

# Meeting Minutes

**Mary Lin Elementary School**  
**Date: Thursday, September 26, 2019**  
**Time: 5:00 p.m.**  
**Location: Mary Lin Media Center**

- I. Call to order: 5:05
- II. Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Sharyn Briscoe	present
Parent/Guardian	Stacey Stewart	present
Parent/Guardian	Iryna Gamble	present
Parent/Guardian	Navneet Kaur	present
Instructional Staff	Caitlin Nail	absent
Instructional Staff	Michell Carter	present
Instructional Staff	Tanesha Bellard	present
Community Member	Jill Hall	absent
Community Member	Coleman Eaton	present
Swing Seat	Melissa Tijerina	absent
Student (High Schools)		

Quorum Established: Yes

III. Action Items

- a. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by: Michelle Carter; Seconded by: Iryna Gamble  
 Members Approving: All  
 Members Opposing: None  
 Members Abstaining: None  
**Motion Passes**
- b. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** List amendments to the minutes: None  
 Motion made by: Michelle Carter; Seconded by: Navneet Kaur  
 Members Approving: All  
 Members Opposing: None  
 Members Abstaining: None  
**Motion Passes**

c. **Fill Open Community Member Seat: Coleman Eaton**

<b>Open Position:</b>	<b>Community Member</b>
<b>Nominee's Name:</b>	Coleman Eaton
GO Team Members <b>In favor</b>	All
GO Team Members <b>Opposed</b>	None
GO Team Members <b>Abstaining</b>	None

**IV. Discussion Items**

a. **Discussion Item 1: Superintendent Contract**

Principal Briscoe informed the Go Team that Dr. Carstarphen's contract will not be extended for next school year. She asked if the Go Team would like to make a comment to the board or leave it alone. She explained that the School Board is Dr. C's boss. She also explained that in an article it gave at least 3 reasons her contract was not extended: It wasn't enough growth in the schools; Too much emphasis on Charter Schools; City Finances. Members discussed that the public was blind-sided. The Go Team voted to write a letter to express concerns about the Board not being transparent on not renewing Dr. Carstarphen's contract. The letter will be posted on internet. Stacy Stewart will be drafting the letter.

b. **Discussion Item 2: Strategic Plan (please see attachment)**

Principal Briscoe reviewed last year's Strategic Plan and our signature program, College and Career Readiness. We discussed the plan's School Priorities following categories: Academic Program, Talent Management, System and Resources as well as Culture. Go Team's Homework is to work on the strategic School Priorities plan (what were keeping and the new information to add) and the wording of our School's Vision statement (**keeping the words embrace and achieve academic excellence**). We reviewed the data from last year, which can be found on the website [apsgraphs.com](http://apsgraphs.com) Next meeting, Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. we will focus on the attached document.

**V. Information Items: Update on the Budget from last month's meeting in Principal's Report.**

a. **Principal's Report:** Mary Lin is over-enrolled. Based on the Student Success Formula, the school earns a fixed amount of money per student as weighted by various criteria. Principal Briscoe outlines some of the criteria. She made the

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recommendation that Mary Lin be funded at 669 students, but Mary Lin has 707 students as of today. We currently earned money because of the higher enrollment. Principal Briscoe hired Mrs. Arillo as the sixth kindergarten teacher and she filled our vacancy seat for Special Education with Ms. Jones from Hope-Hill. Ms. Jones filled the vacancy because of the leveling process at Hope-Hill. Also, Principal Briscoe hired an hourly para in P.E., which was \$14,000, now she is able to close the gap and make her a full time para at \$42,000. Marylin's Coach Robinson, a kindergarten para, recently moved out of town, leaving a vacant seat. The seat was filled by Ms. Oliver.

b. **Announcement Added by Iryna Gamble:**

**Motion Made by:** Navneet Kaur; **Seconded by:** Michell Carter

Iryna Gamble attended the Grady Cluster Community Support/Input Meeting. She reported that they are in their third phase of planning. They will discuss overcrowding of schools, Inman Middle School moving into the Howard School, renovations of Morningside and Morningside moving into Inman for 2 years. There next meeting will be held October 5<sup>th</sup>.

### VI. Adjournment

Motion made by: Stacey Stewart; Seconded by: Michell Carter

**Members Approving:** All

**Members Opposing:** None

**Members Abstaining:** None

**Motion Passes**

**ADJOURNED AT 6:35**

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**Minutes Taken By:** Tanesha Bellard

**Position:** Member, Secretary

**Date Approved:** 9/30/19