

# **Meeting Minutes 9/12/18**

### **Morningside Elementary School**

Date: September 12, 2018

Time: 6-7:30pm
Location: Auditorium

- I. Call to Order: All members present except Valerie Taylor.
- II. Roll Call; Establish Quorum: A quorum was established with 7 members present.
- III. Public Comment- Two parents chose to give their comments at the end of the meeting.
- IV. Action Items
  - a. **Approval of Agenda-** Cara Frattasi made a motion to approve the agenda, Catalina Sibilsky seconded the motion, and all members present agreed.
  - Approval of 8/8/18 Meeting Minutes Cara Frattasi made a motion to approve the minutes, Tim Richman seconded the motion, and all members present agreed.
  - c. **Approval of slightly modified Meeting Norms** Cara made a motion to approve the norms to include an adjustment made to the times we accept Public Comment, Kelli seconded the motion, and all members present agreed.
  - d. **Vote on community member seats-** Christie Feeney and Michelle Wilco were nominated for the two open community member seats after considering several interested candidates. Principal Sofianos nominated Christie Feeney for the first open community member seat. Cara Frattasi, our chair, opened the floor for voting and all members present voted in favor of Christie Feeney obtaining the first two year community seat. Principal Sofianos nominated Michelle Wilco for the second open community member seat. Cara Frattasi opened the floor for voting and all members present voted in favor of Michelle Wilco obtaining the second two year community member seat.

#### V. Discussion Items

a. Review MES Strategic Goals and Update on new Instructional Planning Workbook- Principal Sofianos went over the current Strategic Plan with the group. She also gave feedback on the goals that we have obtained and those we are still working toward. She also shared that the new APS planning document will involve a new format for next school year. Catalina Sibilsky suggested that we look at some of our goals and make sure that those goals are still priorities. Cara Frattasi shared that it would be a good idea to do a gap analysis to help navigate the direction in which we need to move. Principal Sofianos would like for our strategic plan to become a working document that flows with our school based solutions driven by accessible student data.



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- b. **MES Community Survey-** Go Team would like to address the needs/goals of the schoolwide community. Cara Frattasi would like to send a survey to get a feel for the community's resources and priorities. Liz Davis suggested that our questions should focus on the purview of the Go Team.
- c. **2018-19 Planning (goals, committees, etc.)-** The Family Engagement/Communication Team could work together to put this survey together. We will do some research between now and the next meeting to get ideas. The new members should be present at the next meeting so we can get their input as well. Cara Frattasi will also put out a communication in search of parents who may have an expertise in this area.

#### VI. Information Items

a. Principal's Update: Budget- Principal Sofianos gave an overview of the FY19 Budget. Due to our current enrollment (936) versus our projected enrollment (964), we have a budget deficit. Principal Sofianos hopes to offset the deficit by making cuts to the current budget in the area of resources and materials as opposed to personnel.

#### VII. Announcements

a. GO Team Summit – Saturday, September 22, 2018- Cara Frattasi intends on attending the Summit for the morning sessions. Interested members will reach out to her if they would like to attend as well.

#### VIII. Plan/Assign Next Steps

**IX. Public Comment** - Suzanna Roberts would like for us to remember to showcase our commitment and dedication to the arts when making budget decisions. She also shared that there is a new Grady Cluster group dedicated to the arts.

Lisa Omstead- Lisa would like to know about the zoning of new subdivisions and would like to encourage the team to get professional help when moving forward with the community survey.

#### X. Adjournment

\*The following designated time periods have been scheduled during each Go Team meeting for public comment: 6:05 - 6:15pm and 7:15 – 7:25pm. A sign-up sheet is available at each meeting and must be used by any person who wishes to speak during the public comment period. Each member of the public will have two (2) minutes to speak. At the close of the two (2) minute period, the speaker will be asked to take their seat so that others identified on the sign-in sheet can be provided an opportunity to speak. The public comment period is designed to gain input from the public. It is not for immediate responses by the GO Team to the public comment presented. At the end of each public comment period, the period will be closed and the GO Team will move on to the next agenda item. For additional information regarding public comment please refer to the MES website.