

Flat Rock Middle School  
School Council Meeting  
9/26/17

In attendance:

- Jade Bolton - Principal
- Leonard Presberg – FCBOE Board Member – Guest Speaker
  
- Sarah Lasiter - Teacher
- Ashley Hare - Teacher
- Melissa Lohr - parent
- Erika Eichner-Baumann - parent
- Chris Baumann - Parent
- Sherry McMullen - Parent
- John Phillips – Parent
- Sandra Forero – School Secretary

Meeting was called to order by Ms. Lohr at 7:41 A.M.

- Approval of agenda – All approved
- No previous minutes to be approved – First meeting today

Mrs. Bolton - Introductions of 2017-2018 Council Members:

- Jade Bolton - Principal
- Sarah Lasiter – Teacher p- New Member
- Ashley Hare - Teacher
- Melissa Lohr – parent - **Chair**
- Erika Baumann - parent – New Member
- Chris Baumann – Parent – New Member
- Sherry McMullen – Parent – New Member
- John Phillips – Parent

Leonard Presberg – FCBOE Board Member – Guest Speaker

Topic – ESPLOST Renewal Initiative

- ESPOST is a renewal of the Education Sales Tax (3<sup>rd</sup> year in our county)
- Funds capital projects (156 counties have ESPLOST)
- Building Improvements
- Technology - Example: 1 to 1 project – giving every student a Chromebook (FCHS)
- New A/C in buses
- Textbooks
- November voting (November 6) – Early voting October 16 to November 3<sup>rd</sup>

- Project list is long – More than ESPLOST will collect – projects will be prioritized. Signs have been posted outside of schools that have or are receiving projects from these funds.
- Sales tax has increased due to the movie studios
- Fact sheet on ESPLOST is on FCBOE website – public / parents / employees should be informed.

New Business:

- Mrs. Bolton – Review of expectations and By-Laws of School Council

Copy of Summary of School Council rules passed out.

No new updates since 2007

Anyone can attend meetings

Anyone in the county can be requested to be a guest if desired

More information is available on [Georgiaeducation.org](http://Georgiaeducation.org) – [gsci.org](http://gsci.org)

- Mrs. Erika Eichner-Baumann – Superintendent’s Advisory Council Report

Fayette County is the 20<sup>th</sup> largest school district in GA

We have the largest transportation service in the state; because our schools are so spread out

We have the largest food service program; we feed the most kids in GA because we give 2 meals (breakfast & lunch)

5Mill rate contribution is spread out across the state; Fayette County is in the top 5% socioeconomically in the state

Concerns of aging community and lower property tax

Flat Rock update: R U OK Campaign, Physical changes since new administration, Moral of the school, and test scores; they are not a measure of the value of the school.

- Consensus: Meeting dates and time; Guest preferences – Last Tuesday of the month

Tuesday, November 28, 2017 – 7:30 am

Tuesday, January 30, 2018 – 7:30 am

Tuesday, March 27, 2018 – 7:30 am

- Mrs. Bolton - School Start Updates & News

Great start to the school year

Started: R U OK Campaign – Student led

Emphasis on character and development through PBIS – Be Responsible, Be Respectful, Be Safe

PBIS Rewards point system – get rewards in The Nest store or teacher store

Creation of a School Climate Committee

Organized: Hispanic Heritage program

Black History Program

Character assemblies, one each semester

January: Starting the Connected classroom 1 to 1 program (a Chromebook for each student)

Escape Room project for the spring

Accolades:

Morehouse Math Competition

R U OK Campaign was recognized by the state in “The Digest”

Dress for Success Wednesday – Business Education and Computer Science Students.

4 FR Students were selected in the State Superintendent’s Student Advisory Council

Adjournment – Mrs. Melissa Lohr – 9:12 am