

Minutes of School Council Meeting

Pearl Stephens Elementary
Date: 8 April 2021

School Council Members

Gloria Smith, Principal
Nicole Harrell, Teacher
Malinda Rangel, Teacher

Tina Lowe, secretary-council
Danyel Allen, vice-president-council
Jessica Collins, president-council

Pearl Stephens School Council met virtually on Day: Thursday, Date: 4-8-2021 at
Time: 5:30pm.

School Council members present: Gloria Smith, Nicole Harrell, Melinda Rangel, Danyel Allen

School Council members absent: Tina Lowe and Jessica Collins

4 members were present, representing a quorum.

1. Call to Order

Member: Principal Smith called the meeting to order at Time: 5:35pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Member: Principal Smith distributed the agenda posted pursuant to the
Open Meetings Act.

Moved, seconded, and carried that the school council approve the agenda as
presented.

Motion: Mrs. Rangel Second: Ms. Harrell;

Vote x Yes No

3. Approval of Minutes

Member: Mrs. Smith distributed the minutes of the 2-8-2021 meeting of
the school council.

Moved, seconded, and carried that the school council approve the minutes of the
2-8-2021 meeting.

Motion: Ms. Harrell; Second: Ms. Cobb;

Vote: x Yes No

4. Recognition of Visitors

Mrs. Smith recognized our visitors:

Kyon Cobb, API

Donna Hunter, Family Engagement Coordinator

5. Presentation(s) to School Council

None.

6. Report of Principal

7. Old Business

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- b. Reading for Education – Ms. Hunter explained the fundraiser. To date, over \$1,000 in sales and more than \$300 in school earnings has been made.
- c. Community business partners gave donations to our school: CME Church gave teachers goody bags with masks in December and hats, mittens and scarves in January.
- d. We held virtual family nights in January: Facebook Math and Virtual Literacy with over 300 engagements.
- e. Community activities included donating 662 canned goods to Bonaire United Methodist Church food pantry that our students donated in January. In February we provided 11 bowls of Lifesaver Candies along with signed Valentine hearts from our students to the nurses stations at Houston Medical Center. In March, we plan on providing seeds to plant with their parents in our “Growing Together” series.
- f. Current GMAS Schedule:
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 - 4th grade – reading and math – April 26th
 - 3rd grade – reading and math – May 3rd
- g. MAPS – 3rd, 4th and 5th meet projected growth from fall to winter – norm referenced.
- h. Discussed new Fonts and Pinnell Resources; reading – there is work to do. 5th grade meeting projected growth. 3rd and 4th still working on reading growth.
- i. Specific data for PBIS – 4 in ISS.
- j. Need one more business parent to join school council
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 2. 7 carts in building; goal is 2 carts per grade level.
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8. New Business

- a. Teacher Appreciation Donations – Opportunity for parents to give back with donations of apple juice, orange juice, chips, pretzels
- b. GMAS – video or PowerPoint slides will be posted on ClassDojo of different practice strategies and what to expect on the test.
- c. Discipline Data – 20/21: 19 total sent to office. February was the highest month with a total of 9.
19/20: 173 sent to office
- d. Summer Learning – Students invited based on winter MAPS. Will be held at Parkwood. This is an opportunity to close the gap.
- e. Morning Tutoring – All teachers are tutoring students who are in school in the morning before class
- f. Reading for Education fundraiser – To date, approximately \$409.49 profit was made on \$1,353.69 items sold.
- g. May activities – Due to pandemic, there will be no Field Day. However, students will be competing against their classmates in gym through the month of May. Warrior Games shirts are being sold.
- h. 5th Grade Graduation – Teachers working on guidelines to celebrate students within social distancing guidelines. Suggestions appreciated.
- i. Ideas to motivate students on milestones. Mrs. Beal and Mrs. Cobb working on incentives for daily work on milestones.
- j. The week of April 12 we will be celebrating the Month of the Military Child and gearing for milestones such as a pep rally.

Motion: Harrell _____; Second: Cobb _____

Vote: Yes No

9. No executive session was held

10. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the school council, the meeting was adjourned at Time: 6:06pm _____.

Motion: Rangel _____; Second: Cobb _____

Vote: Yes No