



**Seaborn Lee Elementary School
School Governance Council
Meeting Minutes
May 29, 2018**

(This meeting does not allot time for public comment)

9:12 Call to Order

- Attendees: Brown, Sutton, Ferguson, Harris, Geathers, Smallwood, Dockery, Knight (arrives at 9:18) and Briggs (arrived at 9:29)
- Brown read the agenda for the current meeting. Smallwood motioned to approve the agenda, Sutton seconded and all were in favor.

9:13 Review Council Self-Assessment

- **Brown:** What are other ways we can communicate?
- **Geathers:** Communications Outreach's goal is to reach out to the community. We must find a way to get the word out to the parents that do not read the website.
- **Harris:** Suggested Live Streaming. It is cheap and the community can see updates.
- **Brown:** Facilitator should come to one of our meetings, preferably the first meeting, so he can meet the newcomers and share his role.
- **Geathers:** She will make a note to invite him to come to our first meeting in the fall.
- **Brown:** Think about if we want to change our chair. Next year will be Brown's last year and it will be helpful for the new chair to ask questions.

9:25 New Member Transition

- **Smallwood:** Mrs. Harris is a new council member. Mr. James is coming off as well as myself. Mrs. Lewis will take Mr. Smallwood's appointed position. Mr. Carter will need to be replaced. Kevin Grimes may be a possibility to replace Mr. Carter. Mrs. Harris said that she can contact him. We are going to figure out if Mr. Grimes can be a parent and a business partner.
- **Geathers:** (Strategic Plan) District came up with the four pillars and goals. Initiatives are based on what we are doing at the school.

- **Brown:** SGC should be involved with the Strategic Plan
- **Geathers:** We have data to keep track of where we are going and how we are doing. Ms. DeSilva is going to do a workshop with PreK and Kindergarten and we can include the compact and give to the parents and explain it to the parents.

9:37 School Governance Conference

- Smallwood: Saturday, July 21, 2018 from 8am-12:30pm at Georgia State University Student Center East. The aim is to inspire, equip council members to lead and share governance. The goal is to have 300 members from across the district. They want 3 members from each council to attend, principals are invited, but not required. Harris, Brown and we are waiting on other's schedule to see if they can attend.

9:41 Principal's Update

- **Geathers:** SLES had an increase in third and fourth grade math (80% passing). Reading has historically been a challenge for SLES and the district. Focus is on K-2 to help with phonics and decoding words.
- **Sutton:** Voucher for ABC Mouse to give a foundation set up. Grants for students during the summer time for a reading camp.
- **Geathers:** We will work on the RTI block and identify the students that will need the extra help. We also need to move forward with seeking our STEM certification.
- **Brown:** We need to schedule our first meeting. We all agreed on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

10:08 Adjournment

- Smallwood motioned, Harris second and all were in agreeance.