

MINUTES OF THE MABRY MIDDLE
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22, 2006

The Mabry Middle School Council met in regular session on Friday, September 22, 2006 at 8:00 am.

School Council Members present:

Dr. Michael Murphy, Dr. Tim Tyson, Mary Dixon, Wendy Pettett, Ann Parker, Dr. Traci Redish, Carmen Hartnett, Wendy Sullivan, Jackie Rand

1. Call to Order

Dr. Tyson called the meeting to order at 8:10 am.

2. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Michael Murphy approved the motion to accept the agenda. It was seconded and carried that the school council approve the agenda as presented.

3. Approval of Minutes

Not presented at this meeting.

4. Report of Principal

Dr. Tyson reported that we received four new allotments for faculty members to strength our existing staff and we now have an eighth grade science teacher. We will be hiring back our nurse that used to be at Mabry because Carolyn Waters will be moving to Pennsylvania. She will be missed by both students and the faculty.

The PTSA received a \$10,000 grant from a private individual and Mabry received a grant from Intel as well as Splost money . Mabry now has two-thirds of our academic classrooms with Promethean Boards.

Mabry has been very busy receiving guests from the Republic of Georgia and Australia so they can learn more about the wonderful technology the Mabry teachers and students using.

Dr. Tyson will be leaving on October 1st. to South Japan and Tokyo due to the Fulbright Scholarship. While he will be gone, Dr. Tyson will be working on collaborative projects with the seventh grade students.

5. Old Business
None

6. New Business
According to the CRCT Summary, Mabry is scoring much higher than the average Cobb County School and the state of Georgia. The middle grade writing assessment reveals 59% of the students are on grade level and 41% were above. Way to go, Mabry!

At the Mabry PTSA board meeting on 9/11/06, Wendy Sullivan was asked to present the following suggestions for consideration by Mabry's school council:

1. Implement a requirement that a parent must present a photo ID when picking up their child; clarify that the parent should walk the student into the school when returning from an appointment, communicate the enforcement of these policies in writing with all parents
2. For better security, move the welcome desk closer to the front door and front office, potentially near the plasma screen (if there is a cost of running lines for the computer to be used there, PTSA will consider paying for it- this would depend on the actual cost and our budget)
3. Change the sign on the front door to accurately state what is required of visitors. Currently, the sign says that visitors are required to sign in the front office; however, this really isn't being followed.

7. Pledge of Allegiance
8. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the school council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 am.

The next meeting of the Mabry School Council will be held on November 17th. at 8:00 am. in the Mabry 7th Grade Conference room.