

E. Rivers Elementary School

Date: **11/18/2024**

Time: **3:30PM**

Recording:

- I. Call to order: 3:34pm
- II. Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Dr. John Waller	P
Parent/Guardian	Paige Dees	A
Parent/Guardian	Erica Militello	P
Parent/Guardian	Khaki Janusz	P
Instructional Staff	Wendy Sanders	P
Instructional Staff	Dr. Whitney Niles	P
Instructional Staff	Nicole Cheroff	A
Community Member	Dr. Hersh Chopra	P
Community Member	Amanetta Somerville	P
Swing Seat	Megan Martinez	P
Student (High Schools)		

Quorum Established: **Yes**

III. Action Items *(add items as needed)*

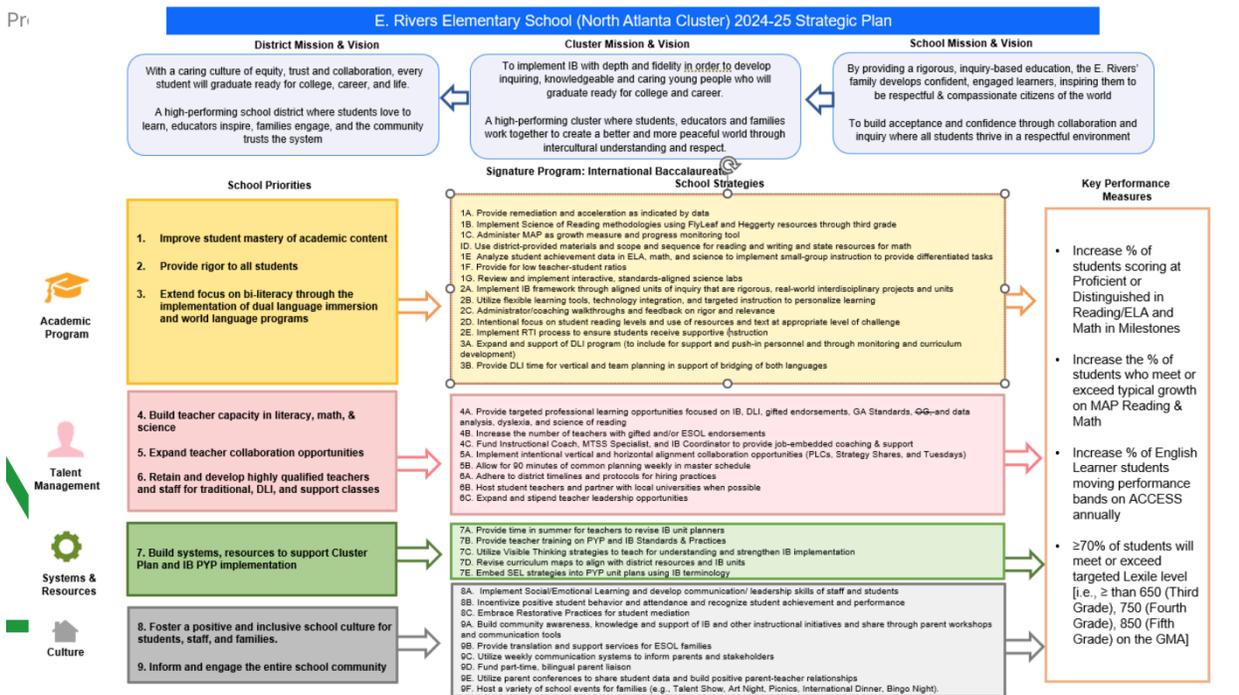
- a. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by: **W. Sanders**; Seconded by: **M. Martinez**
 Members Approving: 7
 Members Opposing: 0
 Members Abstaining: 0
Motion Passes
- b. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** Motion made by: **M. Martinez**; Seconded by: **W. Sanders**
 Members Approving: 7
 Members Opposing: 0
 Members Abstaining: 0
Motion Passes
- c. **Agenda Item:** School Counselor Update
- d. **Agenda Item:** Strategic Plan Update
- e. **Agenda Item:** Ranking Strategic Plan Priorities

IV. Discussion Items

- a. **Discussion Item 1:** School Counseling Overview and Reflection
 - i. Ms. Witcher 'About Me' shareout - former APS student!
 - ii. Creation of School Counseling Advisory Council with partnership of GO Team
 - iii. Role of Counselor: Direct and Indirect Services; Tier 1, 2, 3 based on need
 - iv. Counseling Curriculum by grade -> begin Executive Function deep dive pilot program (time management, organization), overview for 3-5th grade
 - v. Examples of Programs: Giving Tree, New Student Lunch Bunch, No Place for Hate, Girls Rock! 5th grade group, Career Day, Red Ribbon Week, Bullying prevention programs, conflict resolution
 - vi. Current Trends in School Counseling: SEL, College/Career Readiness, Mental Health, Equity & Access
 - vii. Data Driven Decision Making used to analyze and assessing program results - advisory board will play a role in this piece
 - viii. Non-counseling specific duties have been taken off the plate of Ms. Witcher to allow her more time for direct services
- b. **Discussion Item 2:** Strategic Plan and Continuous Improvement Plan Progress
 - i. Review of Strategic Plan updates along with results/data
 - ii. Goal is to approve school priorities and further rank
- c. **Discussion Item 3:** Strategic Plan Update

