

Esther Jackson Elementary School Governance Council
Minutes for October 24, 2019

Members Present: Regina Bowie, Rachael Lee, Helen Loiacono, Erin Shurbutt, Mike Thomas, Emilie Long, Julianna Pedraza

Members Absent: Nikol Boyd, Christopher Massie, Kim Sonderman

Guest(s): n/a

Call to Order: At 5:10 the meeting was called to order.
No public in attendance for public comment.

Approve Agenda:

- Regina Bowie motioned to approve the agenda and Emilie Long seconded.

Approve Minutes:

- Rachael Lee motioned to approve the minutes and Regina Bowie seconded.

Business:

- Council members took a tour of the outdoor playground space to determine the needs and possible location of shade structure.
 - As previously discussed, the shade structure could provide outdoor recess on days when the temperature/sun would otherwise keep the students indoor.
 - Council members agreed that providing shade over the walk way and extending between the two playscapes would be a good possible start.
 - It was determined that additional guidance would need to be provided from contractors as to structural and placement options.
- The Outreach and Communications committee provided a share out from meeting.
 - Discussion items included: drafting a mission statement for the EJES SGC, recruitment efforts and updates of new business partners, planning for a community tour to highlight the needs and accomplishments of our school. An event planning meeting will take place on November 7th, 2019 to discuss further details.
 - The council discussed highlighting business/community partners in the weekly SPOTS newsletter and titling the write-up "Spot"light.
 - Additional discussion revolved around "Volunteer Thursdays" an initiative started by EJ families who want to give back to the school.

- There has been a good response from parents who want to volunteer, however communication between the school and parents could be improved in order to best serve the needs of the staff.
- Julianna Pedraza agreed to act as volunteer coordinator for the efforts. Regina Bowie, Emilie Long, and Erin Shurbutt will act as school liaisons, as needed.
- The Council reviewed the Strategic Plan Monitoring Tool and discussed outcomes and initiatives for the Community Partners/Champions.
 - Council members discussed new partners for the 2019/2020 school year including PTS Spirit wear Dogtopia, Keller Williams, Veronika Barusch, and Taekwondo Generations
 - Ideas that were discussed to strengthen partnerships in the community included: forming a business council and utilizing families to help local outreach/partnerships.

Tabled Discussion Items:

Principal's Update and CCRPI scores

Approved:

- Minutes from September 26, 2019 meeting
- Agenda for October 24, 2019 meeting

At 6:25 pm Mike Thomas motioned to end the meeting and Emilie Long seconded.

Next Meeting: December 12 at 5:00 p.m.