

WGC Meeting Agenda

November 1, 2016

Welcome & Call to Order

- Role Assignments
 - Time Keeper T. Casey
 - Start 3:43 Stop 4:05
- Introductions
- Approve minutes of last meeting
 - Approved by Jen West and 2nd by Shannah Rastogi

Reports:

- Administration (3 voting members)
 - Principal – *Judy McNeill*
 - Administrative Delegate- *Suzanne Schott*
 - Non-certified Staff Delegate-Melissa Schrenk
 - GREAT WEEKEND!
 - Friday's game – we won in the last 8 seconds...Go Raiders!
 - Bands of America – made it to finals and came in 6th place!
 - Volleyball – State Champs!!!
 - Drama performance coming up this weekend– Little Shop of Horrors
 - Academics – semester ending fast
 - Orchestra – Nov 10 KSU – don't miss it.
 - Chorus – Dec 13 – JFBC – please come.
 - Basketball – beginning this weekend.
- Department Representatives (9 voting members)
 - Career Tech (Whit Hubbard)
 - No Report
 - English/ESOL (Greg Fleenor)
 - No Report
 - Math (Jennifer West)
 - Angie MacDonald had her baby (10/26). Supply teacher is Myll Calixte
 - Elementary MathFest held last Saturday (10/29) – 50+ elementary students came to compete. Great success!
 - Math Team is flying to Boston next Friday (11/11) for the Harvard/MIT tournament. Sending two teams again this year. Has been hailed as the most challenging university competition in the world, so wish them luck!
 - Fall Cobb County tournament held last Monday (10/24) – Varsity placed 1st in the county, Junior Varsity placed 2nd behind Kennesaw Mountain.
 - Media/Guidance (Liz Manguno)
 - Guidance –
 - PSAT went well. Thanks to Anne's organization, Lisa and I were able to step in and take over when Anne needed to take her medical absence.
 - Junior Advisement is in process. November 15th is the last day.
 - Financial Aid Night with a speaker from the Georgia Student Finance Commission is coming up on Monday, Nov. 14th at 6:30 pm in the Theater.
 - We will begin planning for our 10th grade Classroom Guidance/BRIDGE Bill activity soon and hope to complete this activity this semester.
 - Articulation continues with the Middle Schools and we have recently hosted a Rising 9th Information Session for parents and presented to Dickerson Middle School 8th graders. The Dodgen presentation is this Thursday morning.
 - Two counselors were able to attend the College Board conference with Catherine and Suzanne.
 - College recommendations are still keeping us busy, and 70% of our seniors have applied to at least one college as of today.
 - Study Skills sessions are still in progress once weekly for 9th-11th graders who are struggling.

Media Center –

- The latest Media Center Tech Tips newsletter features information and links on mindfulness and stress reduction. It's available on the media center blog.
- Media Center staff collaborated with English teachers on a new lesson analyzing and creating visual arguments. The final student products will be displayed in the media center.
- October promotions included games and puzzles to celebrate the Teen Read Week theme of Read for the Fun of It!
- Current fund raisers include an on-line fall bulb sale and the upcoming Scholastic Book Fair (November 11 – 18).

- PE/Fine Arts (Maggie Taylor)
 - Band
 - Congratulations to the Walton Marching Raider Band. On Saturday, they placed 3rd in class AAAA and 6th overall at the Bands Of America Super Regional Championships held at the Georgia Dome. Our band competed against 33 bands from 8 different states and was selected as a top-12 finalist band. Congratulations Raider Band!
 - Chorus
 - 85 members of Walton Chorus performed at St. Patrick's Cathedral and The Church of St. Paul the Apostle during their tour to New York City, October 21-23.
 - Walton Chorus was invited to perform at Emory University in January – one of three choirs, the other invitees are Atlanta Young Singers and Tri-Cities, a performing arts magnet.
 - Orchestra
 - We have 49 students who passed the District-level for All State Orchestra and will now compete for All State Orchestra in January.
 - Senior Solo concert featuring the Class of 2017 is on Thursday, November 10th at 7:00PM at Kennesaw State University's Bailey Center. Please see the flyer placed in all teachers' mailboxes for details, or see Sara/Perry for a ticket.

