

LSAC Meeting Notes
Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2007

In attendance: Charlia Faulkner, Heather Pullen, Laurie Ferguson, Rebecca Evans, Charlie Feehan

- Welcome back to LSAC for 2007-2008
- Current Enrollment: 630
- Welcome new third grade teacher, Kelly Schnibbe.
- ITBS testing is going well. Huge absences on Monday due to illness. After Monday, absences were back to being low again. We are currently looking to do make ups for children. Most of our children have already completed their makeup work.
- The cluster focus for this year is science. The science vertical team will be meeting during early release days. They are looking for a seamless science approach. Tamara Moor and Ashley Blitchington are representing NPES at these meetings. Every school in the cluster has two representatives.
- Learning Matters with Early Release. Things are going really well. There is a concern that there is negative feedback. This is due to low attendance in some south fulton county schools.
- Affidavit of Residency is going well at New Prospect. It is a tedious process that might not show the results we want. If they are not back in by the beginning of October. If they are not turned back in, students will not be able to remain enrolled.
- Discussed handout for new Georgia Graduation Requirements. The biggest change is that now there will only be one kind of diploma. The other change is in middle school there will be one high school credit given for advanced math.
- Math Forums on October 8th and October 29th. This is for parents to answer their questions. Please be careful about talking about whether or not you are happy with the current math curriculum with parents. Please make statements about observations of program so far, and that it is a Fulton County mandate with the process of selecting a textbook. GPS is a state mandate. This has been a phase-in process for over two years. Math is all hands-on with higher level thinking. There are no textbooks being used anymore.
- Discussed tax reform handout. The chamber wants better schools for two reasons: better employees (young adults), and bigger companies that are looking for high quality employees want great schools so that these people will move to our area for better schools for their children.
- Legislative Forum was discussed. It is on October 23 at the Roswell Teaching Museum.
- Textbook Adoption handout—FYI
- Meeting Calendar was given out. This is a comprehensive calendar with dates for the Cluster Advisory council and Katie Reeves Community Meetings.

New Prospect Council Bylaw:

- Article V: Membership
Changes: Transfer definition of membership from school council law changes document into our own bylaws. This can replace the current article five in our bylaws.
- Article XI:
Changes: The principal is no longer required by law, but can be the chairperson. Add that sentence to this section.
- Article XIII: Insert sentence about training and interaction with the local board from yellow changes worksheet

Future Meeting Dates:

- November 14, January 16th, March 12th, Possibly April 16th (if needed)

Election for Chair, Vice-chair, and secretary

- Ms. Pinkerton has been nominated for chair
 - Ms. Faulkner for vice-chair
 - Ms. Ferguson for secretary
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- We need to exchange contacts for board members. Ms. Faulkner will get that to us. New email address list.