

School Improvement Committee Meeting Minutes Mauldin Elementary School Monday, October 14, 2025 12:00-1:00p.m.

Start time 12:05p

In attendance: Patrick Hawthorne, Amanda Rapp, Marlene Calloway, Kayla Goodridge, Kelsey Durham, Jennifer Dodds and Crystal Beal

Admin Update:

- State Report Card will now be released in November to show test scores
- Mastery Connect is taken by 2nd-5th graders 3 times per year; ELA will be tested on Friday, Math and Science (4th grade only) will be taken next week

PTA Updates:

• General Meeting next Monday before Student Showcase

Voting on Seats:

- Chair Crystal Beal; 4 ayes, 0 nays
- Secretary Amanda Rapp; 4 ayes, 0 nays
- Co-chair Still looking for someone that will be present at most meetings and be able to cover the meetings when the Chair is unavailable

Fall Fest:

- 18 raffle items were donated; 16 families were given free items
- There is a rough estimate of 38 families that came out which is lower than what was expected
 - This may be due to not sending out a formal paper reminder the week of the event; it was also parent weekend at both Clemson and USC.
- We gave out about 83 of the books that cannot fit in the book vending machine, also we gave Little Learners about 10 books or their childcare library.
- If we do Fall Fest 2026 in October, State Farm could offer a pumpkin pick up where families can decorate a pumpkin and have it judged the day of the fest. Christina Ortiz said she could arrange a \$50 to \$100 gift card to the winner.
- ***Christina is very well connected to a collective of other businesses that could offer sponsorships, donations, etc.

Book Vending Machine:

- We still have about 143 books left over that do not fit in the vending machine. We
 will be offering the Spanish language books to ML (Smith and Osbourne) to
 distribute to the right kids. We will be giving more to Rapp and LaRue to
 distribute to some of their kids.
- Books like Hot Rod Hamster/ Pete the Cat that we have 60+ copies of will be given out at the end of K5 for students to take home for summer reading
- Mrs. Meeks will be creating an "Opt-out" permission form (approved by Dodds) to be sent out to parents that do not celebrate birthdays. After those have been received back, we can start getting "birthday month" books out to students.

Meeting Schedule Availability:

- After discussing availability for our remainder meetings, we have decided that the 12-1p time slot works best and we will be moving the meetings to the 1st Monday of every month. Tuesdays do NOT work for most people.
- For the months that have conflicts due to no school, we will be moving those meetings to the 2nd Monday, prior to the PTA meetings.
 - Nov 3rd
 - Dec 1st
 - o Jan 12th
 - o Feb 2nd
 - o Mar 2nd
 - Apr 13th
 - May 4th
 - o Aug 17th
 - o Sep 14th
 - Oct 5th
 - The Aug, Sept, and Oct meetings are tentative for now and will be reviewed at the end of the 25-26 school year.

Growing SIC:

- 14 new parents/guardians have shown interest and the contact list is growing.
- We will be sending an upcoming meeting flyer to go out in Blue folders so more parents can join in on our meetings.
- Kayla will email 14 new members to let them know the new meeting schedule.

Goals for 25-26 is Math:

- Our focus this year will be on Math and we are looking to do "Moms do math" on Pi Day (3/14)
- We have Lunch and Learns scheduled for October:
 - Reading Oct 23rd
 - Math- Oct 30th
- We will create a flyer to go home in blue folders and Dodds will include this in the upcoming callouts. Reminder for the flyer, lunch is NOT provided.

Closed meeting at 1:04 p.m