

**Finegan Elementary School  
School Advisory Council Minutes  
15 January 2019**

- Meeting Call to Order/Determination of a Quorum: 8:55am
- Attendance and Introductions: Shameka Brown (Principal), Jennifer Collier (Assistant Principal), Dana Carpenter (Staff, Parent, SAC Co-Chair), Christine Haldenwang (Staff, Parent, SAC Co-Chair), Sanguifie Mileon (Parent), Jennifer VanHoose (Teacher), Sandra Fraser (PTA President), Karen Bray (MFLC)
- Motion to adopt Agenda and Minutes by Jennifer VanHoose, 2nd by Shameka Brown, unanimous approval
- Old Business: Shameka Brown
  - Staff Update
    - Cynthia Wilder was hired as the paraprofessional to fill Ms. Miller's position
      - Waiting on the hiring process to be completed
- New Business
  - Mid-Year Stakeholders
    - Data focuses on 3rd through 5th
      - 3rd grade iReady Reading proficiency gains from their 2nd grade base line with 82% mid year proficiency
      - Incredible 3rd grade Achieve growth
      - 4th grade iReady Reading proficiency up to 62%
      - 4th grade Achieve have made slow growth gains
      - 5th grade iReady Growth at 77%
      - 5th grade Achieve making growth
      - Cannot count data for school grade from children who didn't take the test the previous year
        - Focus on getting those children on grade level
      - 3rd, 4th and 5th iReady Math on average have already met the expected goal
      - Problem Identification and Analysis
        - Meeting with all teachers bi-monthly to discuss data
        - Students who had not tested out of phonics were identified immediately
        - Majority of students have shown growth and those few who have not are identified and being addressed
      - Goal is to increase by 75 points
      - We need learning gains goal of 65%
      - We need a total of 57 of 88 4th and 5th graders to make gains
      - Need 13 of 23 bottom quartile to show increase

- Reports
  - PTA: Sandra Fraser
    - Love Grams Pre-Sales end Feb. 2nd
    - Donuts with Dad tomorrow 16 Jan 19
    - Pre-Pizza sale for Movie night going on
    - 25 Jan 19 is the general PTA meeting and movie night following
    - PTA providing snacks for Literacy Night on 31 Jan 19
  - Community:
    - School Liaison US NAVY: Sharon Kasica (sent in flyer)
      - DCPS Information Session on base at the Youth Center
        - Tuesday January 29, 2019 from 5:00-6:30pm
      - School Choice Office has moved to a different location
    - MFCL: Karen Bray
      - December was busy with life feed with Africa
        - Great support with Mr. Lynn and Mr. Pashley
        - Snowflakes with well wishes, comfort crew private letters set
      - Fear and Anxiety groups beginning soon with permission slips getting out
      - Looking for Comfort Crew for 2019/2020
      - Big PCS season Dec/Jan
  - School
    - Assistant Principal: Jennifer Beale-Collier
      - Mid-year scrimmage testing has been completed
      - Baseline testing is still happening
        - ELA, MATH, SCIENCE
        - Determines teachers VAM scores
          - 8 February 2019 is the deadline
          - 92% testing completed
      - Looking for new Cafeteria motivations
      - April and May will be district and state testing
        - Schedule forthcoming
      - 3rd, 4th and 5th math all at the same time
- Open Agenda
  - On Base Training: Christina Haldenwang
    - First two weeks of February will be training on base that may affect children's schedules and gate closures
  - Next Meeting: February 12th, 2019
  - Adjournment: 9:53am

Submitted By:  
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SAC Co-chair