

# MINUTES FOR SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Carmel School Council  
September 17, 2021

1. Call to Order – Attendees: Kim Hagood, Michele Harcarik, Jennifer Longoria, Robin Moles, Morgan Hood, Jeremy Powell, Sudie Hector, Rebe Preston, Elizabeth Milford

2. Approval of Agenda - Passed

3. Approval of Minutes - Passed

4. Presentation to School Council

School Council Training Kim Hagood

Leadership Qualities of a Principal – No changes, submit as is.

Voting on roles:

Chair – Rebe Preston

Vice Chair – Jeremy Powell

Secretary – Michele Harcarik

5. Report of the Principal

School Improvement Plan – 2021 – increase in ELA scores, deficit in Math scores. Focus on Math and ELA in SIP.

Building – County working on issues with humidity and A/C system. Some repairs and replacements will be made this year during the breaks. Ventilation systems have been improved, extra filters added, air ducts cleaned.

COVID - #s declining across county, No visitors until further notice.

Budget Priorities – playground by mobile needs to be replaced. Estimate is approximately \$100,000. Other playgrounds need repairs. We'll be getting an estimate for those soon. Need mulch. PTA working on fundraiser. County will give us a loan but we

have to have at least about half or more before this will happen. Question about funds. The county pays for initial playgrounds for schools but not for replacements.

Looking for a new sound system for gym and outside.

Medicast (announcements) needs to be replaced as the software and hardware are not communicating. Cost is \$4,000. This has been approved.

SPLOST – the 1 cent penny tax will be on the ballot in November to continue this. SPLOST money is used for Technology and large county items (planning for additions at WHS). Our technology is beginning to age. Smart boards are near the end of their life.

Title I – 7 staff members are paid for with Title I funds, 4 teachers, 1 PEF, 1 AF, and 1 PT Para. Encourage all to fill out forms so we can keep our Title status. Federal government provides free breakfast and lunch to all this year.

PTA

Fundraising – instead of selling things, we are doing a Gallop of the Colts where PTA organizes. Students get donations and run during specials times. PTA is working on getting sponsors and shirts for all.

Fall Festival is on – all outside. We are accepting vendors for this.

PTA Zoom meeting – had 100 participants. Will use TEAMS platform next time if needed to allow for more participants. Next performance is K in December. Ms. Milford encouraged looking at more ways to social distance.

Must Ministries are providing rental assistance to families this year.

No attendance awards this year.

Safety and Security – the county added cameras to the cafeteria and hallways. Cameras are coming for gym and outside.

Morning car circle was closed off during morning times per school police to ensure safety and security. All must drop off in car rider drop off line or park and walk in.

6. Old Business

None

7. New Business

Question about School crossing guard and if we would get one to replace the one who retired. We were told we would not get one. Parents asked who to contact about this and we referred them to CCSD Sheriff's office.

8. Adjournment at 8:28am

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