

Meeting Minutes

Garden Hills Elementary School

Date: October 25, 2018

Time: 5:00

Location: Media Center, GHES

- I. Call to order: 5:05
- II. Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Stacey Abbott	Present
Parent/Guardian	Laura Campbell	Present
Parent/Guardian	Soledad Bailon	Present
Parent/Guardian	Kim Kleiss	Present
Instructional Staff	Christian Valdez	Absent
Instructional Staff	Angela Nelson	Present
Instructional Staff	Sarah Erickson	Present
Community Member	Medardo Cisneros	Present
Community Member	Katherine Travelut	Absent
Swing Seat	Everett Jolly	Present
Student (High Schools)		

Guests Present: Krista Rielly, IB Coordinator of GHES, to discuss and gather information for reauthorization of IB programme. One parent attended Cecily Welch. Claudia Grandos, Parent Liason for Garden Hills, and Nina Reid, Interpreter, attended the meeting.

Quorum Established: Yes

III. Action Items

- a. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by: [Everett Jolly](#) Seconded by: [Kim Kliess](#)
 Members Approving: All
 Members Opposing: None
 Members Abstaining: None
Motion Passes
- b. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** *List amendments to the minutes: no amendments made*
 Motion made by: [Kim Kliess](#) ; Seconded by: [Angela Nelson](#)
 Members Approving: All
 Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining: None

**Abbott noted the addition of the Norm about language accommodations

IV. Discussion Items

- a. **Discussion Item 1:** Mr. Everett Jolly was unable to stay for this portion of the meeting and left at 5:10. Krista Rielly presented a review of standards for IB reauthorization. The team discussed and evaluated two standards regarding the philosophy and communication of our IB program. (Finished at 5:26)
- b. **Discussion Item 2:** Review of School Strategic Plan lead by Stacey Abbott. The changes have been made to the plan: (1) in school priorities changed wording within the school priorities, (2) in school strategies terms and added balanced literacy and mathematics curriculum components 1A, 1C, and 1D and continued teacher training, (3) in culture removed attendance strategies due to the consistency rate for Garden Hills is above 95%, (4) in the key performance measures specific Lexile levels have been added per grade level tools, and (5) the DLI assessment in proficiency in Spanish has been added. In addition to the review of the school strategic plan, Abbott discussed the North Atlanta Cluster Elementary Principals ideas of using additional uses of test for additional diagnostic measurement for student reading
- c. **Discussion Item 3:** GO Team Self-Assessment Three of the ten members took the self-study last year. Abbott said the comments at the conclusion of the survey were most useful to her leadership role. A sample comments: "Providing information prior to the meeting" and "The GO Team seems like an affirmation counsel to the principal, rather than a decision making body." Abbott noted all comments are good for constructive criticism. She is eager for feedback and thoughts about our GO Team participation and perspectives. This measurement tool is used in Abbott's principal evaluation with the area superintendent.
- d. **Discussion Item 4:** Family Engagement Committee is within the charter of a GO Team. Within the Toolkit, p. 28 highlighted and different members of the schools community were recognized: Claudia Grandos, Margo Wynter, Valerie Presdee, Olivia Maxwell, and Katherine Carthart are members who are already active in our community in regards to Family Engagement. This was an overview of the Committee and in our next meeting in November to continue evaluating and developing family engagement. Chairperson Campbell noted Sarah Erickson, Soledad Bialon, and Christian Valdez would be good GO Team member to chair the Committee.

V. Announcements

- a. **Next Meeting was scheduled November 15th, 2018 but has been changed to December 6th, 2018 and has been moved to the art room due to the book fair.**

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- b. Additional comments to talk to community members about the Family Engagement committee.

VI. Adjournment

Motion made by: Kim Kleiss; Seconded by: Angela Nelson

Members Approving:

Members Opposing:

Members Abstaining:

Motion Passed

ADJOURNED AT 6:11

Minutes Taken By: Dr. Sarah Erickson

Position: GO Team Member, Secretary

Date Approved: [December 6, 2018 the Minutes are **APPROVED** by the GO Team]