

School Governance Team

Meeting Minutes

Omega Elementary School

150 College Ave

Omega, Ga 31775

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March 21, 2018

I. Call to order (Dr. Melton)

Dr. Melton called to order the sixth meeting of the year for Omega School's SGT, beginning at 3:30 pm, March 21, 2018, at Omega Elementary School, Room 206.

II. Member Sign In

Members in attendance included Mrs. Tammy Hornbuckle, Mrs. Peggy Hawkins, Mrs. Lauren Grimes, Mrs. Kristy Stone, Mrs. Jessica Powell and Dr. Victoria Melton.

III. Opening Prayer (Dr. Melton)

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

V. Welcome Visitors (Dr. Melton)

Dr. Melton introduced Mrs. Lacy Cargle, Media Specialist, and Gale Haithcock, Network Administrator as guest speakers.

VI. Approval of Agenda

- a. Dr. Melton asked for input and approval of the agenda. Mrs. Hawkins made the motion to accept the agenda as is and Mrs. Grimes seconded the motion. All approved.

VII. Approval of minutes from last meeting

- a. Mrs. Hawkins sent minutes from the previous meeting by email to the team so they could have a chance to review. Mrs. Powell motioned to accept the minutes as is and Mrs. Grimes seconded the motion. All approved.

VIII. Unfinished Business

- a. Mrs. Cargle and Ms. Haithcock demonstrated the Q-ball microphone system that was purchased to see how it might work in the classroom situation. The range and volume is not powerful enough and the weight and size of the 'ball' made it unsatisfactory for our younger students. The Dell boards are not going to be compatible with any microphone/voice enhancement application. So the team will continue to look at a mic/speaker combo that will be sturdy and user friendly for students. It was suggested by Mrs. Cargle to ask Mr. Hatton for input since he is more familiar with systems available for classroom audience-audio situations.
- b. Mrs. Cargle also reported that the "Who's Reading" program and Getepic.com are still being used but not a lot of time is available to spend on either one. Mrs. Cargle and Mrs. Stone both stated that the Lexile incentives (Cape Winners and Lexile parties) are working really well to motivate students to read.
- c. Mrs. Hawkins updated the team on the Keyboarding Online program subscription. The purchase order is still in the Sherpa purchase system and has not been ordered yet. Mrs. Stone said we are still able to use the beginning sample lessons until the subscription is activated.

- d. Another bid just went out on the playground equipment that will be added during the realignment for next year. No one has been selected to provide the service.
- e. The proposal to seek a vote for a balanced calendar has been tabled until next year. The survey of our staff was a very strong yes.

IX. New business

- a. No fundraisers needing approval.
- b. The armed intruder discussion included the points on the agenda.
- c. Discussion regarding 2018-19 election of officers was discussed and postponed until the May meeting when a decision will be made about extending the term limit.

X. Discussion for topics/presenters for next meeting

Continue with the unfinished business of the microphone/speaker system for classrooms.

Choosing additional playground equipment to purchase after the contractor is chosen to fulfill the BOE allotment.

Prepare for the election of officers for next school term.

Discuss assisting the PTO with purchase of planners for grades 3-5.

XI. Questions/Comments

Mrs. Grimes spoke up for several parents who came to her regarding the addition of jeans being added to the school uniform list. Discussion included color requirements, durability of jeans vs slacks, and even allowing students to wear jeans every Friday. It was stated that a change in the school uniform choices would have to be voted on locally, presented to the county and approved by the system to be implemented. Dr. Melton congratulated Mr. Byers on his position as principal of Omega School beginning the 2018-19 school year. She also mentioned that all schools in Tift County were projected to change their mascot name to Blue Devils in the near future.

XII. Adjournment

Mrs. Powell made a motion to adjourn and Mrs. Stone seconded the motion. All agreed.

Minutes submitted by: Mrs. Peggy Hawkins, Secretary

Minutes approved by: Dr. Victoria Melton, Chairperson