



**Wilder Elementary School
 School Improvement Council Meeting Minutes**

DATE October 19, 2017	LOCATION Wilder Elementary School Sumter, SC
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ATTENDEES			
Parents	Teachers	Community Members	Ex Officio
LaVonda Johnson Amy Vohs Rachel Wright Teresa Oelze Rhodesia Trent	Courtney Geddings Justin Stapler		Mr. Wright

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER	7:55 am
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Agenda

- I. Welcome
- II. Celebrations
- III. School Updates
 - a) Was able to expand 1st (Ms. Jones) and 5th grade (Ms. Walters) classes
 - b) Speech pathologist, Valerie Ellis, to start on 10/26/17
 - c) Standards Based Report card for Kindergarten and 1st grade will be implemented this school year and will provide much more information about the progress of students than the regular report card. Favorable feedback from SIC parents who have already been exposed to it
- IV. District SIC Meeting Feedback
 Courtney Geddings, Amy Vohs, and Teresa Oelze attended the training session on October 17, 2017. They found the information very helpful and gained a greater understanding of SIC and the potential power and impact council members can have on supporting the implementation of the school's 5 year plan as well as driving changes
- V. Chairperson Thoughts
 We need to understand the bylaws of the Wilder SIC, Wilder's 5 year plan and how SIC can support, develop a relationship with the PTA as they can provide financial support, find ways to engage other parents possibly through the use of committees, and improve communication.
- VI. Opportunity to Share – Stakeholders
 Mr. Wright posed the question "Where do we want to go from now?" which lead to discussions on
 - improving the front space where the pre K and K playground use to be
 - how do we make drop-off and pick-up safer and smoother
 - building the SIC by reviewing the bylaws and agreeing on officers
 - the different methods of communications (webpage, Facebook, Remind App, texting) and the effectiveness of getting others involved
- VII. Next Steps – each member is to complete the following before the November meeting.
 - a) Review WES SIC Bylaws and 5 year plan
 - b) Research garden and landscape ideas for the front "yard"
 - c) Research drop-off and pick-up idea

MEETING CLOSED	9:00 am
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