

Godley Station School Council | MINUTES

**Meeting date | time 8/25/23 7:00AM | Meeting location
Conference Room**

Attendees:

Chairperson	Mrs. Polley
Principal	Mr. Heady
Teachers	Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Blaine
Parents	Mr. Hawkins, Ms. Porter
Business/Community Partners	

Guest and others attending

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AGENDA TOPICS

TOPIC	DISCUSSION and Summary*
Opening: Pledge Allegiance/Inspiration	The meeting was called to order at 7:05. The council was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	It was moved, seconded, and carried that today's agenda and the minutes of 3/10/2023 be approved.
Special Presentations to the Council	None
PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Construction Update<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ A safety meeting was held with all staff during Pre-planning. Revised safety maps have been provided and two drills have taken place so far.○ The construction area is fenced off from the rest of the school area.○ The area between the A and E wings is temporarily being used for play; however, this play area will eventually have to move to the back field to accommodate construction.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The school garden area will also have to be relocated. ○ Construction is on schedule to be ready for the 24-25 school year. ● Godley Station Grants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DoDEA STEAM Grant- Godley Station was awarded a portion of a \$500,000 STEAM grant. This grant is being used to help fund classroom STEAM projects, the school's learning garden, and SEL programs. ○ Big Green Grant- The school has received a grant for \$2,000 to help fund our learning garden with raised bed materials and soil. ○ The school has also received grants to purchased Math manipulatives for our middle school students and to purchase materials for our middle and elementary social studies classrooms. ○ DoDEA World Language Grant- This grant will be used to create a World Language Lab and to hire an additional language teacher to be in place by the 24-25 school year. It is still be discussed which world language will be added.
<p><i>OLD BUSINESS:</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Choice Program Proposal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The idea has been proposed for an Advanced Academic Academy at Godley Station and is receiving positive feedback. ○ Mr. Heady will continue to present the proposal to district administration. ○ We hope to hear a decision by no later than December to be considered for the January application process. ● School Council Website <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Agendas, Meeting Minutes, and Meeting Dates will be posted under the School Council section of the School Website ○ Council members will submit a photograph and short bio to post in this section as well.
<p><i>NEW BUSINESS:</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Teacher Member Elections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Both teacher seats are up for election. Mr. Heady will consult with Mr. McMillan for guidance on running the election. New teacher members will be in place by the next meeting on October 20, 2023 ● Election of Officers

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The council held elections and voted for the following officers:<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Jasmine Polley, President-John Hawkins, Vice President○ The council elected to table the vote for secretary until after the teacher elections. ● School Climate<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The staff, especially middle school, has been focused on improving school climate. Several new middle school teachers have joined the Godley Station team, and the entire middle school team met to create plans for consistency and high expectations.○ The 22-23 GMAS scores showed gains for Godley Station. ● School Spirit Options<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The school is working on creating a committee to focus on School Spirit. This committee would partner with the Sunshine committee, PBIS committee, and the PTO continue building the esprit de corps.○ In addition to our many existing clubs and groups, Girls on the Run will be returning this school year, and the school is working closely with Cub Scouts.○ The council discussed the possibility of bringing a football team to Godley Station. It was proposed that an interest meeting could take place with Godley Station, Rice Creek, and SCELA.○ The council discussed using Vista approved volunteers, SCAD students, and business partners to “adopt a hallway” to help teachers with bulletin boards and student work displays.○ Yard signs and window clings for sports, honor roll, etc. were discussed.○ The council discussed recognizing staff and students for school spirit.○ The council discussed creating a more efficient way for collecting funds for spirit days such as paying for the month or the entire year at once. ● Other Items<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Arrival/Dismissal Safety<ul style="list-style-type: none">- It was suggested that there is a need for a teacher to escort students to the Spring Lake/Benton Blvd. intersection since there is not always a crossing guard in place.- It was also suggested that another duty station be created towards the back parking lot where the
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	<p>sidewalk nears the street due to construction. The addition of fencing street side was also recommended.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- It was suggested that car rider students line up under the awing instead of in the grass during the seasons of high heat.
<i>UPCOMING EVENTS:</i>	Council Meeting Dates: 10/20/23 1/12/23 3/1/23
<i>Other:</i>	
<i>Next Meeting Date:</i>	10/20/23
<i>Adjourned:</i>	8:04 AM