PRINCIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes

Date: November 11, 2026

School: Sanders Elementary

Start Time: 3:00 p.m.

Adjournment: 3:30 p.m.

Members Present

- Dr. Jackson – Principal
- Dr. Mann – Assistant Principal
- Ms. Holiday – 3rd Grade Teacher
- Ms. Harrison – 5th Grade Teacher
- Mr. Marks – School Social Worker
- Mrs. Jones – School Counselor
- Mrs. Minick – School Counselor

1. Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Jackson welcomed council members and opened the meeting with introductions.

2. Academic Performance and Georgia Milestones Updates

Dr. Jackson shared that the school is still awaiting the English Language Arts (ELA) Milestones results. Growth has been noted in Mathematics and content areas. ELA results are anticipated shortly before or after Thanksgiving break.

3. STEAM Night Feedback

Council members celebrated STEAM Night as one of the school's best-attended events. Families showed strong participation, and attendees expressed excitement about the variety of vendors and activities.

4. School-Sponsored Fall Festival

The council discussed the success of the school's first school-sponsored Fall Festival, recognizing the positive response and strong engagement from the school community.

5. Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Update

The PTA has been reestablished, and a board has been formed. Mr. Jackson will serve as Vice President, and Ms. LaTour, a first-year teacher, volunteered to serve as Secretary.

6. Morning Enrichment Clubs

Morning Enrichment Clubs have been successful, and students are enthusiastic about attending. Council members also observed that participation encourages students to arrive at school on time. The group discussed the possibility of using the clubs as a positive incentive for students who frequently arrive late.

7. School Counseling Advisory Council Goals

Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Minick presented priorities identified after reviewing school data:

- Decrease the number of tardies among fourth- and fifth-grade students.
- Increase Mathematics and Reading grades among fourth- and fifth-grade students.

8. Key Takeaways

- Strong family participation in STEAM Night and the Fall Festival.
- Successful return of the PTA and formation of its board.
- Positive student engagement in Morning Enrichment Clubs, with potential to support punctuality.
- Academic growth in Mathematics and content areas; ELA results remain pending.
- School counseling priorities focus on tardiness and academic performance in grades 4–5.

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