- Science (Pat Harvey)
 - Student did a video on "What STEM means to me" – won state and presented at conference. Tina Link to share with us.

- Social Studies (Christine Gordon)
 - No report

- Special Education (Shannon Rastogi)
 - No report

- World Languages/Gifted (Rachel Baker)
 - Nov 10 Spanish Heritage Festival 530-730
 - Guest Speaker from CDC came – discussed how her 2nd language helps in her job.
 - Spanish NHS induction Nov 16

● Committee Facilitators Reports (non-voting members)

- Curriculum and Instruction (Tamara Hollingsworth)
 - C&I is having ongoing discussions and editing of the new Charter proposal.

- Attendance and Discipline (Christy Lewis & Beth Plotkin)
 - In our last meeting we discussed different ipad apps to take attendance in each class period. No discipline issues

- Facilities (Elena Cox and Sheila Sell)
 - New Building-Teachers are getting rooms assigned and furniture in rooms being checked off as going or not.

- Still on track
- Reminder to purge when you can so that you have less to do in the spring.

- Goals and Assessment (*Jennifer West*)
 - Annual report submitted on 10/14 – accepted and confirmed the following week.
 - Thanks to committee and department representatives, who submitted best practices to include.

- Professional Learning (Callie Bryan and Dan Campagna)
 - Committee members received a current list of professional learning opportunities. Members will continue to email Callie additional opportunities throughout the semester.
 - Committee members will survey their departments for “experts” in different areas of professional learning (specific apps, great lessons, etc.). We will compile a list for the faculty to use as a resource.

- Staff Enhancement (Roberta Manheim/Jasenda League)
 - Halloween treats for the staff
 - Upcoming weddings (4)
 - Natalie Galvin (Guidance)
 - David Dewar (Social Studies)
 - Tant (PE)
 - Staruch and Pavokovich
 - John (the Janitor) is having surgery this week, but we do not know if he will be staying overnight. Mary Crittendon is going to find out more information.

- Student Climate (Olympia Diaz)
 - At our last committee meeting, a few of us expressed our concerns about our students and how stressed and overwhelmed they are. We shared some ideas on how we can help lower their stress and anxiety in our classes, how the homework load is just too much for them and our concern about these kids getting sick or worse.

- Technology (*David Dewar*)
 - Foundation trying to get more ipads
 - Lunch and Learn on Skype
 - Office 365 training coming up for students/teachers.
 - Monitors for new building a good possibility
 - Students to present apps they found useful
 - We will do a big push on ipads when we move

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students (2 voting members) -Seniors: Abhi Nathan & Sabrina Kaplan Juniors: Alternating Reps
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PTSA (3 voting members) – Paty Holdmeyer, Irene Barton
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- October was a busy month, we had the Clean Sweep, Career Fair, PSAT breakfast, Senior breakfast, Self Defense workshop, Raider Pride awards and Red Ribbon week.
- In November we have the following events:
 - November 2, we will have 365 Office training
 - November 9, bus driver appreciation
 - November 11, Book Fair preview day
 - November 16, custodian and officer appreciation
 - November 13-18, Book Fair
 - November 17, Great American Smoke Out

- Facilities Foundation (2 voting members) – Sallie Winokur, Heena Patel

- Lunch on Lawn – only 100 kids, but had fun. Need to promote more.
- Kickball tournament – please encourage kids. – Nov 16 during WEB

- Business/Community [Partners in Education, CCSD Board member, Community Representative] (3 voting members)

- Old Business

- New Business

- Motion to Adjourn

- By _____ Heena Patel/David Dewar

WGC (Council) Meetings:

(Held at 3:30 in the B-Hall Conference Room)

August 9 (kick-off meeting)
September 6
October 4
November 1
December 6
January 10
February 7
March 7
April 11 (due to Spring Break)
May 2

WGC Committee Meetings:

(Times and locations vary by committee)

August 16
September 13
October 11
November 15 (due to Election Day on 11/8)
December 13
January 17
February 14
March 14
April 18

