

Meeting Minutes

Springdale Park Elementary

Date: 11/20/2019

Time: 5:30-7:00

Location: Springdale Park Conference Room

I. Call to order: 5:32

II. Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Terry Harness	Present
Parent/Guardian	Meredith Evans, Ph. D	Present
Parent/Guardian	Honora Handley	Absent
Parent/Guardian	Cat Hoelker	Present
Instructional Staff	Nakia Bryant	Present
Instructional Staff	Nathan Stephenson	Present
Instructional Staff	Yolanda Windham, Ed.D	Present
Community Member	Brian Knight, D.C.	Present
Community Member	Elise Blalock	Absent
Swing Seat	Abbie McCafferty	Present
Student (High Schools)		

Guests: 1 Present

Quorum Established: [Yes]

III. Action Items

- a. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by: [Brian Knight, D.C.]; Seconded by: [Cat Hoelker]
Members Approving: All Members
Members Opposing: None
Members Abstaining: None
Motion [Passes]
- b. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** *List amendments to the minutes: None*
Motion made by: [Cat Hoelker]; Seconded by: [Abbie McCafferty]
Members Approving: All Members
Members Opposing: None
Members Abstaining: None
Motion [Passes]

IV. Discussion Items

a. Discussion Item 1: Strategic Planning

Team reviewed proposed Strategic Plans and discussed each member's comments/suggestions. The following are the comments/suggestions discussed by the team.

Comment: How can we add a technology plan to support different learning styles? We as school need to think about we can balance technology in instruction. This could possibly be added to the technology plan rather than the strategic plan.

Comment: Journaling with writing prompts handwritten and then typed.

Comment: Include a specific target for lower performing sub groups. Members discussed how this could also marginalize populations of our school community.

Comment: Can we consider achieving STEAM certification as a metric for success? As member of the Grady Cluster we also need to understand how this aligns with our focus on College & Career Readiness.

Comment: Adding a survey measure to identify teacher retention and what can we do to retain teachers?

Comment: How can we incorporate partners in a STEAM night/week and International Night?

Comment: Can we implement two parent curriculum nights? Could the school possibly use technology to better facilitate these opportunities? Also, can we provide opportunities for parent teacher conferences each semester? Can we use student led conferencing? How do we have conferences for every kid? Is there an incentive to offer teachers to hold conferences during non-school hours?

Comment: Due to the number of students, isn't it worth it to add a second assistant principal?

Comment: What is the reasoning for full-time paraprofessionals if the quality of part-time paraprofessionals is good? What is the incremental cost?

The team will continue to review and develop the Strategic Plan.

b. Discussion Item 2: School Safety

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December 3rd Michelle Olympiadis will be hosting a safety conversation at SPARK regarding Ponce. The team also reviewed GDOT information regarding their Ponce De Leon Road traffic. The team also reviewed the SPARK Travel Plan developed in 2014.

Could the school consider using the loop in front of the Hirsch House for school buses to exit.

c. **Discussion Item 3:** Family Engagement Leadership Team

Several GO Team members attended a conference/training regarding Family Engagement Leadership Teams. Members shared what they learned with the team. More information will be shared with all principals.

V. Adjournment

Motion made by: [Brian Knight, D.C.]; Seconded by: [Cat Hoelker]

Members Approving: All Members in Favor

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining:

Motion [Passes]

ADJOURNED AT [6:45]

Minutes Taken By: Nathan Stephenson

Position: Secretary

Date Approved: 01/22/2020