



Perry Middle School

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Perry Middle School Council Meeting

Council Meeting - Location: Perry Middle School Media Center

The **Perry Middle School Council** meeting was held on Monday, August 29, 2022, at Perry Middle School. Dr. Burch sent a meeting reminder on August 22, 2022, with a copy of the agenda and minutes from the April 25, 2022 meeting. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Member attendance: Dr. Heath Burch, Dr. Jody Dean, Dr. Monique Lester, Melissa Wood, Kenna Scragg, Jarrett Davis, and Dawn Scott.

- I. Call to order** – Dr. Heath Burch, Principal, called the meeting to order.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance** – Dr. Burch led the Pledge.
- III. Moment of Silence** – Dr. Burch led through this section.
- IV. Recognition of Visitors** – Kizzy Johnson was named as a visitor.
- V. Approval of Agenda** – Dr. Burch asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Scragg made the motion for approval and Mr. Davis seconded the motion; agenda was approved.
- VI. Old business – Approval of April 25, 2022 Minutes**
 - a. **Approval of Minutes** – Dr. Burch asked for a motion to approve the August 30, 2021 minutes. Mr. Davis made the motion for approval and Mr. Scragg seconded the motion; minutes approved.
- VII. New business – Discussion – Dr. Burch, Principal**
 - a. **Approval of By-Laws** - Dr. Burch asked for a motion to approve the by-laws. Dr. Dean made the motion for approval and Mr. Davis seconded the motion; by-laws approved.
 - b. **Election of Officers-**
 1. Secretary- Melissa Wood is nominated by Dr. Burch, Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion; Wood approved.
 2. Vice-chairman- Dr. Burch nominated by Melissa Wood, Mrs. Lester seconded the motion; Burch approved.
 3. Chairman- Dr. Jody Dean nominated by Melissa Wood, Mrs. Lester seconded the motion; Dean approved.
 - c. **Set Meeting Dates for the 2022-2023 school year-** Dr. Burch recommended November 14, 2022, January 30, 2023; and April 24, 2023. The time is 6 pm.

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d. Personnel/Student Report-

1. 1037 students enrolled today, compared to 1080 last year. 7/8 portables are full.
2. 70 certified personnel. Filled a late position in July leaving us with a need for a new paraprofessional.

e. Report on the Opening of School-

1. Dr. Burch praised the completion of the renovations over the summer and the good job that was done. The building looks awesome. Teaching from day one with PRIDE time being devoted to expectations, mental health, and our mandated training (Bullying, etc.).
2. Mentioned school dance hiccup. DJ played a song that was not appropriate, Burch apologizes, and the following actions will be put into place; a song list approved before the next dance, possibly by the school council, new DJ for the next dance. 500 kids were in attendance with no other incidents and we will learn from this and do better.

f. School Safety – Kizzy Johnson, Assistant Principal

1. Our number one priority is safety. Going over safety plan. All information is shared with stakeholders. Code red policies, and code yellow in busy areas like the lunchroom. There is a safety team of teachers and staff who are good matches. SRO is a part of the safety plan. 3 safety go kits in the building. A new plan is in place for athletic events. The district is taking it very seriously and so are we. Safety Drill day was a success and we will have one more this year. Encourage kids to speak to someone in the building if they are having problems, bullying, safety, etc. Title IX, code of conduct...all covered in the first 15 days of school.

g. PBIS – Kizzy Johnson, Assistant Principal

1. This is our first year as a PBIS school, which is a teaching program. Reward program, but that is a small part. Use our time to keep kids in class, not putting them out. Talk to teachers about how to handle difficult kids in the classroom. The next step is training on Sept 6th.
2. Last year in the month of August, PMS had 50 referrals, this year 23 (7 bus related). What can we do to teach kids expected behaviors on the bus?
3. DOJO points are the tool we use for the celebration. Dodgeball tournament this Friday. No loss of instructional time. Reward teachers for giving points. Ask for donations of gift cards, and other giveaways for teachers for supporting the program.

h. Upcoming Events Dr. Burch, Principal

1. Softball teams are doing well.
2. Thursday is Open House- Title I meeting at 5 with Open House following. There will be a center set up to help with Infinite Campus and free/reduced lunch applications. We encourage all to apply to help keep Title I.
3. Digital Learning Day- September 6, 2022. First of its kind and will be used to allow teachers to dig into data and is not a loss of instruction due to the ability for online learning. Mrs. Scott wondered if parents were adequately informed; Dr. Burch will do a call-out.

i. Other topics brought before the council - Dr. Burch, Principal

1. None.

j. Executive session (if necessary)

1. Unnecessary

k. Develop agenda for the next meeting

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1. Dr. Burch asked for input from members and noted that they could send him information at any time to be included.
2. Tentative meeting date:
 1. *November 14, 2022*

1. Adjournment

1. The motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Dean and seconded by Ms. Johnson at 6:39 pm.

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