

## Hope Hill Elementary

Date: 9/18/24

Time: 5 pm

Location: Virtual

- I. Call to order: 5:15 pm
- II. Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Keisha Knight	Present
Parent/Guardian	Brittany Martin	Present
Parent/Guardian	Alex Wu	
Parent/Guardian		
Instructional Staff	Kristen Lyle	Present
Instructional Staff	Vincent Callender	Present
Instructional Staff	Nigér McMath	Present
Community Member	Carol Cooley	Absent
Community Member		
Swing Seat	Derrick Ross	Present
Student (High Schools)		

Quorum Established: Yes

### III. Action Items

a. **Approval of Agenda:**

Motion to Amend Agenda made by: Vincent Callender; Seconded by: Derrick Ross

Members Approving: All

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining: None

**Motion Passes**

b. **Approval of Previous Minutes:**

Motion made by: Kristin Lyle]; Seconded by: Vincent Callender

Members Approving: All

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining: None

**Motion Passes**

c. **Action Item 1: Motion: Addition of Cluster Rep and Optional School Uniform to Agenda**

Motion made by: [Vincent Callender](#); Seconded by: [Derrick Ross](#)

Members Approving: All

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining: None

**Motion Passes**

d. **Action Item 2: Motion: To Approve Derrick Ross as Interim Cluster Rep**

Motion made by: [\[Insert Name\]](#); Seconded by: [\[Insert Name\]](#)

Members Approving: 5

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining: 1

**Motion Passes**

#### IV. Discussion Items

a. **Discussion Item 1: Strategic Plan & Priorities, Review of SMART Goals, and School Goals (CIP)**

1. *By May 2025, the number of students scoring Proficient or above on ELA GMAS will increase from 28% to 33%*
2. *By May 2025, the number of students scoring Proficient or above in Math GMAS will increase from 20% to 25%*
3. *The CCRPI Attendance Rate will increase from 65% in May 2024 to 70% by the end of the 2024-2025 school year.*

b. **Discussion Item 2: Data Discussion of Spring MAPS and GMAS**

Utilizing current data, the **GO Team** will review & possibly update the school's strategic priorities and plan.

MAP: Slow but steady growth. ELA scores were the most improved. Math scores show areas of opportunity for continued implementation of intervention strategies that are needed.

GMAS Areas of Strengths:

1. ELA increased Distinguished from 5% to 12%, decreased our beginning learners from 52% to 49% and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade showed the greatest improvements ELA increased Distinguished from 5% to 12%, decreased our beginning learners from 52% to 49% and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade showed the greatest improvements
2. Science scores increased from 0% dist. To 10%. Overall improvements in all areas.

3. Our Distinguished, increased for 2 out of 3 grades, for 3<sup>rd</sup> it stayed the same year to year.

4. Gifted students showed the highest growth of 60%.

GMAS Areas for Opportunity:

5. 4th Grade ELA- the same cohort scored 55% in their 3<sup>rd</sup>-grade year in beginning learners.

6. Our ED students did not do as well as our non-ED by 2%.

7. DSE subgroup did not score well.

c. **Discussion Item 3: Optional School Uniform**

In the 2023-2024 school year, the APS Board of Education updated the [district's dress code policy](#). As part of the update, starting with the 2025-2026 school year if a school wishes to **maintain or explore implementing** an optional school uniform, it **must** go through an engagement process and have a vote as outlined below:

ELEMENTARY

A school uniform is adopted upon the agreement of the principal and a majority vote of the School Governance Team (GO Team). **We have one districtwide student dress code adopted by the Atlanta Board of Education. School-specific dress codes may not contradict Board policy. Students will not have their instructional time interrupted or be barred from school or class for declining to wear the optional school uniform.**

**JCDB Dress Code Policy:**

REQUIREMENTS:

1. A top of non-see-through fabric
2. A bottom of non-see-through fabric
3. Shoes
4. Undergarments that are not visible

RESTRICTIONS:

1. No words or symbols that are gang-related, sexually suggestive, obscene or promote illegal behavior
2. Nothing associated with alcohol, illegal drugs or tobacco
3. No flip-flops, athletic slides or footwear that doesn't support the front and back of the foot

d. **Discussion Item 4: Establish an Optional School Uniform Committee**

Pros, Cons, and concerns were discussed and involving the school PTA for engagement of students and parents.

## Formation of an Optional School Uniform Committee

**Motion made by:** Nigér McMath; Seconded by: Brittany Murphy

**Members Approving:** 3

**Members Opposing:** 3

**Members Abstaining:** None

### Motion Fails

Agreement by GO Team members to table the Formation of an Optional School Uniform Committee as a discussion item for future meetings after engagement.

## Information Items *(add items as needed)*

- e. **Principal's Report Hope-Hill Leveling and fy25 budget adjustment. Projected Enrollment was 371, current enrollment is 380. Due to the leveling process, the fiscal budget adjustment is \$114,345. Additionally, we received money for signature programming, turnaround, Title I and FTE Allotments. Principal Knight has allocated the budget to support Hope-Hill's strategic priorities. Based on our strategic priorities and funds we received, there was a break-out of the priorities focus areas it addresses, the strategies that will be implemented, the purchase request, which funding source was used, and the amounts. There will be additional support with SEL, Tutorial, and adding more furniture for classrooms.**

- f. **Information Item 2 School-Wide Expectations and GO Team Meeting Dates**

### **Big 3 Priorities:**

1. *Improve academics*
  - *More hands on experiences for students and staff*
  - *Using data to drive decisions at all levels*
  - *Giving teachers access to researched based resources*
2. *Improve culture*
  - *Nurture a welcoming and positive mindset Ensure new teachers have what they need*
  - *SEL sessions with counselor every two weeks*
  - *Assume good will*
3. *Improve communication*
  - *Increase clear and consistent communication- with team and parents*

- *Have 100% of families on Dojo*

4. *Dates for GO Team meetings were given:*

Oct 23- Optional  
Nov 21 -Optional  
Dec 18  
Jan 22  
Feb 26  
Mar 19  
Apr 23  
May 21- Optional

**V. Announcements** Rev. Donovan J. Pinner, M.Div. Associate Pastor for Children & Youth Ministries of Ebenezer Baptist Church volunteered for approval as a Community Member of Hope-Hill Go-Team. A motion to approve was discussed and put forward for a vote.

Motion made by: Vincent Callender; Seconded by: Derrick Ross

Members Approving: All

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining: None

**Motion Passes**

Rev. Donovan J. Pinner was approved as a new community member of the Hope-Hill GO Team. Levi won the E-Sports District Competition. The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual G3 Summit will be held on September 28<sup>th</sup> at Tuskegee Global Academy. All GO team members are invited, at **least 3 members** of our GO Team are expected to attend.

**VI. Public Comments** The floor was open for public comments. No comments were made.

**VII. Adjournment**

Motion made by: Nigér McMath; Seconded by: Vincent Callender

Members Approving: All

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining: None

**Motion Passes**

**ADJOURNED AT 6:50 pm**

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**Minutes Taken By:** Nigér McMath

**Position:** Secretary

**Date Approved:** [Insert Date When Approved]

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