

Morningside Elementary School

Date: 1/22/2024

Time: 5:06

Location: Hybrid via Zoom & In-Person

- I. Call to order: 5:07
- II. Chair – Brooke Linefsky
- III. Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Audrey Sofianos	X
Parent/Guardian	Ben Knaebel	X
Parent/Guardian	Jen Lieb	X
Parent/Guardian	Brooke Linefsky	X
Instructional Staff	Carla Daniels	X
Instructional Staff	Amelia Morel	X
Instructional Staff	Allison Espelosin	X
Community Member	Betsy McKay	
Community Member	Rob Schuler	X
Swing Seat	Kareem Hall	X

Quorum Established: Yes

I. Action Items

- A. Approval of Agenda as Amended Motion made by: Amelia Morel Seconded by: Rob Schuler
 Members Approving: All Present Members
 Members Opposing: None
 Motion: Passed
- B. Approval of Previous Minutes Motion made by: Amelia Morel Seconded by: Jen Lieb
 Members Approving: All Present Members
 Members Opposing: None
 Members Abstaining – None
 Motion: Passed
- C. Approval of Meeting Date Changes to February 5th at 5pm Virtual and March 4th at 5pm Hybrid – virtual and in-person

- D. Approval of top 4 Priorities for the school’s budget analysis ranking. Motion made by: Amelia Morel Seconded by: Ben Knaebel
Members Approving: All Present Members
Members Opposing: None
Members Opposing: None
Motion: Passed

Public Comment

Kristen Cincotta – STEAM Roll-Out/Curriculum

Discussion Items

Principal Report & Discussion

- a. **CCRPI – the school’s “report card” for the state of Georgia.**
 - Principal Sofianos Presentation on the CCRPI data and information
 - Data on the CCRPI is based on the state milestone test scores
 - Principal Sofianos delved into the area of closing the gap which MES score is 80 – the lowest score for MES
 - MES has met the target in several areas –however, we did not meet the target in ELA for economically disadvantaged, ESOL students, and students with disability and in Math for our African American students or students with disability
- b. Principal Sofianos presents overview of the budget process to the GO Team Members (presentation posted on GO Team Webpage)
- c. Quick Review of the Approved Strategic Priorities:
Ranked Priorities for MES 24-25
 - 2. Focus on eliminating academic achievement gaps among student groups, including African Americans, Hispanic and Special Education student groups
 - 1. Imbed a data-driven, multi-tier system of support to improve individual as well as student group performance, focusing on both academic and social emotional learning outcomes
 - 4. Focus on individual student strengths and needs in terms of the whole child, including social and emotional learning
 - 8. Ensure that parents are engaging in school-family activities reflect the diversity of our school
- d. Overview of the Budget
 - Principal Sofianos will have \$8, 425, 448 to spend next year
 - There is a specific budgeting formula that we are required to follow
 - The school has to find the money for the majority of the positions, but there are some positions that are already budgeted for by the district that money is set aside for (I.e., the social worker, school psychologist, special education staff, ESOL...)

- Next steps – the GO Team will meet on February 5th and in the interim Principal Sofianos will be meeting with the cluster principals to collaborate on resource allocations, program expenditures, etc.
- Some additional questions arise about solidifying some specific details of the strategic priorities – Principal Sofianos will bring additional data to the February meeting to share as we prepare to examine the budget.

Announcements: Next Meeting Date

- Next Meeting Change – February 5th at 5pm Virtual and March 4th at 5pm – Hybrid - In-Person and Virtual Dianne Jacobi announces to the GO Team to do complete their budget training and that declarations are now open
- Ben Announces that the Midtown Cluster Advisory team has concerns about how STEAM is being rolled out across the cluster. There is a district meeting on the 31st regarding the STEAM and Ben will attend and report back to the GO Team

Public Comment

Laura Ulep – STEAM Roll Out/Curriculum
Zach Juno – STEAM Roll Out/Curriculum

Adjournment

Motion made by: Amelia Morel Seconded by: Ben Knaebel

Members Approving: All Present Members

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining: None

Motion: Passes

ADJOURNED AT: 6:18 pm

Minutes Taken By: Jennifer Lieb

Position: Secretary

Date Approved: [Insert Date When Approved]