

# Minutes of School Council Meeting

Pearl Stephens Elementary  
Date: 13 January 2022

## School Council Members

Gloria Smith, Principal  
Malinda Rangel, Teacher  
Dallas Hardy, Parent

Debbie Garza, secretary-council  
Danyel Allen, vice-president-council  
Krystle Freeman, president-council

Pearl Stephens School Council met virtually on Day: Thursday, Date: 1-13-2022 at Time: 5:30pm

School Council members present: Kyon Cobb, Monique Dawsey, Melinda Rangel, Debbie Garza, Donna Hunter, LaKeisha Lucas-Ramirez

School Council members absent: Krystle Freeman and Dallas Hardy

2 members were present, which did not represent a quorum.

### 1. Call to Order

Principal Cobb who was filling in for Mrs. Smith called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

### 2. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Hunter distributed the agenda posted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

Moved, seconded, and carried that the school council approve the agenda as presented.

Motion: Ms. Hunter Second: Mrs. Rangel;

Vote   x   Yes        No

### 3. Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Rangel read the minutes of the 10-21-2021 meeting of the school council.

Moved, seconded, and carried that the school council approve the minutes of the 10-21-21 meeting.

Motion: Ms. Harrell; Second: Mrs. Cobb;

Vote:   x   Yes        No

#### **4. Recognition of Visitors**

Mrs. Cobb recognized our visitors:  
LaKeisha Lucas-Ramirez, parent  
Kyon Cobb, API  
Donna Hunter, Family Engagement Coordinator

#### **5. Presentation(s) to School Council**

None.

#### **6. Report of Principal**

None.

#### **7. Old Business**

- a. Reading of the October 21, 2021 school council minutes aloud by Mrs. Rangel.
- b. Ms. Hunter shared the By-laws through the chat box.

#### **8. New Business**

- a. Mrs. Cobb described the positions of President and Secretary, read the requirements and the floor was opened for nomination of president.
- b. Election of officers
  - i. President – Mrs. Cobb nominated Mrs. Freeman. Ms. Hunter will contact her and see if she will accept the nomination. All in favor.
  - ii. Vice President – Danyelle Allen still presiding.
  - iii. Secretary – Ms. Hunter nominated Mrs. Garza. All in favor.
- c. Adoption of School Bylaws for 2021-2022 – Mrs. Cobb reviewed the Bylaws and told what they are.
- d. Technology Update - CARES Act funds received from the state purchased laptops for students (Goal is 1-1).
  - i. Student Learning Agreement going home for signature
  - ii. Additional insurance can be purchased to cover theft or damages
  - iii. ARP funds used to pay teachers to work the after school program and tutoring program for before and after school.
- e. School wide fundraisers – Reading for Education begins January 18<sup>th</sup>. Suggestions for other fundraisers? Ms. Hunter will send home paperwork on January 18<sup>th</sup> explaining what it is. Mrs. Cobb reiterated about fundraisers for our school. We are taking suggestions for fundraising ideas for the school. Ms. Rangel suggested a hat day and a wacky day.
- f. Safety plan is in place and reviewed with staff and students. Mrs. Cobb reviewed this. Mrs. Dawsey has done a lot to ensure this is in place. Another safety drill and fire drill soon. Weather drill is next month. Teachers and students are well prepared.
- g. How do we increase our parent involvement? We had six participants which included administration, teachers and parents at our October 21, 2021 School Council Elections. Mrs. Cobb reviewed how to increase parent involvement. Ms. Ramirez suggested incentives such as gift card giveaways for parents.
- h. Mrs. Cobb reviewed SMOSS and what the plan is and why we have it. Shared the goals and action steps.

i. School Data

i. Fall to Winter MAP percentile data - We are excited about the growth that the whole school has shown this past winter administration.

3<sup>rd</sup> ELA- achievement 36%, conditional growth 96%. Goal was 65% or better.

Math -achievement 22%, conditional growth 82%

4<sup>th</sup> ELA- achievement 54%, conditional growth 99%

Math- achievement 36%, conditional growth 89%

5<sup>th</sup> ELA- achievement 37%, conditional growth 99%

Math- achievement 30%, conditional growth 85%

ii. Discipline Data - few referrals this school year. We have a few moved back to Tier 2. Issues from one bus was addressed individually. No ISS or OSS. Relationship with parents has been wonderful.

iii. I-ready Leadership Board – monthly tracking of student achievement. Any changes can be made through BST.

iv. Facebook live January 20 – Math Magicians

v. STEAM - January 27 through Zoom

ii. Adjournment

Motion: Mrs. Cobb; Second: Ms. Hunter

Vote: x Yes      No

9. No executive session was held

10. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the school council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:08pm.

Motion: Mrs. Cobb; Second: Ms. Hunter

Vote: x Yes      No