



AGENDA

River Eves Elementary School Governance Council

Date | time 09/23/2022 | 7:15am | *Location* Office Conference Room

SGC Members

Matthew Donahoe, Principal | Kathy Pace, Teacher | Kristina Tull, Teacher (Parliamentarian) | Malena Bisanti, Appointed Staff | Karen Wunder, Appointed Community Member | Laurie Bolden, Parent (Chair) | Katrina Betty, Parent | Chris Fragale, Parent | Sara Parker, Appointed Community Member (Vice Chair) | Sophie Li, Appointed Staff

Time	Item	Owner
7:15am	<p>Call to Order</p> <p>Absent members: Malena Bisanti, Chris Fragale</p> <p>Motion to approve: Kathy Pace</p> <p>Second: Karen Wunder</p>	Bolden
7:16am	<p>Action Item: Approve Agenda</p> <p>Motion to approve: Kathy Pace</p> <p>Second: Karen Wunder</p>	Bolden
7:17am	<p>Action Item: Approve August Meeting Minutes</p> <p>Motion to approve: Katrina Betty</p> <p>Second: Kathy Pace</p>	Bolden
7:18am	<p>Discussion Item: STEM Sustainability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STEM Connections – Discussion of collaboration piece between the math and science teachers. Weekly connections are created based on current math and science standards (or other standards linked to math and/or science) – EX: It could be science connected with writing. These weekly connections are added to teacher lesson plans. Students keep these connections in the STEM sections of their binders, or in their STEM journals (depending on grade level STEM tool). 	Tull
7:30am	<p>Discussion Item: Family Engagement Initiative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal: To increase positive relationships with families to support their student’s educational experiences by creating a welcoming environment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Parent Connection Circles 	Li

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ First event will be October 14th with the theme of parenting and technology ▪ Second event will be on February 10th ○ The committee is also exploring other family engagement activity ideas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Off campus activities (ex: yoga) ▪ Interested in an October activity – possible park event or read aloud at the library 	
7:40am	<p>Discussion Item: Student Subgroup Data</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers submitted subgroup spreadsheets this week <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Special education, Hispanic, and Black – focused on lower performing students • Moving forward, the council will look at data to determine growth data 	Donahoe
7:45am	<p>Discussion Item: Family Engagement Promotion – Fall Festival</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall Festival – October 28th 4:30 – 6:30 • SGC members to have a booth to talk with community members 	Donahoe
7:55am	<p>Discussion Item: Community Input</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No public comment 	Donahoe
8:00am	<p>Informational Item: Principal’s Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the process of hiring a Kindergarten and Second grade teacher • Kindergarten para has already been hired 	Donahoe
8:14am	<p>Reminder Item: October Meeting Date</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday, October 21st @ 7:15am 	Donahoe
8:15am	<p>Action Item: Meeting Adjournment</p> <p>Motion to approve: Karen Wunder</p> <p>Second: Sophie Li</p>	Bolden

Meeting Norms

Silences Phones | Be Respectful of Others’ Opinions | Work for the Good of All Students

Notes and Reminders

Below are some tips and additional details about the items listed on the first page of this document.

- * **Setting the date, time, and location of your meeting:** It is a great idea to set your meeting schedule for the entire fall semester (if not the entire year) at your first meeting. Get this information posted at your school and on your SGC website and you will have already covered many requirements of the Open Records and Meetings Laws. It is important that SGC meetings are scheduled outside of school hours so that staff members can attend if they would like to do so. If your meetings will be held virtually, make sure to include a link so that members of the public are able to view the meeting on-line.
- * **Action items:** All action items require a motion, a second and a vote (even seemingly simple things like the agenda and meeting minutes need to be voted on). Remember that principals and student members are not voting members, so even if they are designated as an owner of an action item, the voting members of the council will be responsible for motioning, seconding and voting on the item.
- * **Discussion items:** These are agenda items that solicit feedback from council members. They do not require a vote.
- * **Informational items:** It is common for councils to receive updates throughout the school year related to the day-to-day management of the school or district happenings. Informational items are usually meant to keep the council up to date on important topics even if they do not fall under the purview of the council. These items do not require a vote.
- * **Running the first meeting:** Note that in this agenda the principal runs most of the meeting until the point at which officers are elected and the newly elected chair takes the lead. This is a great practice as there will not technically be a standing chair at the beginning of the first meeting of the year. (Note: if the previous chair is still sitting on the council, they are welcome to run the beginning of year meeting until a new chair is elected)
- * **Staffing your committees:** Remember that all SGC members should be a part of at least one committee. The Budget and Finance Committee and the Communications and Outreach Committee require a Chair (any voting SGC member), the principal, three voting SGC members and can have up to three additional SGC or external members. Also, every school needs a Principal Selection Committee regardless of whether they believe that their principal position might become vacant. This committee is comprised of the SGC Chair and three additional voting SGC members.
- * **Nominating a representative for the Superintendent's Parent/Community Advisory Council:** All schools are asked to select a representative to serve on the Superintendent's Parent/Community Advisory Council. This group meets monthly with the superintendent to provide feedback and receive updates on important issues affecting FCS schools and local communities. Meeting dates/times/locations will be sent out to representatives prior to the first advisory council meeting. If a representative is unable to attend a meeting, another member of the council can attend in their place.
- * **Drafting your next meeting agenda:** It is a best practice to draft an agenda for your next meeting at the end of each meeting to help your council plan its upcoming work. If unforeseen events require a council to modify the agenda, the council can simply edit the agenda and vote to approve the modified agenda at the beginning of the next council meeting.