



**Benjamin Banneker High School
School Governance Council Meeting Minutes
November 19, 2019 at 5:00pm
BHS Media Center**

Attendees: Ms. Rhonda Beatty Moore, Ms. Cherrye Bess-Branch, Ms. Yolounda Spencer, Mr. Jonathan Carlisle, Dr. Jason Stamper, Ms. Pamela Hudson, Ms. Franitha Jackson, Ms. Gina Foster, Ms. Rachel Myrick, and Mr. Xavier Shankle

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Ms. Cherrye Bess-Branch at 5:21pm

Review/ Approval of Minutes and Agenda

Ms. Spencer motioned to approve the minutes and agenda. This motion was seconded by Mr. Carlisle. There was unanimous acceptance of the minutes and agenda as written.

Welcome to Principal Stamper

Principal Stamper stated that everyone has been “very welcoming” since he’s come to Banneker High School. He said that he would like to work on improving student attendance and to continue to work on increasing graduation numbers. He stated that he would like to specifically “help students who are in danger of aging out of high school...help them get a plan.”

Ms. Bess-Branch suggested that Ms. Spencer and Dr. Debro meet with Dr. Stamper to talk with him about our current 90-Day Plan and our Strategic Plan. Dr. Debro is currently working on the BHS Strategic Plan. Ms. Foster mentioned that the district is about to make changes to all Fulton Schools’ strategic plans.

Physical Fitness RFF

Banneker will have to apply for the Physical Fitness RFF (Request for Flexibility) in the December cycle, because there is not one currently on file. December 13, 2019 is the deadline.

Ms. Spencer moved to put the vote for the RFF on the floor. Mr. Carlisle seconded the motion. The SGC voted unanimously for the RFF.

Mr. Carlisle will work on the Banneker RFF form.

Monitoring Tool

An update of all that has been done since August 2019 will be sent to Ms. Foster.

SGC Vacancy

Discussion of open "Teacher's Position" on Council

Election of new SGC Chair

Ms. Bess-Branch will vacate her seat on the SGC and her position as Chair, due to relocation during the Christmas holidays.

Ms. Spencer moved to vote on a new chair, and Ms. Hudson seconded.

Mr. Carlisle was nominated and elected in a unanimous vote.

School Governance Council Teen Summit 2019

Ms. Myrick recapped the Teen Summit that was held on November 2nd at The National Center for Civil and Human Rights in downtown Atlanta.

Mr. Shankle discussed the two main take-aways for him:

- Many schools go "above and beyond" graduation rates and increasing attendance
- Many other schools are seriously looking at culture and climate in addition to scholarship

Ms. Myrick mentioned the summit discussion of "flexible times" and how they are accomplished through RFFs.

Ms. Foster mentioned that schools from South Fulton had the most student participation at the summit. It was also mentioned that Banneker Student-SGC members will be working on projects with Student-SGC members from other schools.

Meeting adjourned at 6:22pm