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Principal

Hopewell Middle School Governance Council Minutes

1/12/2021 | 7:30am | *Location* Virtual

SGC Members & Attendance

Michael LeMoyné, Principal	√	Barbara Perkins, Appointed Staff, Parliamentarian	√
Liz Dinnsen, Community Member	√	Laura Phelan, Parent, SGC Chair	√
Matt Hill, Teacher, SGC Vice-Chair	AB	Jit Saha, Parent	√
Isaac Howard, Community Member	√	Geri Southall, Teacher	√
Farah Kashlan, Parent	√	David Walden, Appointed Staff	√

	Item	Owner
7:30 am	Call to Order	Laura Phelan
7:31 am	Action Item: Approve Agenda Motion: Jit Saha Second: Geri Southall Approved: All	Laura Phelan
7:32 am	Action Item: Approve Meeting Minutes from November 10, 2021 Motion: Liz Dinnsen Second: David Walden Approved: All	Laura Phelan
7:33 am	Informational Item: Flexible Spending Update We have funds to spend, so we will begin reviewing “wish lists.” Building administrators and leaders will survey teachers to find out what is needed. At February’s meeting, Mr. LeMoyné will have a list of items. Currently, we have the funds for 2 nd semester academic support through the care tax, grant money, and district support.	Michael LeMoyné
7:40 am	Informational Item: Extended Learning Update High dosage tutoring for 6 th – 8 th graders during the school day has been happening to help close gaps in learning. Recently, this has reduced to one section of 8 th graders online; however, we’re restarting our efforts by reaching out to families and students the week of January 18-21. This effort targets students who are at least two grade levels behind based on the December iReady Reading Diagnostic.	Michael LeMoyné

Amy Cousin
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Harris Quraishy
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Stephanie Sosebee
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7:47 **Informational Item:** Superintendent's Council Update Laura Phelan

- Some members were concerned about issues with the Teams application.
- ELA courses are starting new text adoptions for 2022-2023.
- The late-start days are being replaced by half-days for professional development. First one is January 24.
- A 60-question survey was said to have gone out to parents and students in grades 4-12. Laura mentioned that the student survey could have been shorter. The topic of the survey was safety in schools. She may have more information at our next meeting.
- Staffing issues during COVID were addressed at the meeting also. A total of 58 people were out from the Central Office on January 6. The Fulton County Board of Health mandated remote learning for the first week of the second semester. If school is not officially closed, teachers may not teach remotely. The same protocol measures for COVID that FCS used from the beginning are still in effect.
- The FCS response to threats has been nationally recognized as an effective model.

7:58 am **Informational Item:** Principal's Update Michael LeMoyne

COVID 19: Number of cases are showing an uptick, but not out of control. We could be on the downside of the curve.

Building protocols: 1st period starts at 8:15, so that students are not crowded into the gym or cafeteria. Lunch numbers are also reduced with alternate days of eating in classrooms. Masks are mandated in the building, and one-way hallways are enforced.

Miscellaneous Items: Planning for the building budget for 2022-2023 is underway as is transitional scheduling for 5th graders and 8th graders.

With enrollment dropping, we will lose a few positions and staff members. With some members retiring and others leaving HMS for other reasons, that will help somewhat with a reduction of positions lost. Enrollment will dictate the number of teachers for which we have positions.

The 8th grade dance has been scheduled for Friday evening, May 6.



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No decision has been made as to the annual 8th grade ceremony in May.
That information will be shared when decided.

8:15 am Discussion Item: Public comments (none in attendance) Laura Phelan

8:18 am **Information Item:** Agenda for February 9 SGC meeting: flex fund update,
Mr. LeMoyne will present the budget report, update from the
Superintendent's Council, update on academic support ...and February 2
is the date for SGC elections for the 2022-2023 school year. Mr. LeMoyne

8:24 am **Action Item:** Meeting Adjourned Laura Phelan
Motion: Liz Dinnsen
Second: Jit Saha
Approved: All