

Meeting Minutes

Call to order

A meeting of J.W. Dobbs GO TEAM was held at J.W. Dobbs Conference Room on November 12, 2018.

Attendees

Attendees included: Chiquita Puckett, Charnita West, Kenneth Williams, Yolanda Womack.

Members not in attendance

Members not in attendance included: Zebulon Ellis, Cynthia James, Juanita Jones, Pristine Parr, Sharon York.

Approval of minutes and agenda

Ms. Womack called to order the November meeting at 4:13. GO TEAM members reviewed the September minutes. Approval of the minutes was requested and a motion to approval was given by Mr. Williams. The agenda was approved by common consent. GO TEAM members reviewed the agenda for the November meeting. Ms. Puckett moved to approve the agenda and a second was made by Mr. Williams.

Discussion Items

- Dr. West discussed our Care Center @Dobbs. The team brainstormed ways we could advertise the Care Center so we can get more visits each month. Some suggestions were putting flyers at the mail box area in the local apartment complexes, at bus stops, as well as giving to nearby churches. We also said that we can place yard signs along Jonesboro Rd. and at the entrance to the school. Ms. Womack suggested that perhaps we can partner with a nearby school. The last idea was the possibility of a commercial. The Care Center offers services such as immunizations and flu shots which are free for children and \$25 for adults. The Core team will meet on the 26th and the ideas pushed back to them.
- Dr. West discussed the STEM certification process using AdvancED. The process is streamlined, at your own pace which differs from STEM certification offered at the state level. The STEM committee will be having a meeting tomorrow to discuss ways we can reset as a school. What is our school-wide problem? We want to tie in our garden and clinic with our labs and provide 21st century learning with a global laser focus. The theme is "STEMulating Innovative Ways to Promote Health" and a school-wide schedule has been created for each student to interact with the garden. In addition many staff have commented that our school needs to look more STEM based professional learning to assist



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with implementation. STEM needs to be incorporated throughout the day in every core content area. For example during gym math by counting fractions can be integrated with physical education exercises. Students can look at biometrics such as body temperatures and discuss decimals.

• A request was made to anyone who knows of someone who would be interested in joining our GO TEAM to let Dr. West know. We are in need of another community member.

Reports

Principal's Report

- Dr. West discussed our school-wide goals (5 academic and 2 cultural) <u>Academic</u>
- 1. Data driven, standards-based instruction to develop students who think critically
- 2. Targeted professional learning opportunities to improve quality of instructional pedagogy and focus on the implementation of standards and STEM
- 3. Implement Social Emotional Learning. Dobbs students have a sense of learned helplessness and a need to improve interpersonal skills. SEL is implemented at least 30 minutes per day
- 4. Apply rigor of STEM through project based and problem based learning projects while engaged in learning activities that investigate the natural world around them to compete globally
- 5. Build community awareness, knowledge, and support for STEM <u>Cultural</u>
- 1. A culture of high expectation, trust, and collaboration that results in positive student, staff, and parent interactions
- 2. Adapt an attitude of serving as well as doing
- Dr. West discussed 2018 CCRPI results: We scored 60.8 in 2017. A score of 60 is the minimum. The state has adjusted the formula and 67.9 (the 2018 score) will be used as our baseline. Stakeholders will be able to compare 2018 scores to 2019 scores.
- Benchmarks many of Dobbs' students are still scoring in the "beginning" ranges in all subject areas. Fifth grade is the only grade that is administered science and social studies.
- Staffing Updates- Four open positions; one has not been posted yet (paraprofessional in Special Ed). One 5th grade position has been filled, as well as a full time para and special education teacher.



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Unfinished business

There was no new business.

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Announcements

College and Career Readiness Career Day to be held on Nov. 13th 9am-11am Atlanta Community Food Bank on Nov. 15th 11am Winter Holiday Program - Dec. 11th 6pm Real Men Read- Dec. 14th 9am-11am Next GO TEAM meeting- Feb. 11th Delta Airlines is APS' District Partner of the Year

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Puckett and second by Mr. Williams. The motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 4:51pm

Secretary

Date of approval