

**PEEPLES ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL COUNCIL AGENDA
January 18, 2007**

The Peeples Elementary School Council met in regular session on Thursday, January 18, 2007, at 7:00 a.m. in the conference room at Peeples, 153 Panther Path, Fayetteville, GA, 30215.

School Council Members Present: Erin Roberson, Nancy Brunskole, Sonya Farr, Peggy Thomas, Cynthia Jones, Chip Gjertsen, Bob Page

1. Meeting was called to order by Erin Roberson at 7:03.
2. Approval of October 19, 2006 minutes : Motion to approve – Chip Gjertsen, Second – Bob Page
3. Recognition of Visitors/Speakers
 - Assistant Principal, Buffy Gray
4. New Business
 - Spanish Club – Mili Dee, a kindergarten teacher, offered to sponsor a Spanish club. We received approximately 150 responses from students to attend Spanish Club after school. Due to the large number of students interested, names were randomly drawn to have approximately twenty 3rd -5th graders in a first session and twenty K-2nd students in the second session.
 - Fall 2006 ITBS Results – see attached – Taken at grades 3 and 5. Achievement test – shows what content our students know. Timed test. Our students scored well above average in all areas. In third grade, our lowest score was math computation, and our highest score was reference materials. In fifth grade, the lowest score was in language arts punctuation, and the highest score was in social studies. When disaggregating scores based on gender, the scores were mostly consistent. In third grade, girls tended to perform slightly higher in language arts areas; and boys scored slightly higher in the math areas. There were no significant differences in scores of boys and girls at the fifth grade level.
 - Fall 2006 CogAT Results – see attached - abilities test – not an IQ test, but scores correlate closely. Administered to all second graders in our school. National average is 100; our school average was 107.
 - Update – Construction of New Elementary School(s) – Will be built at Inman Road and Highway 92. Projected to open Fall 2008. The opening of this new school will affect Peeples in an indirect way. Students from Minter will go to the new school, which will open up some room in Minter. It is possible that some of Peeples' and/or Spring Hill's students will then go to Minter. There are so many requirements to build a school including large amount of acreage, requirements for sewage, costs, road access, two ways into the property (for safety), etc.
 - Community Input – in newsletter -Technology Use at Peeples – This was an area of concern on our School Improvement Plan. The results from the survey indicated that parents are aware that students and teachers use technology in the classroom.
5. Unfinished or Continued Business
 - Board of Education Meeting Update – Chip Gjertsen – Positive words about construction projects. New board organized last Monday. Saturday, Jan. 27, is the new board's planning session for the year. New principal has not been named for Bennett's Mill Middle School, which will open in the Fall of 2007.
 - Peggy Thomas complimented the handling of the tornado warning.

6. Proposed Agenda Items for March 15, 2007
 - Cart path across from the school on Panther Path is almost finished. Construction of new homes across the street continues.
 - PTO Update, including plans for Spring Fling (April 20, 2007) and Scrip program.
 - 3 year history of ITBS and CogAT scores

7. Adjourn – Motion to adjourn at 7:55 was made by Peggy Thomas. Second – Chip Gjertsen. Unanimous vote to adjourn.