



Warren Prescott School Site Council Meeting (Elections)

Meeting Minutes

October 4, 2017

Present:	Jennifer Zinner, Jessica Nolan, Shery Keleher, Ames Forish, Liz Flynn, Jessica Busch, Kate Ness, Karen Elias, Michele Davis, LaTasha Hunter-McCaskill
Absent:	N/A
Next meeting:	TBD (November 2017)

I. Welcome

Mrs. Davis welcomed School Site Council attendees, and then excused herself for the election process.

II. SSC Roles and Responsibilities

Roles and Responsibilities for each position were briefly review and then open for any questions/clarification.

III. Election

The nominations for the following positions were presented.

- City Parent Council - Jack Keleher
- Co-Chair - Ames Forish
- Co-Chair - Dana Gene Stewart
- Secretary – Kristen MacLetchie
- Treasurer – LaTasha Hunter-McCaskill

All nominations were unanimous.

IV. School Compact

Reviewed, no updates or questions.

V. By-Laws

Meeting attendees reviewed the By-Laws, and felt a brief revision was necessary in regards to some of the language. Kate Ness will make revisions to be discussed at the next SSC meeting.

VI. SSC Meeting Dates/Times

Numerous suggestions were given in regards to options for future meeting dates and times. Web X Meeting – Dial in or call in conference style as an option for attendance.

Early morning meetings are a great idea. Morning coffee meeting and students during that time can attend an early morning activity.

Mrs. Davis has reached out to the BPS Engagement staff about suggestions for SSC meetings; alternate days and times were mentioned.

The shift in times is a good idea, and worth trying.

In addition, the meeting format is something that may want to be considered. ---- Agenda vs. casual topic discussion.

Some type of agenda – or large overarching ideas for topics.

The racial diversity of the SSC has been a concern for WP. This is part of the idea for changing up the dates and times to give more opportunities to the entire parent body.

Parents should understand the importance..... i.e. What change can be affected.... and what the true value of school site council is. The WP doesn't separate between PPT or SSC, on purpose, we don't want to over extend our parents. The WP truly values and appreciates parent participation.

Additional Suggestions:

Going over the meeting minutes and then role into an informal meeting...

Could advertise with some agenda items (i.e. Hot Topics).

Other items for School Site Council Meetings - Education/ Training/Updates.

Focus groups / Meeting for grades (K, 3, 6) etc.

Could we invite teacher teams to come... Engagement is the idea/motivational focus.

Open to parent ideas.... Mrs. Davis is always willing to discuss ideas with parents – Open Door policy.

VII. Additional Topics/Notes

Online offerings: Emergency forms, BPS Forms, as many forms as possible.

BPS Portal – Password reset, Linking students, Portal updates.

BPS Furniture –

WP received \$111,000 (BPS Furniture Grant) for furniture purchases. Normally new classrooms receive new furniture.

This year WP is reviewing the options on the website for BPS furniture in order to purchase for a few classrooms (not classroom sets). These new options allow for all kinds of furniture, from standing desk, to sitting balls, etc.

The furniture funding will only be used for direct service for students. (No storage units, or items like that.)

The requested items will be reviewed by the ILT and SSC leadership. Warren Prescott will follow the equity protocol when making the final determination for the furniture items.