Action Item Approval of Strategic Plan Updates: Motion made by: [W. Sanders](#); Seconded by: [M. Martinez](#)
Members Approving: 8
Members Opposing: 0
Members Abstaining: 0
Motion Passes

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d. **Discussion Item 4: Ranking Strategic Plan Priorities**

- Ranking of School Priorities will help dictate where budget is funneled
- Discussion around the difference between current ranked priorities 3 & 4 as well as the continued discussion of Science for DLI students
- “teaming” is another strategy for the #1 school priority of providing rigor to all students
- updates in IB training for interdisciplinary programming and planning

Action Item Approval of School Priority Ranking: Motion made by: **M.**

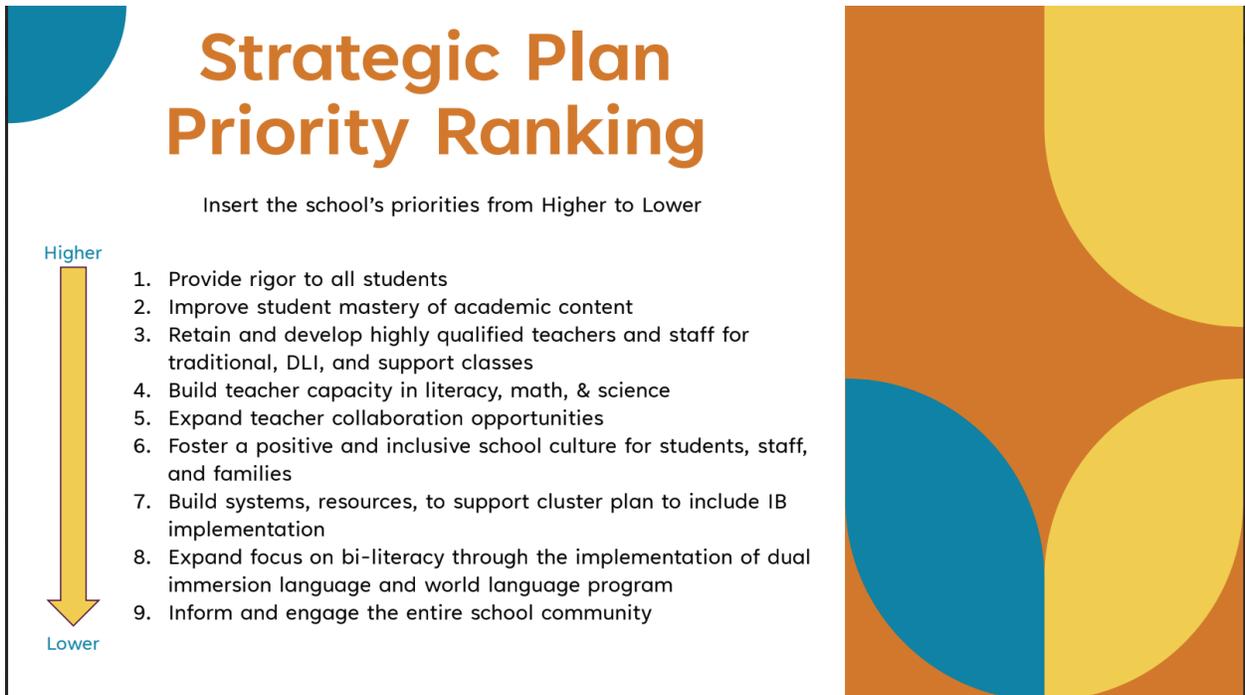
Martinez; Seconded by: **A. Sommerville**

Members Approving: 8

Members Opposing: 0

Members Abstaining: 0

Motion Passes



Strategic Plan Priority Ranking

Insert the school's priorities from Higher to Lower

Higher

1. Provide rigor to all students
2. Improve student mastery of academic content
3. Retain and develop highly qualified teachers and staff for traditional, DLI, and support classes
4. Build teacher capacity in literacy, math, & science
5. Expand teacher collaboration opportunities
6. Foster a positive and inclusive school culture for students, staff, and families
7. Build systems, resources, to support cluster plan to include IB implementation
8. Expand focus on bi-literacy through the implementation of dual immersion language and world language program
9. Inform and engage the entire school community

Lower

V. Information Items

a. Cluster Advisory Team Report

- i. Priorities: Collaboration & Communication - goal of PTA presidents and parent liaisons to share best practices, sub-group performance shareouts between schools currently using MAP scores, Milestones, data team

VI. Announcements n/a

VII. Adjournment

Motion made by: [W. Sanders](#); Seconded by: [A. Sommerville](#)

Members Approving: 8

Members Opposing: 0

Members Abstaining: 0

Motion Passes

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Minutes Taken By: [Erica Militello](#)

Position: [Secretary](#)

Date Approved: [\[Insert Date When Approved\]](#)