

STRINGFELLOW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
LOCAL SCHOOL GOVERNANCE TEAM

Tuesday, October 25, 2022
12:00pm

Mr. Knighton asked for the team to approve the agenda. Mrs. Cardin moved to approve the agenda and Mr. Cohran seconded the motion.

The minutes were read. Mr. Knighton moved to approve the minutes and Mr. Cohran seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

Attendance was taken. Members present were Ms. Hobby, Dr. Robinson, Mrs. Cardin, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Cohran, Ms. Milton, Mr. Knighton, and Jeremy Jones the financial director for Colquitt county.

Mr. Jones joined the team to discuss finances for the district. Mr. Jones began by discussing the revenues and expenditures of the district. Colquitt County School system gathers money from different sources. The sources include local tax (ELOST and ESPOST), the state of Georgia, and grants. The totally revenue for the district is approximately 92 million. Mr. Jones reviewed the expenditures for the county. He explained that 86% of expenditures go towards salaries and benefits. The remaining 14% cover maintenance and operations. The Colquitt County School system employees approximately 1400 people. Mr. Jones reviewed the state allotment system and FTE. Mr. Jones reviewed the timeline for the school district's budget and how all stakeholders can come and ask questions about the budget.

Mr. Knighton reviewed module 6. He explained that Colquitt County School District is an equal opportunity employer. The human resources for the district's goal is to increase the quality of workforce within the district. They are working to have more certified staff and support uncertified staff to become certified. Mr. Knighton explained there is a set process for hiring and terminations. Next he discussed the focus on literacy within the district. We discussed professional learning and what it looks like in the district and within Stringfellow Elementary. Mr. KNighton discussed that we have allotted Title two money to cover the cost of professional learning for our teachers. We have received additional support for the new ELA curriculum as well as our MAP testing.

Mr. Knighton gave updates about what's happening at Stringfellow Elementary. Mr. Knighton asked for feedback about the school's website. He explained that Mrs. Croft, the media specialist, is responsible for updating the website. He wanted to include useful information that is easy for stakeholders to find. He explained the Ameris Bank Spirit Account. He encouraged support from

our stakeholders. We discussed starting a PTO at Stringfellow. We have staff ready to support a PTO but need more parent participation. We discussed the benefits of having a PTO at our school. We planned to discuss it with our parents at our next parent-teacher night in December. Mr. Knighton discussed Kloud 12 and the benefits of having cameras in the classroom. We reviewed our recent visit with Dr. Owens. We will meet again in January. Mr. Cohran moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Jenkins seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 1:16pm.