

Morningside Elementary School

December 6, 2011

School Council Members Present:

School Council Members Absent:

James Anagnost

Mrs. Didiego

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Mrs. Dozier

Crystal Reid

Kay Miller

Pat Witt

- Mr. Anagnost called the meeting to order.
- Dr. Witt read an inspirational story, The Night Before a Teacher's Christmas.
- Dr. Witt discussed contacting Mrs. Dozier to ascertain if she was going to continue to be a member of School Council.
- Dr. Witt passed out updated by-laws and discussed the following changes:
 1. Page 10, Article 4 – added the following statement at the end: “The Principal may select an additional parent to serve on school council, if desired, per school law.”
 2. Page 11 – School council member's names were added with term ending dates.
 3. Page 11/12 – meeting dates, times, and locations were added for the 2011/2012 school year.
- Reviewed the final AYP percentages to all members: Math – 89.5%; Reading – 95.9%.
- SPLOST passed and the first items to be addressed with the funds will be teacher work stations, Smart Boards, and technology.
- PTO – Fall Festival made a \$3500 profit; Coke fundraiser cleared \$1500 and Coke will send an additional \$1 per case sold at the end of the year after the spring Coke fundraiser.
- After-school Tutoring – will begin in January with teachers being paid to tutor. Emphasis will begin with 3rd and 5th due to gates then 4th and finally 2nd.
- Morning enrichment will begin in January. 5th grade will receive two days; all other grades will receive one day. Time will be from 8:00 – 8:45 and is for all students.
- Food Drives – MSES collected over 300 cans of Tomato Soup for the PVO and we are currently collecting non-perishables for Salvation Army.

- A discussion was held regarding programs available to families in need or homeless within the county. The school system has social workers that assist homeless families. Families in need are assisted by the school counselors.
- Opportunity Room – This is a program designed to help students who are having difficulty controlling their anger. Staffed by Mrs. Cross. She will counsel with the students, place them at a computer to complete a module to help them understand why they are angry and to help them develop problem solving skills to deal with anger in the future and set goals for their behavior.

Mr. Anagnost adjourned the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 7, 2012.