

Call to order

A meeting of the Finch Elementary GO Team was held at Finch Elementary School on September 27, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 10:48 AM by D. Trimble (seconded by V. Alexander). F. Taylor facilitated introductions and provided the purpose of school governance and the overall work of the GO Team.

Attendees

Attendees included Verble Alexander, Jasmina King, Joseph Dixon, Kamaria Finch, Aketa Wise, Robin Brewington, Diane Trimble, and Forrestella Taylor

Members not in attendance

Members not in attendance included:

All present

Approval of minutes

No minutes were available from SY17 final meeting. No approval made.

Reports

A. **Recommendation and approval of vacant seats.** F. Taylor noted the following GO TEAM vacancies:

- 1 Parent Seat (3 year term - 2 remaining years)
- 2 Parent Seats (2 year term - 1 remaining year)
- 1 Community Seat (3 year term - 2 remaining years)

The principal, Forrestella Taylor, made the following recommendation for seat replacements for the Finch GO Team

-Jasmina King (Parent Seat) - Approved (4 votes), Opposed (0), Abstentions (0)

-Joseph Dixon (Parent Seat) - Approved (4 votes), Opposed (0), Abstentions (0)

-Kamaria Finch (Community Seat) - - Approved (4 votes), Opposed (0), Abstentions (0)

B. **Election of GO Team Officer:** The recommendations for GO Team Officers were discussed as well as the descriptions of each position

- Chair nomination: D. Trimble nominated K. Finch (seconded by V. Alexander). Approved (6 votes), Opposed (0), Abstentions (0)

- -Co-Chair: A. Wised nominated J. Dixon (seconded by R. Brewington). Approved (6 votes), Opposed (0), Abstentions (0)
- Secretary: V. Alexander nominated by R. Brewington and she respectfully declined. J. King nominated R. Brewington (seconded by A. Wise). Approved (6 votes), Opposed (0), Abstentions (0)
- Parliamentarian: D. Trimble nominated by F. Taylor (seconded by A. Wise). Approved (6 votes), Opposed (0), Abstentions (0)
- D. Trimble volunteered to be the official Time Keeper.

C. Elect Cluster Representative: F. Taylor nominated V. Alexander and she respectfully declined. D. Trimble nominated J. Dixon (seconded by A. Wise). Approved (6 votes), Opposed (0), Abstentions (0)

D. Finalize Meeting Schedule for SY18: The SY18 GO Team agreed to meet on the third Wednesday of each month from 1:30-2:30 in the main office conference room. The GO Team will meet on the following dayes:

- October 18, 2017
- November 15, 2017
- January 17, 2017
- February 28, 2018
- March 21, 2018
- April 18, 2018
- June 20, 2018

E. Review of Public Comment Format: A review and discussion of the existing Public Comment Format was conducted. The following revised format was generated for approval:

“Opportunities for public comment are available for GO Teams to hear from interested members of the community.

1. *Stakeholders wishing to provide comment during GO TEAM meetings should arrive at the Finch Elementary meeting location at least ten (10) minutes before the meeting begins, and sign in. Stakeholders’ comments will be heard in the order in which individuals signed in.*
2. *Twenty (20) minutes of time during the GO TEAM meeting will be offered to the public to make comments. Each individual is asked to please plan to speak no more than two (2) minutes.*
3. *A maximum of 10 speakers will be permitted to address the GO TEAM as time permits or as motioned and approved by the Chairperson.*
4. *GO TEAM members will not provide responses or engage in direct conversation during meetings.”*

The four dates designated for Public Comments were finalized as follows:

- October 18, 2017
- January 17, 2018
- March 21, 2018
- June 20, 2018

A suggestion from the floor was made to provide a Finch Suggestion Box for stakeholders to share ideas/concerns. F. Taylor agreed to implement as suggested.

F. Annual Training (online): F. Taylor reminded the team of the online training requirement that must be completed by all members of the GO Team.

G. GO Team Summit: F. Taylor reminded the team of the Summit on Saturday, September 30th at Maynard Jackson High School. Newly appointed members were extended an invitation to attend if available.

H. Announcements:

Walking School Bus Planning Meeting/Voter Registration: Oct. 2

National Walk to School Day: October 4

Unfinished business

None

New business

A question was posed by V. Alexander regarding communication lines between the staff and the GO Team and how concerns/suggestions should be delivered. It was agreed that in addition to the suggestion box, an email account will be created for the Finch GO Team.

Announcements

None

Robin Brewington

Secretary

10/18/17

Date of approval