

FCHS SGT Agenda
3rd Tuesday of Each Month
February 16, 2016 4:30pm – 6:00pm
Media Center

I. **Call to Order**—Meeting called to order at 4:35, by Principal, Erik Cioffi, with the following members present: Julie Arp, Holly Viccaro, Kevin Panter, Christie Rose, Carly Hellerstedt and non-voting member, Theresa Dillard and Guest Cynthia Panter, District ED. Members Absent: Joy Hellerstedt, Tim Nicholson, and Kathryn Weaver.

II. **Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Agenda Erik Cioffi Action
 - i. Motion made by Julie Arp to accept, seconded by Kevin Panter; no discussion; unanimously approved.
- b. Approve Minutes Erik Cioffi Action
 - i. Motion made by Christie Rose to accept, seconded by Holly Viccaro; no discussion; unanimously approved
- c. Requests Erik Cioffi Action
 - i. School Facility Use Requests
 - 1. Julie Arp made motion to approve; Christie Rose seconded; no discussion; unanimously approved.

Feb 27	5 to 10 pm	Raymond Ross	Old gym—benefit event for Payne Family
March 3	6 to 8 pm	Jim Pavao	Cafeteria—Football Parent Meeting
March 11	6 to 10 pm	Claude Mathis	Cafeteria/PAC—Men’s Conference
March 13	7am to 2 pm	Sandy Walden	Stadium/Concession Stand—Special Olympics
March 16	8am to 4 pm	Heather Finley	Chorus Suite—District Meeting
March 19	11am to Noon	Brian Tesoriero	European Trip Meeting

- ii. School Field Trip Requests
 - 1. Holly Viccaro made motion to approve; Julie Arp seconded; no discussion; Unanimously approved

Feb. 19 & 20	Rhonda Mathews	Perry, GA—Livestock Competition
Feb. 26	David Padgett	HiRez Studios, Alpharetta, GA—Programing Class to Tour
Feb. 26 & 27	Sarah Welch	Cartersville, GA—Mock Trial District Competition
March 4	Lesia Burgess	Lumpkin Co H.S, Dahlonega, GA—Literary Meet Competition
March 6-8	David Padgett	Athens, GA—FBLA State Conference & Competition
March 8	Rhonda Mathews	Summerville, GA—Lawn Mower & Nursery Landscape Competition
March 11	Bubba Gibbs	Atlanta, GA—TSA Engineering TEAMS Competition
March 16-19	Bubba Gibbs	Athens, GA—TSA State Conference & Competition
March 17- 19	Terry Callihan	Atlanta, GA—SkillsUSA State Conference & Competition
March 20-22	Lynn Burch	Athens, GA—FCCLA State Conference & Competition
March 31	Jeremy King	Atlanta, GA—Bodies Exhibit—Sports Medicine Students to Tour
April 22	David Henson	Atlanta, GA—Six Flags Over GA—Physics Day

Local Trips—approval by SGT not needed, but provided for informational purposes

Feb 12	Hope Sowers	Fannin County Rec/Center & Ingles—To meet IEP Goals
Feb. 19	Hope Sowers	Community & Southern Bank & Library—To meet IEP Goals
Feb. 26	Hope Sowers	Bowling Alley & Pizza Hut—To meet IEP Goals
March 22	Brian Tesoriero	Dan’s Grill, Blairsville, GA—Spanish Class/taste & order in Spanish
March 23	Brian Tesoriero	Dan’s Grill, Blairsville, GA—Spanish Class/taste & order in Spanish

iii. School Fundraiser Requests

1. Holly Viccaro made motion to approve; Julie Arp seconded; no discussion; Unanimously approved

Feb 17 – May 5	Tammy Thomas	Jr. Board of Directors—Raffle Tickets
Feb. 17 – March 31	Robert Evans	Tennis Teams—Fannin Fan Cloth Items
Feb. 20 & TBD	Lesa Burgess	Drama—Tickets for Fannin’s Got Talent and Laughter & Latte
March 1 – 21	Jon Ayres	Baseball Teams—Laundry Detergent
March 15 – April 15	David Henson	Wrestling Teams—Ad Banners of Sponsors (for old gym)
March 19	Lesa Burgess	Drama—Tickets for Miss FCHS Pageant
May 6-7	Jim Pavao	Football Teams—“Ford Drive For Our Team”

