

Mayor's Commission for Children Minutes

November 12th, 2024, 8 am

Hillcrest High School and AOC Annex location

Members present: Dr. Kaleen Long, Dr. Elizabeth Andrews, Dr. Tom Masterson, Dr. Christy Davis,
Bria Coale

Advisory Council: Dr. Kristen Thompson, Karen Kunkel, Kimberly Shinn-Brown, Carol Wooten, Danielle Kinkaid, Callie Carroll, Jessica Daughtery

Guests: Dr. Lathan, Dr. Hall, Dr. Kroll, Dr. Steingraber

Staff: Brigitte Marrs

Dr. Kaleen Long, Chairman of MCC, asked for corrections or approval of October minutes. Bria Coale mad a motion to approve the minutes as written. Dr. Elizabeth Andrews seconded that motion. Minutes approved.

Dr. Lathan gave us an overview of the current Strategic Plan for SPS and some of the priorities and areas that should be completed this school year. Many advances on building the safe complex at various elementary schools. Community may access during a storm event. Film has been installed on all the windows at ground level in elementary schools. Communication with parents continues to increase with various means and methods. The school district has improved its academic performance each year since the pandemic. Dr. Lathan engaged with questions from the Commission and Advisory Council. Meeting was adjourned at 9 am.

The group took a brief tour of Hillcrest and AOC choice program for 4th, 5th and 6th graders in the refurbished annex at Hillcrest.

Next meeting in December will be back at the Chamber and will be in the large conference room. We will be joined by members of the Sister Cities board to complete a survey by Bob Atchley.

Please bring your cell phone to the meeting to complete survey. There will be paper surveys too.