

Minutes of School Council Meeting

The structure of the minutes of a meeting of the school council should reflect the agenda of the meeting.

Kings Chapel Elementary School Council February 18, 2021

The Kings Chapel School Council met in regular session on December 10, 2020, at 4:20 PM via Zoom for Kings Chapel Elementary, 460 Arena Road, Perry, GA.

School Council Members Present: Mr. Will Ray, Ms. Mary Jan Lollis, Mrs. Tammy Hardy, Mr. Devon Joiner, Ms. Tiffany Pinkney, Mrs. Robbi Brett, and Mrs. Ashley Dupuis

School Council Members Absent: Mr. Tim Zirkle

7 members were present, representing a quorum.

The following visitors attended the meeting: Mrs. Shelley Shillcutt

1. Call to Order

Chairperson, Ms. Mary Jan Lollis, called the meeting to order at 4:20 PM.

2. Inspiration

Dr. Linda Leskovar, long-time Kings Chapel School Counselor, was remembered for her for bright personality and dedication to the well-being of Kings Chapel students. Mrs. Brett shared two inspirational quotes in her honor. Kings Chapel celebrated the life and memory of Dr. Leskovar by having a school wide Rainbow Day. All students and staff dressed in the colors of the rainbow to represent the lively and loving spirit of our dear friend and mentor.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chairperson, Ms. Mary Jan Lollis, led the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag.

4. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Ray, displayed the agenda posted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

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

Motion: Ms. Mary Jan Lollis ; Second: Mrs. Brett

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No

5. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Ray, displayed the minutes of the 10-1-20 meeting of the school council.

Moved, seconded, and carried that the school council approve the minutes of the 12-10-20 meeting.

Motion: Ms. Lollis; Second: Mrs. Hardy

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No

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6. Recognition of Visitors

No visitors attended this month's meeting.

7. Presentation(s) to School Council

Mrs. Shelley Shillcutt, Kings Chapel Elementary Assistant Principal of Instruction, gave a presentation of MAP, Measures of Academic Progress, to the council. It is an important tool used for our school improvement work. This computer-adaptive test informs us where our students are academically in math and reading. It is a tool used in all 50 states and even worldwide. The program adapts to the level at which a child can work independently and compares that progress to others in their grade within our county and across the country. It is given three times a year and measures a child's growth in math and reading.

Mrs. Shillcutt shared specifically how MAP works, what MAP measures, and how MAP actually measures growth. From there, our staff provides individual targeted instruction for our children, and teachers receive a class report of the instructional needs of their class as a whole. This instructional tool enhances our level of instruction for each Kings Chapel student, and parents appreciate the specific feedback they are given on their child's progress.

8. Report of Principal

Mr. Will Ray, Kings Chapel's principal, opened by remembering Dr. Leskovar as a "Champion of Children". She was indeed an expert in many areas. He also shared about the Virtual Recruitment Job Fair that Houston County would be holding in February. We will soon get our teacher allotment from Central Office and hope to have many well qualified candidates visit the job fair.

Mr. Ray announced that Mrs. Sandy Claxton, King Chapel Elementary EIP teacher, would be retiring. She will be greatly missed. She specializes in reading, and her instruction has benefitted many children. Our school continues to provide distance learning for students. We have the lowest number of virtual students than any other elementary school in Houston County. We are now providing virtual instruction for 29 children, down from 85 at the beginning of the school year. We are thankful so many families have chosen to send their children to in-person instruction with us, and we are determined to provide the 29 remaining at-home-learners with high-quality instruction.

The end of April is the season for Milestones Testing. There is a possibility that our students will not take those again this year if the waiver the State School Superintendent has requested is approved. If we do, our students will be ready!

Mr. Ray also spoke of The Cares Act money that our county received and additional resources these funds will provide. One major instructional tool our school will receive are many additional Chromebooks, as well as, carts to charge and house those.

9. Old Business - No old business topics were discussed during the meeting.

10. New Business - No new business introduced at this time.

11. No executive session was held.

12. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the school council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30.

Motion: Mrs. Dupuis; Second: Mr. Brett

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No

The next meeting of the Kings Chapel Elementary School Council will be held on April 15th, 2021 in the media center or via Zoom at 4:15.