III. Policies and Procedures

- a. Junior College Days Erik Cioffi Action
 - i. Motion made by Holly Viccaro to allow three total college days during junior/senior, but not to exceed more than two in any one school calendar year. Kevin Panter seconded; Discussion on making the policy retroactive to include this semester (January 1, 2016).
 - ii. Motion Amended to include being retroactive. Motion approved unanimously.
- b. Flex Schedule Discussion
 - i. Mr. Cioffi shared that Flex is beneficial but with any initiative you must review process and discuss how to improve. A group of teachers visited other schools and brought back the idea of having students report to their first block class on Mondays during Flex, second block on Tuesday; third block on Thursdays; and fourth block on Fridays. Wednesday would still be homeroom. Of course, teachers can work with each other to allow students additional time if needed.
- c. Student Dress Code Discussion
 - i. Student Council would like to discuss dress code, hair colorings, piercings, etc. What is distracting? What battles do we want to fight? We either have to amend policies or enforce as written. Discussion on receiving input from all stakeholders.

IV. Safety Reports

Erik Cioffi Information

- a. GSBA provides Scenarios monthly on safety issues--- discussion on the law that says you can’t have weapons on campus. Scenario on how to handle a parent or visitor who may be carrying a weapon on campus.

V. Athletic/Extra-Curricular Reports

Scott Ramsey Information

- a. Concussion Protocol—Coaches aware of FCHS protocol; impact test given to all athletes;

- b. MRSA precautions—weight room and locker rooms cleaned daily;
 - c. Booster clubs—fund raiser money for each sport goes into individual accounts (contrary to what one parent expressed to Kevin Panter. Now Kevin can share procedural info with parent. Admin welcomes questions from parents.
 - d. FCHS Spring Athletics—all sports in full swing
- VI. Curriculum Reports** Theresa Dillard Information
- a. Academic Instructional Team—no new information
 - b. FCSS Student Success – March 16th
 - i. SGT Member to attend—district requesting one member to participate; Julie Arp volunteered to participate.
 - c. Early Graduation & Graduation Requirements—collected data over years; in past had more than one diploma—tech/prep, college prep, and dual. Majority of students completed technical diplomas. Discussion held on having different tracks that would lead to our one diploma. For example, Fundamentals of Algebra could count as one of the four required math classes.
- VII. Legislative Updates (attached)** Erik Cioffi Information
- i. **Handout of potential legislation related to education**
- VIII. School News** Erik Cioffi Information
- a. School Calendar adjustments
 - i. Calendar committee –District committee to set Calendar for School Year 16-17 will start meeting soon. Request to have SGT member to attend. Meetings will be in late Feb. or early March---two meetings usually ; Kevin Panter volunteered to participate on calendar committee.
- IX. Public Comment—Mr. Cioffi shared with SGT that the system has earned \$255,000 to be divided by the five schools; discussion on testing/MOWR coordinator for next year; this year to be determined—computer lab, desks, calculators, furniture, items that can't be purchased with SPLOST money.**
- a. Holly Viccaro made Motion to use the \$51,000 for this year on supplies as determined by the leadership team and faculty; Julie Arp Seconded; no discussion; unanimously approved. (however, only four members remaining---Arp, Viccaro, Rose, Cioffi—as Kevin Panter had to leave early)
 - b. PBIS—Holly Viccaro shared the need to have parents involved in school-wide PBIS program. Will discuss with other parents on SGT and seek input before decision made.
- X. Adjourn—meeting adjourned at 6:05 by Mr. Cioffi**

