackman called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm.

Motion Sharon Ferguson and 2nd Alex Almanza with unanimous vote of approval

Action Item: Approve Agenda

Motion Claire Graff and 2nd Amy Novoselsky with unanimous vote of approval

Action Item: Approve Meeting Minutes from April

Motion Sarah Campen and 2nd Alex Almanza with unanimous vote of approval

Discussion Item: SGC Survey (please complete if you have not already)

- Council Self-Assessment & Principal Survey*
- Was on the agenda for last meeting, but everyone has completed it by now.

Discussion Item: Review School SGC Website for Audit**

- Sharon Ferguson has everything up to date and everything Erin King asked us to complete on the website has been completed.

Discussion Item: New Member Transition

- A. Celebrate Members who are rolling-off your SGC:
 - Amy Novoselsky, Amy Blackman, Jillian Phillips, Claire Graff
- B. Welcome New Members (Elected and Appointed Staff)/Share Transfer of Knowledge**
 - Abdullah Daoud (Parent), Amy Sheridan (Teacher), Greg Baker (Parent), Sharon Ferguson (Teacher), Stephanie Donaldson (Community Member)

Action Item: Approve Community Member (Stephanie Donaldson)

Motion Sharon Ferguson and 2nd Amy Novoselsky with a unanimous vote of approval

Discussion Item: End of the Year Reflection (see page 2)

- Have we accomplished all the goals we wanted to?
- What problems have we run into?
- What do we still need to do?
- We wanted to focus on People and Culture and Community Collaboration this year
- People and Culture: Increase percentage of families and employees that would recommend Findley Oaks. We recognized and celebrated students and staff through PBIS character awards for teachers and students and through the “You Make a Difference Award”. We also started “Be the Voice,” which is a student led program for kindness, inclusion, diversity, etc.
- Community Collaboration: Walk to School, Spirit Nights, First Responders Parade, Virtual Fun Run, auction, International Night, and Fine Arts Night, PTA added business partners this year
- Our work supported the long-term strategic plan by having the Communications Committee reach out and get parents involved. Using the Charter Funds for safety purposes makes employees and families feel safer and might help us have a higher percentage of recommendations (People and Culture).
- The data that helps support the success of our work would be our monitoring tool.
- The SGC supported our school during the COVID 19 Crisis by finding ways to continue People and Culture Events and being flexible in how they were done. We made sure remote and face to face families were included in everything.
- We are going to continue to focus on People and Culture as well as Community Collaboration next year.
- We want to primarily focus on FOCUS next year so that we are aligned with the other schools in the county. We would like to look into how to get families and business partners involved in the FOCUS strategies next year as well. (This is flexible depending on more leadership from the county.)

Informational Item: Principal’s Update

- Findley was named GA Safe Routes to School Partner of the Year.
- Locks and fence were installed from Charter Funds
- Diversity books have been ordered from Charter Funds
- FOCUS website: www.fultonschools.org/FOCUS This describes what FOCUS is and how Fulton County plans to work on “learning loss” from pandemic
- ARP \$169 million- the majority will go toward Every Student Reads: We are getting a literacy coach position, and instructional para position, and grades k- 2 teachers get trainings in reading from these funds. Debby Sullivan is our new literacy coach.
- End of the Year Events: Character Awards, Field Days (May 20 and 21), 5th Grade Week, 5th Grade Walk (May 26th at 8:15 am)

Discussion Item: Set Next Meeting Agenda****

This is our last meeting and we will begin again in July, possibly July 28th. At this meeting we will set the rest of the meeting dates for the year.

Action Item: Meeting Adjournment-Amy Blackman

Motion Sharon Ferguson and 2nd Alex Almanza with unanimous vote of approval

Attendance:

Camille Christopher (Principal)|Sharon Ferguson (Teacher)| Pam Cessna (Teacher)|Claire Graff (Community Member) | Amy Novoselsky (Teacher)| Amy Blackman (Parent) |Alex Almanza (Community Member)|Erin King (Gov. Facilitator)| Amy Sheridan (Teacher)