

Clubview Elementary School Council
Muscogee County School District
November 14, 2007

The Clubview Elementary School Council met in its scheduled session on Wednesday, November 14, 2007 at 7:30 a.m. in the art room at Clubview Elementary, 2836 Edgewood Road, Columbus, Georgia 31906.

School Council Members Present: Adele Lindsey, Tim Smith, Charlene Coleman, Vaughn Bray, Julie Chapman, Amanda Rees, Leah Cudd, Marion Scott

School Council Members Absent: Will Clark, Lance Hemmings, Shannon Castle

1. Call to Order:
Council Chairman Vaughn Bray called the meeting to order at 7:45 a.m.
2. Distribution of Agenda:
Chairman Bray distributed the agenda pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.
3. Approval of Minutes:
Chairman Bray distributed the minutes of the October 16, 2007 meeting of the Council. Moved, seconded and carried that the Council approve the presented minutes of the October 16, 2007 meeting.
Motion: Charlene Coleman Second: Adele Lindsey
4. Report of Principal:
Principal Lindsey informed the Council of the ongoing phonics class for 4th and 5th grades. Approximately 17 students were in the first class and the class now averages 12-15 students per day. The class meets Monday-Thursday, 8:00-8:45 a.m., and some of the students have requested the addition of a Friday class. Columbus Regional purchased the phonics program being used in the class. Principal Lindsey updated the Council on the ongoing "manners" class for 4th and 5th grades. The class is sponsored by Columbus Regional as one of its Partner in Education activities. Judy Fields of the Columbus Junior Cotillion teaches the class. Two sessions remain in the fall series and the class will conclude with an awards banquet for students and parents on January 31 at the Columbus Regional Conference Center at The Medical Center. She also reported on SCA election results. The new slate of officers includes Ally Monfort, president; Sally Cummings, vice-president; and Erin Moore, secretary. Mark Montgomery was selected as Clubview's Teacher of the Year in November and will compete in the district-wide competition in the spring. Clubview Vice Principal Tim Smith reported on the Fall 2007 writing workshop which was more engaging than the

Spring 2007 math workshop. He also mentioned an after-school tutoring program that was scheduled to be in November. Administrators also reported on issues with the printer in the Computer Lab and mentioned the recent school blood drive. Blood drive collections were lower than anticipated – 13 units compared with a goal of 25.

5. Old Business:
 - a. The Council took a “tour” of the Clubview web site and discussed strategies to improve the site. The suggestion was made to look at the site from the perspective of a parent and to make recommendations to Marlene Culpepper, in-house content manager. Amanda Rees volunteered to audit the web site and come back to Council with recommendations. The Council also discussed the idea of the PTA launching its own web site that could be used to support school activities, recruit volunteers and raise funds.
 - b. The Council discussed adding Hobby Days to the Partner in Education activities sponsored by Columbus Regional. While it is a project Columbus Regional would like to move forward, there are challenges in securing volunteers for the programs. Julie Chapman suggested offering Hobby Day for 3rd grade since there already are so many after-school activities for the upper grades. The Council also discussed the formation of school clubs. Chairman Bray suggested we work with the PTA in an effort to address the resource issue and encourage parental involvement at the school on a daily basis, which is one of our 2007-2008 goals. There also was brief discussion about making Field Day more IB focused beginning in 2008.
6. New Business:

The Council discussed the relationship between the Clubview School Council and the PTA and opportunities to leverage that relationship to increase parental involvement in daily school activities. When the Council was formed, the president of the PTA had a spouse serving on the Council and that aided in communication flow between the two groups. That relationship has changed and now we need to look at ways to keep the lines of communication open. Council discussed a Council member serving as liaison to the PTA board or extending a standing invitation for the PTA president to attend Council meetings. Chairman Bray will explore these options and report at the next meeting.
7. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 a.m. following a motion by Adele Lindsey and second by Leah Cudd.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marion Scott, Secretary