

SGC MINUTES

High Point Elementary | School Governance Council

Date: October 27th 2022 | *Time:* 7:30 am | *Location:* HPES Room 123

SGC Members in Attendance: Jessica Arnold, Teacher | Riana Kidder, Appointed Staff | Nicole Hudson, Parent | Dhaval Desai, Parent | Megan Eldridge, Teacher | Lib Roberts, Community Member | Danielle Miller, Principal. | Rachel Walker (phone – Parent Rep) | Ms. Marla Arnold (Community Member – “Everyone Wins”)

Meeting called to order at 7:32 AM – By Nicole Hudson

Action Item: Approve Agenda

Nicole Hudson asked for the meeting agenda to be approved. Nicole moved to approve, Dhaval seconded the move, and agenda approved unanimously.

Action Item: Approve September Minutes

Nicole Hudson asked for the meeting minutes to approve. Nicole moved to approve, Group seconded the move, minutes approved unanimously.

Discussion: Council Staffing

Ms. Marla Arnold (“Everybody Wins”) officially joined us as a community representative. Will Graham accompanied her. Dr. Miller asked Ms. Arnold to join (“Power Lunch” reads with students for mentorship / needs extra support). Ms. Arnold will join us for the year.

Ms. Megan Eigel (Staff Appointed) to take Ms. Zeller’s place. She is ESOL Lead. She’s also in the Leadership Cohort in the District. She’s very valued here. She was at a training this morning, and will join us in November.

Rachel Walker is the Superintendent Advisory Representative. She will continue to serve to do this. She attended last month’s meeting, and will share report out from that.

Next meeting, we need to add new representatives to our committees (ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING).

Discussion/Action Item: Branding and Marketing

We had success getting an article published on the *Sandy Springs Reporter*. We formed a relationship with a reporter from the Sandy Springs Reporter, whom we can partner with in the future for other ideas to showcase the school. Many thanks to Ms. Arias, Ms. Mendoza, and Dr. Miller for contributing to the article.

Another idea is to have HPES represented in the Sparkle Springs House Event for the Holidays at City Springs. We now have a contact, and are moving forward with a house!

Discussion/Action Item: Fall Cross Council Meeting

The Cross Council Meeting in October was attended by Dr. Miller and Lib Roberts. Dr. Miller pushed for backing of staff events (i.e. cooking / team-building). Goal to expand ideas, and have flexibility to how to spend SGC funds. **Freddie Benschine to follow-up with Dr. Miller on ideas. We want to think outside the box of ways to spend this money.**

There were a Matrix of ideas from this event for SGC, including a bullying pep-rally. Safety funds could be used like this. Cyber technology education with parents. We could sponsor these events as “Presented by SGC.”

Quote for decals pending (safety decals) for windows. It was decided to do selected hallways – will get estimate.

Discussion Item: SY22-23 Council Initiatives

1. Bench Shade Structure

- a. Following up on this, we have tabled this idea, so not pursuing further construction / build on this.

2. Ideas from Cross Council Meeting

a. See above.

- i. Pep Rally – to get the students pepped up! Getting them back on track. Ideas for themes include How to be kind? How to have a good second half of the school year? How to finish strong?
 - a. The Kind Campaign? “You can sit with us”
 - b. Grade Level check-in?
 - i. To help create a community and check-in?

b. SGC to help with “tangible things”.

- i. Messaging – “friendship, caring...”. “Branding”

ii. ACTION ITEM to discuss further.

c. Store concept to help incentivize // Nice store // PBIS Store

- i. Buy tangible items with points?
- ii. A volunteer would run the store.
 1. “Before the bell” // “Closes when the bell rings”

iii. ACTION ITEM – come back with vision for this in terms of location.

d. Cyber Bullying

- i. Dhaval will look for SPEAKER / IDEAS in the community from Child Psychiatrists / Psychologists and **ACTION ITEM - come back with ideas at the next meeting.**

3. Safety and Security Funds

- a. See above.

Discussion Item: Principal's Update

- All devices are here. 1st grade is 1:1. Pre-k and K are iPad (will have devices soon).
- Computer lab – county coming to remove things that are surplus. Ms. Sinnionysis to see furniture and see what she needs. Furniture will be dispersed.
- Dr. Miller would like to make center for our Staff. Create a “Teacher’s Lounge” area that’s really nice. Community building. Former computer lab.

STEAM Ideas

- How do we build on that?
- Bring an in-house field trip?
- SSEF
- Nicole and Dhaval – can talk and bring back ideas for potential opportunities (ACTION ITEM)
- Re-envision Title I night to STEAM night?!? –
 - RELY ON COMMUNITY PARTNERS
 - STEAM CLUB – 2nd Semester at HPES – could present projects done by students.
 - We could bring in people from the community.
 - Could partner with Ridgeview / Riverwood ES
 - Development opportunities. More to discuss at next meeting.

A. Budget Update

- a. We voted on \$160 approved – to replace Principal’s Office Blinds. Approved unanimously by all.

B. School Events / Updates

- a. No updates

C. Perception Survey Results

- a. Dr. Miller reviewed perception survey results. How our school community / stakeholder perceives us?
- b. Results reviewing – we don’t have questions to analyze but only have actual data.
- c. Categories were reviewed
- d. Parent response rate 17% (low)
- e. Title 1 Parent Engagement categories reviewed
- f. Discussion was held around results.

Discussion Item: Website Audit Review

High Point SGC Website was Reviewed

Marla Arnold – needs Fulton county email

Committees updated

Add Ms. Eldridge to Outreach and Communication – change that on website

Add Lib to Outreach & Communication

Change Eigel's email

Add Minutes and Agenda for September

ACTION ITEM - Dhaval will work with Ms. Clark – to website. Review at NEXT MEETING

Motion to end meeting – MEETING ENDED at 8:29 AM by Nicole Hudson.

**Action Item: Future Meetings. All in person in room 123 at 7:30 AM November 30th 7:30 AM.
January 25th. February 22nd. March 29th. April 26th. May 17th.**