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School Council Meeting

November 16, 2015

6:00 p.m.

School Council Members Present:

Dr. Dallas, Principal

Ms.. Pierson, Teacher

Mrs. Vakoc, Teacher/Co-Chairperson

Mrs. O'Dell, Teacher/secretary

Mrs. Haney, McBean Parent

Mrs. Joubare, McBean Parent

Mrs. Hodges, McBean Parent

Mrs. Blackwell, Retired Teacher (Community Rep.)

Mrs. Tarpley, (Berlin Methodist)

School Council Members Absent:

Mrs. Crawford, Family Facilitator

9 members were present, representing a quorum.

1. Call to Order

Co-Chairperson Mrs. Vakoc called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Review of 2014-2015 Goals

Recycling: Ms. Robinson will be contacted since she is the head of 4-H.
 Discussions about a container being placed in each hallway for recycled items.

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- Spring Carnival: The idea was discussed. In the past, there has been much effort
 put into it, but not a lot of return. If one is planned, it will need to be well thoughtout and well-planned.
- Parental Involvement: Mrs. Joubare discussed the idea of a "pot luck dinner" that would involve parents and staff to give them the opportunity to get to know each other and communicate. The transient population tends to effect things.
- Smoking on school grounds: Mrs. Joubare asked about the smoking policy on school grounds, specifically, parents in their cars. Dr. Dallas will check with public safety about this policy possibly being enforced.
- Georgia Milestone results released today: The scores are not good but McBean beat the system on average in everything. The state average is terrible with only 35% of state passing. The testing was discussed and Mrs. Tarpley mentioned that she would be willing to send a letter to the state representatives regarding testing.

6. Assisting families in need for the holidays

Mrs. Blackwell discussed the process for getting names submitted to her for Christmas help. The deadline was yesterday. Dr. Dallas discussed the Santa Shop and how parents can sponsor a child. Mrs. Hodges has a parent who wants to help. We will put Mrs. Crawford in touch with her to get the name. Mrs. Hodges also discussed Potash (DSM) working with needy families. Mrs. Haney is working with Augusta Industrial and she will know something by the end of the week. Mrs. Hodges also discussed ADP being a charitable organization, however they have already donated this year. Dr. Dallas will post the chocolate creation flyer sponsored by Berlin United Methodist Church.

7. Next Meeting Date

The council's next meeting date will be Monday, February 29, 2016.

8. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the school council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.