

Benteen Elementary

Date: 9/28/2020

Time: 3:30 pm

Location: Zoom

I. Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Andrew Lovett	
Parent/Guardian	Yajaira Chavez	
Parent/Guardian		
Parent/Guardian		
Instructional Staff	Michelle Partridge	
Instructional Staff		
Instructional Staff		
Community Member	Jim Williamson	
Community Member	Brian Bowers	absent
Swing Seat		
Student (High Schools)		
Translator	Betsy Cowell	
Guest	Christian Padgett (AP Benteen)	

Meeting called to order at 3:45

II. Action Items (add items as needed)

- A. **Approval of Agenda: Motion** (moved M. Partridge, second J Williamson.) Motion carries
- B. **Fill Vacant Positions** (copy and complete table for each vacant position) voting concluded 9/20/2020 new members have not been notified but will be before next meeting.

Vacant Position:	[Parent, Staff, Community, Swing]
Appointee's Name:	

- C. **Fill Open Community Member Seat:** Dr. Lovett has not recommended a new community member, will do so for next GO team meeting

Open Position:	Community Member
Appointee's Name:	

- D. **Approval of Previous Minutes: Motion** N/A

- E. **Review and Approval of Public Comment Format:** Public comment format presented. There were no recommendations for change. Motion to approve/adopt public comment format (Partridge) second (Williamson) motion passes 3-0
- F. **Review, Confirm/Update and Adopt GO Team Norms Motion:** Norms reviewed. No changes were recommended. Motion to adopt (motion: Partridge, 2nd : Williamson) and passed 3-0

III. Discussion Items

- A. Discussion Item 1: No discussion items

IV. Information Items

- A. **Return + Learn Plan Updates**
- B. **Principal's Report**

Information Items A and B combined:

- 2019 School year in review. Benteen had the second highest culture score in the Jackson cluster
- We continue as an IB candidate school and have submitted application for authorization. Our authorization goal is 2021.
- Expanded dual language to Pre-K and 2nd (DLI launched 8/1/2018)
 - DLI enrollment:
 - Pre-K 13 out of 26 total
 - K 30 out of 39 total
 - 1st 46 out of 55 total
 - 2nd 28 out of 42 total
 - Of interest/concern traditional classes have 9 (K), 9 (1st), 14 (2nd) and can no longer support combined 1st/2nd class. Benteen is working with the district HR to find another traditional teacher for 1st
- Benteen has 3 new DLI teachers Sra. Erazo (Pre-K); Sra. Cadiz-Skinner (1st); Dr. Sabogal (2nd) as well as a new DLI para Sra. Lopez-Melo (Pre-K)
- Transitioned to virtual learning
- We continue SEL every morning for the first 15-20 min. of the day
- Changes in Admin team: Ms. Free our new counselor; Ms. Partridge is serving as part time ELA coach and part time GATE teacher
- On track for enrollment projected enrollment even though we are under enrolled in Pre-K & K (throughout district) projected enrollment 245/actual 246
- We are working to keep our parents updated through the Benteen webpage, which serves as a one-stop spot making it simple for parents to find information.

- Principal's report and Return +Learn completed
- A. **Information Item Announcements**
 - Cub Scouts meeting his year on Zoom, further information on the webpage
 - GATE parent referral window closes 9/30/2020
 - No longer need to register for meals. APS is offering free meals for all students grades K-12
 - Gladstone apartments will be closing permanently October 31, 2020. We are working with parents of the 10 Benteen families that are still there to find alternative housing and referring families to Park Vista apartments. There is an article about the closing in the 9/28 AJC.
 - There will be a board meeting 10/5/2020 to discuss final plans for reopening.
- III. **Adjournment: Motion** meeting adjourned at 4:22 pm