

**Shakerag Elementary School Governance Council  
Meeting Minutes  
August 1, 2014**

**Members present:** Martin Neuhaus, Karen James, Sheri McMillon, Michelle Skalka, Rao Manekar, Russell Beane, Laura Benscoter, Jenny Johnson and Bindu Damidi; Lynette Baker

The meeting was called to order by Michelle at 7:30 a.m.

Michelle moved to approve the minutes and Jenny seconded; the minutes were unanimously approved.

Michelle moved to approve the agenda and Sheri seconded; the agenda was unanimously approved.

- Reviewed and set the NORMS for the 2014/2015 school year.

Principal's update:

- Asked each member to introduce themselves.
- Purpose of SGC to set tone and trajectory of Strategic Plan and the big picture of the SGC's role including hiring of principal if needed.
- Discussed handout of Strategic Plan; focus area, objectives and strategic initiatives.
- Discussed school budget.
- Discussed TAG training and organizing visits to other schools for TAG observations. SGC members are also invited to attend.
- Discussed Rosetta Stone Spanish language for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades, 3 – 4 times a week.
- Informed SGC member of new Area Superintendent – Dr. Rob Anderson and new Area Executive Director – Andrea Parham.
- Discussed Cage Busting Myth ideas, platitudes and traps for beginners mind.

Chairperson and Nominating Committees:

- Bindu nominated Michelle for Chairperson; Russell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- Future nominations were tabled for next meeting as well as waiver considerations.

Future Meeting Dates:

- First Wednesday's of the month: Sept. 3, Oct. 1, Nov. 5 and Dec. 3

Michelle moved to adjourn, Karen seconded; and the motion passed unanimously.