

**PEEPLS ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES  
May 17, 2007**

1. Call to Order – Meeting was called to order by Erin Roberson at 7:05. Members present: Bob Page, Nancy Brunskole, Peggy Thomas, Cynthia Jones, Sonya Farr, Erin Roberson
2. Approval of March 15, 2007 Minutes – Motion to approve minutes was made by Peggy Thomas. Second by Nancy Brunskole. Unanimous vote to approve followed.
3. Recognition of Visitors/Speakers
  - Assistant Principal, Buffy Gray
  - New Council Members – Stacey Weaver, teacher representative  
Nancy Gage, parent representative
4. New Business
  - Introduction of New Members
  - Changes in School Council Requirements:
    - i. A parent member must serve as Chairperson of School Council
    - ii. Parents of the school must make up the majority of the School Council (teachers who are parents do not qualify for this stipulation)
  - Fayette County Education Foundation Grants – our school made many requests, several were selected
    - i. An Audience Responder – Teacher may create a quiz which will be shown through a computer projection system. All students have a remote to respond to the answer – similar to game shows. It displays a graphic that shows the percentage of students who chose each answer. This allows the teacher to immediately discuss misconceptions. It also creates reports for the teacher. It will be used on a checkout basis so it will be available to all teachers. Mrs. Annis is researching to find a system that is user friendly and provides the most valuable information for the teacher.
    - ii. Shakespeare dictionaries – for the gifted unit on Shakespeare
  - Summer Project Requests for Maintenance – see attached
  - Grade 5 Writing Results – see attached - State of Georgia scored Writing Assessment differently this year. Fifth grade students were given a topic on which to write. Papers were evaluated by trained scorers. Results: 95% of fifth grade students met or exceeded expectations on this assessment.
  - Major “Makeover” for Peeples this summer – Classrooms that are carpeted will be tiled and all walls will be painted. Teachers have been asked to take home all personal items. We are asking for any willing parent volunteers to help move items during post-planning. The following areas will be used for storage: Nancy Boyle’s room, gym, cafeteria, stage, fourth grade rooms, and half-sized rooms.
  - CRCT Results – class rosters arrived late Tuesday afternoon. Individual student reports have not yet arrived. Scores look great! Two students from third grade and five students from fifth grade did not pass the required sections. They will be

offered the opportunity to take summer school. They may retake those sections this summer.

- School Improvement Focus for 2007-08 – see attached – CRCT scores will also be analyzed and any needs/weaknesses will be added to our SIP.
- Enrollment for 2007-08 – see attached
- Staffing for 2007-08 – see attached – Special notes on staffing:
  - i. Kathy Robinson is job sharing with someone who has not yet been hired. Because students in this class will have two teachers, they will not be switching classes with another teacher.
  - ii. We will be adding a self-contained Autism class to our school. Amber Godwin will be the teacher, and a .5 special education teacher will be hired to assist with other special education students.
- Instructional Budget for 2007-08 – see attached – Mrs. Roberson will answer any questions at the next School Council meeting. Special recognition and thanks for our fabulous PTO for being so supportive and providing so many extra resources for our students and staff.
- Math Compacting at 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – Students will be assessed at the beginning of each unit. Students will be grouped according to their pretest scores at each unit. Second grade was selected to pilot for two reasons: all of the teachers at second grade were interested in doing math compacting, and 2007-08 will be second year for implementing the new math curriculum standards. (Grades 3-5 will implement the new math standards for the first time in 2007-08.)
- Other Questions:
  - i. Mrs. Thomas wanted to know what would happen to items purchased for our school at the current enrollment when our school becomes smaller. Mrs. Roberson explained that any items purchased by PTO would remain at our school. Anything bought with county funds will be returned to the county for disbursement to other schools.

#### 5. Unfinished or Continued Business

- Board of Education Meeting Update – Mrs. Thomas reported. Rezoning meetings will be closed. A parent representative for each school was selected to provide input and to communicate information. Also, the school system is having difficulty finding qualified special education applicants.
- Election of New Chairperson – must be a parent – Bob Page nominated Peggy Thomas. Cynthia Jones seconded the motion. Unanimous vote followed.
- Election of Vice Chairperson – Peggy Thomas nominated Bob Page. Nancy Brunskole seconded the motion. Unanimous vote followed.
- Election of Secretary – Bob Page nominated Erin Roberson. Nancy Gage seconded the motion. Unanimous vote followed.
- New Business Representative – any ideas? Mrs. Thomas suggested looking at our Spring Fling sponsors.
- Board of Education Representative – Peggy Thomas volunteered to take this position.
- School Culture Survey Results - see attached

- Direct Link – Each school has a representative from the Chamber of Commerce. Our representative is Tom Dicks. The Chamber of Commerce is hoping to match businesses with specific school needs.
  - Meeting Dates/Times for 2007-08 – Third Thursdays of August, October, January, March and May at 7:00am.
6. Proposed Agenda Items for 2007-2008
- Review of By Laws – attached
  - Grade 3 Writing Results
  - CRCT Scores
  - Rezoning Boundaries – invite parent representative
  - School Council Year Summary
  - Enrollment Update
  - School Improvement Plan
  - PTO plan – invite Roberta Dunn
  - SS Coordinator to talk about training for new GPS – invite Cathy Geis to the October meeting
7. Adjourn – Motion to adjourn was made by Nancy Brunskole. Second was made by Bob Page. Unanimous vote followed. Meeting was adjourned at 8:17a.m.