

**E. Rivers Elementary School**

Date: **September 23, 2024**

Time: **3:30 pm**

- Call to order: 3:33pm
- 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	P
Community Member	Dr. Hersh Chopra	P
Community Member	Amanetta Somerville	P
Swing Seat	Megan Martinez	P
Student (High Schools)		

Quorum Established: **Yes**

- **Action Items**
  - a. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by: **Nicole Cheroff**; Seconded by: **Amanetta Somerville**  
 Members Approving: 9  
 Members Opposing: 0  
 Members Abstaining: 0  
**Motion Passes**
  - b. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** *List amendments to the minutes: n/a*  
 Motion made by: **Nicole Cheroff**; Seconded by: **Megan Martinez**  
 Members Approving: 9  
 Members Opposing: 0  
 Members Abstaining: 0  
**Motion Passes**

- **Discussion Items**
  - a. **School Strategic Plan:** reviewed process and stages of review steps
    - i. Strategic Plan & Priorities Overview:
      - **Review 9 Priorities and Associated Performance Measures;** ranking 1-9, schools continuous improvement plan is updated quarterly by Dr. Waller and reviewed and iterated on along with goals for achieving goals (ie. including more Science within Literacy, making time for remediation with the end of WIN blocks, Math standards and requirements), Whole Child & Intervention CIP Goal (recognition, etc)
    - ii. SMART Goals
  - b. **Data Discussion ([link to data](#))**
    - **MAP Scores** Math Achievement levels, relatively flat Fall to Spring; Reading Achievement levels, also relatively flat Fall to Spring
      - \*Achievement level = “how much they know”
      - \*Growth score = Fall RIT Score avg. applied to expectation for growth to Spring, green meets expectation, while red falls below
    - **Milestone Scores**

Note: Math scores not yet available publicly  
this is a criterion referenced test - 9th in district in overall achievement (Proficient & Distinguished + Gains), +5.5% growth in Reading  
Notably, 2022-2024 Y/Y **Reading** growth is greatest from yellow to green while red remains relatively equal  
Only 5th grade takes **Science**, 3 year scores are flat to down further emphasizing the importance of integrating science into other subjects while giving space to teachers to focus on Science; another opportunity is within the DLI program in which Science is taught in Spanish and tested in English
    - **GLOWS & GROWS**
      - **Glows** - Reading growth in subgroups, +5.5%; SWD, ELL & Black groups growth
      - **Grows** - science instruction time; science bridge into small groups for DLI
  - c. **Optional School Uniform:**

Motion to **decline** establishing School Uniform made by: [Wendy Sanders](#);  
Seconded by: [Megan Martinez](#)  
**Members Approving:** 9  
**Members Opposing:** 0  
**Members Abstaining:** 0

## Motion Passes

- **Information Items**

- a. **Principal's Report**

- i. Enrollment Demographics, 699 count - notable growth in % of Hispanic students; average class size 18.6 (DLI 22)
    - ii. \$10k grant awarded by American Heart Association with funds collected from the NFL, presented by Falcons

- b. **Cluster Advisory Team Report**

- i. Cluster Advisory Team officers were elected: Tania Wismer, Shavaun Mincey, Joel Iverson
    - ii. Meeting format is changing to allow for further collaboration
    - iii. Discussion of funding looking at focusing at cuts at administration level vs school level, will explore combining schools (\$100m budget deficit); and safety with a focus on seriousness of threats and increasing resource officers in schools

- **Announcements** n/a

- **Adjournment**

Motion made by: [Nicole Cheroff](#); Seconded by: [Wendy Sanders](#)

Members Approving: 9

Members Opposing: 0

Members Abstaining: 0

**Motion Passes**

**ADJOURNED AT 4:36pm**

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**Minutes Taken By:** [Erica Militello](#)

**Position:** [Secretary](#)

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