

BROWN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Date: Monday, March 1, 2021

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Zoom Meeting & Facebook Live

- I. Call to order: 5.35pm
- II. Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Tiauna Crooms	present
Parent/Guardian	Shalonna Armour	absent
Parent/Guardian	Liqueena Hardnett	absent
Parent/Guardian	Shawanda Lee	absent
Instructional Staff	Antwain Anderson	present
Instructional Staff	Jacques Combs	present
Vacant Position	Vacant Position	N/A
Community Member	Johanna Leonidas	present
Community Member	Kelli Stewart	present
Swing Seat	Kimyuta Owens	present

Quorum Established: **Yes**

III. Action Items

A. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by: Combs Seconded by: Anderson

Members Approving: 5

Members Opposing: 0

Members Abstaining: 0

Motion Passes

B. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** *List amendments to the minutes: None*

Motion made by: Owens Seconded by: Combs

Members Approving: 5

Members Opposing: 0

Members Abstaining: 0

Motion Passes

C. **Action Item 1: Fill Vacant Positions: Tabled for recommendations from the board.**

Open Position:	Parent
Nominee's Name:	Susan Cobb
GO Team Members In favor	
GO Team Members Opposed	
GO Team Members Abstaining	

Ms. Crooms introduced her nominee Ms. Susan Cobb. Ms. Jacobi stated that the position open is for a staff. Ms. Crooms informed the committee that Kim Owens is no longer on staff at the school. Ms. Jacobi also informed the board that 2 positions are going to be open after July 1, 2021. The swing seat and staff seat. A guess seat was offered as a suggestion so Ms. Cobb can be in the discussion for today. Ms. Johanna Leonidas made a motion to extend the guest seat to Ms. Cobb. It was second by Mr. Anderson.

D. **Action Item 2: Approval of FY22 Budget**

Ms. Crooms went over large details of the budget and asked for questions after pulling up the budget for review. Discussed was about staff hiring and sustaining current staff, budget by function. New highlight was with computer science component for each grade level and hiring 2 new teacher and hiring 1 reading teacher. No questions were asked.

Motions to approve the budget by Anderson and 2nd by Kim Owens

GO Team Members In favor 5
GO Team Members Opposed 0
GO Team Members Abstaining 0

E. **Action Item 3: School Rebranding Ideas**

Ms. Leonidas asked if we would vote on uniforms? Motion to vote on school uniforms was made by Ms. Owens and seconded by Mr. Anderson. Ms. Stewart had a question about the cost, and it being supplemented by a partner or by the parents. Ms. Crooms mentioned that Cornerstone church and other organizations supported with purchasing uniforms for our students.

GO Team Members In favor 5
GO Team Members Opposed 0
GO Team Members Abstaining 0

Board will send Ms. Crooms the committee we would like to be on for the branding. Went over the outline of the branding informational sheet that was presented in the last meeting. Hiring has started for computer science teachers. Will work with Mr. Johnson at Big brother Big sister to give every student at Brown a mentor. Ms. Crooms spoke on Mr. Anderson brick idea to raise money for a scholarship to a student that has been in the Washington Cluster from k-5 through 12th grade. Ms. Crooms asked if we had any questions. Ms. Crooms also advised that we are having our last meeting today. Ms. Jacobi advised that we could schedule another meeting if we all agree. Ms. Leonidas asked about how advisory committees meeting are to be notified to the public. Ms. Jacobi put a document in the chat to help the board with meeting guidelines for the committee. Ms. Leonidas and Ms. Jacobi gave more understanding around work sessions for 1 agenda item which will be around uniforms and branding. Ms. Leonidas proposed a work session for each bullet point under school culture. Mr. Anderson asked to have a community at large and experts in the field to come in with the discussion. Ms. Stewart liked the idea about having a work session to get experts involved in our session. Ms. Crooms would like to make sure that people involved are true stakeholders with time commitment. Ms. Jacobi asked that we come to some type of consensus about the ideas that Ms. Crooms mentioned in the branding. Ms. Jacobi recommended a work session or just one more meeting. Mr. Anderson said he can share ideas but not to be on a committee for the rebranding. Ms. Leonidas would like to be on the rebranding committee. Ms. Combs would not be able to be on the committee. Ms. Owens can serve on the committee. Ms. Stewart will support the committee. Ms. Crooms will send us an email outlining the way she will create the branding effort. Ms. Crooms would like to have the vote on uniforms tonight.

IV. Discussion Items

A. Discussion Item 1: Cares II Allocation

This is a funding from the federal government to support schools in issues with face-to-face learning. \$299,000 will be given in this second distribution of funds to support the gap in academic success. This is the beyond the day and summer programs for 3 consecutive years. We will have tutors for or students by our teachers and this will give payments to teachers that volunteer. No questions asked.

V. Information Items

A. Principal's Report

1. APS Surveillance Testing for In-Person Staff & Students

Surveillance testing is a rapid testing of everyone in the building every Friday. The first test took place February 26th with 35 staff and 15 students that took the test with all negative readings.

2. Vaccinations for APS Employees

Marh 8th, there should be information given about teachers getting vaccinated.

3. Intent to Return Parent Survey

Some parents will have the option to have in person learning again. The window is open and student swill return on March 22 with over 90 plus students as off today. Adjustments will be made to the operations of the school to keep social distancing in place. Deadline March 8th for opting in to have students return the school. After that the remaining student swill must stay home. Mr. Anderson asked for clarification on the return of students being 90 plus and it was confirmed. Ms. Jacobi advised of a need to complete budget training and voting for GOTeam. We will have to have another GOTeam meeting to fulfilled the staff position within 60 days. Ms. Crooms asked for time to find a staff member, so a date has not been given for the next GoTeam meeting.

VI. Adjournment 6:46pm

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Anderson and 2nd by Ms. Combs.
