**Hope Hill Elementary**

**Date: 3/5/25**

**Time: 5:00 pm**

**Location: Virtual**

1. **Call to order:** 5:07 pm
2. **Roll Call**

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| **Role** | **Name** *(or Vacant)* | **Present or Absent** |
| **Principal** | **Keisha Knight** | **Present** |
| **Parent/Guardian** | **Brittany Martin** | **Absent** |
| **Parent/Guardian** | **Alex Wu** | **Present** |
| **Parent/Guardian** | **Vacant** |  |
| **Instructional Staff** | **Kristen Lyle** | **Present** |
| **Instructional Staff** | **Vincent Callender** | **Present** |
| **Instructional Staff** | **Nigér McMath** | **Present** |
| **Community Member** | **Carol Cooley** | **Absent** |
| **Community Member** | **Rev. Donavan J. Pinner** | **Present** |
| **Cluster Rep/Swing Seat** | **Derrick Ross** | **Present** |
| **Student** *(High Schools)* |  |  |

**Quorum Established:** Yes

1. **Action Items**
2. **Approval of Agenda:**

Motion to Approve Agenda made by: Vincent Callender; Seconded by: Derrick Ross

Members Approving: All

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining: None

**Motion** Passes

1. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** Will be discussed and put to a vote for approval after review in the next GO Team meeting
2. **Budget Approval (after discussion)**
3. **Discussion Items**
4. **FY 26 Budget Presentation**

Principal Knight attended the district staffing conference and presented the GO Team-approved FY26 draft school budget. The budget was **APPROVED** by the district. Members reviewed and discussed the budget presentation. There have been no additional updates or changes made since the last meeting.

**ACTION ITEM: GO Team vote on Final FY26 Hope-Hill Budget**

Motion made by: Derrick Ross; Seconded by: Vincent Callender

Members Approving: 6

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining: None

**Motion** Passes

1. **Information Items**
2. **Principal’s Report** – Hope-Hill had a TSI instructional walk with a lot of positive feedback. Throughout the walk, the commentaries were very positive regarding students wanting to learn and the teacher's approach to student learning outcomes. Additional commentary was given on how the school can strengthen the support of students.
3. We have 30 instructional days left to Georgia Milestones. Hope-Hill is operating to close achievement gaps and make sure our students are ready and able to not only master the milestones but also prepare students for middle school.
4. We have secured about 80% of our Safety and Security grant for this year. We are working on some requisitions previously submitted for the gate coming into the main parking lot for our school. The remaining percentage of the Safety and Security grant is for cameras that are going to be installed.
5. A traffic safety study was conducted by the Atlanta Department of Transportation wherein two groups walked the surrounding community. The study provided insight into how our community is laid out and what are the areas of opportunities for our students to commute to school in general.
6. STEAM updates were given involving working with Paint Love and a local artist that will be doing a mural on our playground. Th school theme is keepers of the community, and we are getting some mock-ups of the mural that matches that theme. Our teachers are actively participating in Art Now has garnered some interest from our sister schools that would like to participate in Art Now as well. Art Now is an organization that helps schools, especially STEAM schools, integrate the arts into the curriculum, dance, drama, visual arts, and music to allow students to have diverse curriculum exposure.
7. The Captain Planet Foundation is donating a garden for the playground groundbreaking happening on Friday, March 7, 2025. There is a Trust for public land, and it has pending permits for the playground
8. We have two partnerships that are still pending with Next Steps.
9. The College Football Association has given $50,000 for renovation.
10. **CAT Report-** Midtown cluster groups have a steam cluster initiative for school-based STEAM events. A **STEAM Calendar** of activities and eventswill be created for more collaboration as a cluster with the middle and high schools to be included. Building capacity planning and budget transitioning are topics being discussed and assessed at this time.
11. **Announcements – School-wide,** each grade level is seeing significant improvements and growth from beginning to developing and developing to proficiency with Write Score assessments. Fourth grade more than doubled their scores from the last assessment.
12. **Public Comments**  No comments were submitted for this meeting.
13. **Adjournment**

Motion made by: Vincent Callender; Seconded by: Reverend Donavan J. Pinner

Members Approving: All

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining: None

**Motion** Passes

**ADJOURNED AT** 5:46 pm

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**Minutes Taken By:** Nigér McMath

**Position:** Secretary

**Date Approved:** [Insert Date When Approved]