TKES and LKES Bill Arrives with Expected and Unexpected Authors

Just as he promised at the Winter GAEL Conference, Lindsey Tippins dropped SB 364 on Wednesday. It reduces the TKES requirement to 30% and basically resets testing to Federal requirements but does require that students have an annual assessment. It has been endorsed by State School Superintendent Richard Woods. To most everyone's surprise SB 355 was dropped into the Senate hopper on Tuesday citing William Ligon, Josh McKoon, and others as the authors. The bill reduces the student assessment portion of teacher evaluation on TKES to 10% and reduces the administrator portion on LKES to 40%. Did not see that one coming! Generally the bills offered by those senators run perpendicular to public education but this one is the very bill that teachers and administrators have called for since the inception of TKES and LKES. It will be most interesting to watch the Senate Education and Youth Committee hearings on the two bills since Lindsey Tippins is chair of that committee. It is politics folks and my money is on the Tippins bill, SB 364.

HB 100-the Kindergarten/First Grade Age to Start Bill

I have had several inquiries lately about the status of HB 100, the bill introduced last year that would change the date by which a child be eligible to begin school.

The bill is stalled in the Senate and there appears to be no interest in moving the bill and thus for all intents and purposes the bill is dead. Never say never but there just isn't much interest in pushing the bill to change the eligible birthdate.

Bills on the Move

HB 659 passed the House on Wednesday and requires systems and schools to post a full cost accounting of allocated funds (state and local) on their website. The GADOE has promised to provide templates and training.

HB 801 which includes computer science in the HOPE rigor calculations and weights STEM courses higher for HOPE retention, passed the House on February 3 and is now in the Senate where it should win adoption.

HB 739 gives parents authorization to inspect curriculum materials passed the House on February 9 and is now to the Senate. The major aspects of the bill are currently in place in Georgia schools because of the Federal Pupil Protection Rights Amendment to FERPA.

HB 879 grants a biliteracy diploma seal to students scoring 3 or more on AP foreign language exams or 4 or more on IB exams. The bill was given a DO PASS by the House Economic Development Committee and is now in House Rules.

HB 870 calls for contests between GHSA and GISA and GICAA. GHSA Executive Committee approved the measure on February 3. The bill also permits religious expression on the GHSA uniforms. The bill as passed by the House on Wednesday and is now in the Senate.

SB 309 is the duplicate bill to HB 870 and was given a DO PASS by Senate Education on Wednesday as a substitute bill.

SB 348 allows career academies to apply for strategic waivers and to apply for workforce grants

New Bills

HB 873 requires Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention training for student athletes.

HB 895 calls for charter school finance officers receiving annual training provided by the GADOE.

HB 942 permits provisional enrollment of transfer students for ninety days. It also calls for GADOE training for registrars.

HB 959 is a Title 20 cleanup bill that also includes the provision that exempts students taking dual enrollment courses from the EOCT for that course. There are several other provisions that can be seen in a full review of the bill.

HR 1253 Encourages dugout safety training and recommends full enclosure of baseball dugouts. (HB 817 requires such, this resolution only recommends the training and enclosure.)

HR 1313 encourages local BOEs not to schedule ceremonies such as graduation on the day of primary elections.

SB 328 limits assignment of students under 16 years of age to alternative school to a maximum of two semesters (completion of current semester and one additional semester).

SB 329 Insists on the college end of dual enrollment programs offer industry certification as a minimum for high school students working toward a diploma.

SB 335 Permits public retirement systems to invest in commingled and collective funds.

SB 353 limits the training of charter school governing boards to 6 hours per year.

SB 355 Reduces assessment portion of TKES to 10% and 40% for LKES

SB 364 reduces TKES requirement to 30% and restructures testing. Endorses by State School Superintendent Richard Woods.