

Eagle Springs School Council
January 5, 2012

The Eagle Springs School Council met in regular session on Thursday, January 5, 4:34 p.m., Media Center, 3591 Highway 41 north, Byron GA

School Council Members Present:

Dr. McGee, Mrs. Lance, Mrs. Bennett, Mr. Parker, Mrs. Ashford, Mrs. Brown, and Mrs. Dastous

School Council Members Absent:

Mrs. Liles

5 members were present, representing a quorum

1. Call to Order

Mrs. Ashford called the meeting to order at 4:34

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Ashford led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

3. Approval of Agenda

Dr. McGee distributed the agenda posted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

Moved, seconded, and carried that the School Council approves the agenda as presented.

Motion: Mrs. Brown; Second: Mrs. Lance

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No 7:0

4. Approval of Minutes

Moved, seconded and carried that the School Council minutes of May 7th be approved.

Motion: Mr. Parker; Second: Mrs. Brown

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No 7:0

5. Recognition of Visitors

N/A

6. Presentation(s) to School Council

No presentations

7. Report of Principal

- A. Mrs. Liles has moved due to her family moving to Atlanta. The ESES School Council has enough members required by law, so Dr. McGee will investigate whether the council can continue for the remainder of the year with 7 members and not hold a special election.
- B. Family Friendly School Parent Survey is being sent home with all students of Eagle Springs. The survey must be returned to the school by Jan. 13th. This survey is being used for:
 - input for school improvement
 - applying for a school award

C. Dr. McGee gave a report to the School Council on Upcoming Events at Eagle Springs Elementary: (Eagle's Nest Newsletter in a new format)

- Jan. 6: Report Cards and Red Day (Support Our Troops)
- Jan. 9: School Flu Vaccinations
- Jan. 10: GA Bob's Night
- Jan. 10: Parent Action Team meeting
- Jan. 13: School Spelling Bee – 8:45
- Jan. 16: MLK Holiday – no school
- Jan. 18: Geography Bee
- Jan. 18: Stevie B's Night
- Jan. 19: Honor Roll Breakfast – 9:00
- Jan. 19: Monkey Joes Night- 3:30
- Jan. 20: 100th Day of School
- Jan. 20: Parent Volunteer Orientation – 2:30
- Jan. 31: Eagle Buck Awards

ESES is collecting Box Tops, soda tabs and Capri Sun pouches.

Please visit our school website for more information at: <http://www.hcbe.net/schools/ese/>

8. Old Business

No old Business

9. New Business

A. School Improvement Plan (A copy of the plan is in the School Council notebook located in the office)

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-1.1.A.1: 4th and 5th grade students are given a mock writing test in persuasive, narrative and informational. These tests are scored by a new company, Write Score, which sends detailed information about each child's test and lesson plans that correlate.

-1.1-A.2: All teachers are required to maintain a data notebook that includes but not limited to: benchmark scores, writing scores, AR, common assessments, past CRCT scores. Teachers meet 2 to 3 times a year with Dr. McGee on students using this notebook.

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-1.1.B.3: Teachers and students have begun to use Thinking Maps (more detailed graphic organizer). There are 8 different maps that are used depending on what you are trying to do. Example: brainstorming would use a "Circle Map" which could be used to develop a "Flow Map" to organize student's thoughts in writing. A "Tree Map" could be used when classifying or listing.

-1.1.B.1 – 4: emphasis the use of Bloom's Taxonomy in the classroom.

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-1.1. C.2: A coach has been hired to pull students into small groups to give individualized attention in reading and math

-1.1.C.3: Jump Start is taught by the ESOL, EIP, Math/Reading Coach and Special Education teachers. Classroom teachers during this time are doing remedial in the classrooms.

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-2.1.A.1: This is called our Eagle Expectations.

-2.1.B.2: Due to the implementation of Common Core in the state; super specials have changed functions. Students stay within the classroom and continue with normal procedures, whereas teachers are in training to understand the new standards. Substitutes are brought in to cover these classes so that teachers may be trained. This will be revised in the new plan.

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-2.2.B.2: The plan should say Channel 17 not 117.

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-3.1.A.1: An IPAD has been brought so that the person entering the carpool numbers can be outside instead of a person calling through a radio the numbers. This will eliminate the loss of voice due to the radio. We have been told that an antenna will be placed outside so that wireless is available.

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-4.1.A.2: SBC – Standard Based Classroom; PBS – Positive Behavior Support; DI – Differentiated Instruction

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-4.1.B.1: TM – Thinking Maps; ESOL – English for Speakers of Other Language; RTI – Response to Intervention RTI is being using to target those students who are struggling in a particular area that affects other areas of learning.

B. Agenda for the March 22nd meeting will address parent involvement, school budget and Title 1.

10. No Executive session was held

11. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the School Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Parker; Second: Mrs. Ashford

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No 7:0

The next meeting of the Eagle Springs School Council will be held on March 22, 2012, at 4:30 p.m. at Eagle Springs Elementary in the Media Center.