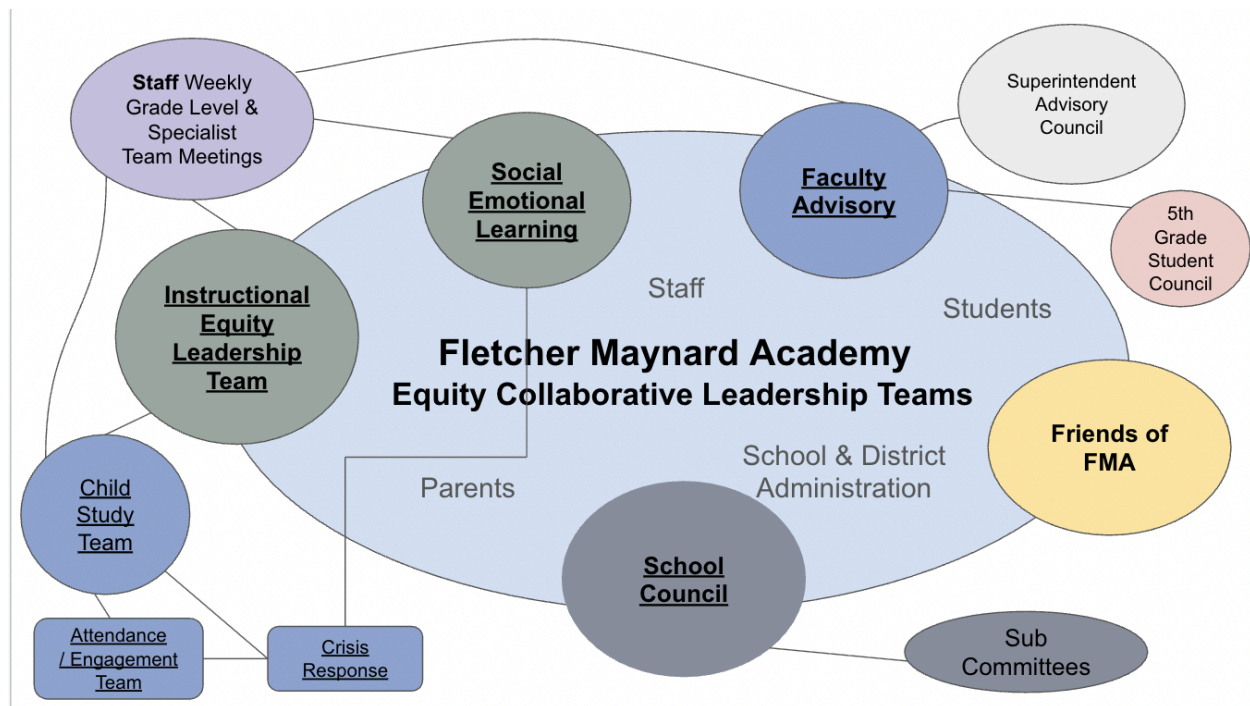


Fletcher Maynard Academy

School Site Council Meeting Agenda/Minutes

Date: Friday, September 11, 2026 Time: 9 AM - 10:30 AM



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Meeting Logistics/Details

Attendees:

Staff: Genteen Jean-Michel, Akesha McLean, Ershline Prince, Caitlyn Brown, Anna Lambert, ~~Kelly Rowan~~

Family Reps: LeLe Hsu, Loretta "Lori" Haynes, Devin Adams, Mala Reddy, Ben Helfat

Families: Emily Hoffman, Saba Kahassi, Stacy Swaim, Belicia, Caroline McIntyre, Nusrath Jahan, Sindyl Mathieu, Natalie Philips

Community Members: ~~Telesha Mervin~~

Family Liaison: Daniel Skeritt

Chairs: Genteen Jean-Michel + LeLe Hsu	Note-taker: Saba Kahassai	Time-keeper: Caitlyn Brown
<u>Team Meeting Norms</u> • Lean into the work • Give grace; assume best intentions & take responsibility for impact • Keep the meeting student/family focused • Be present • Be solution-oriented; pay attention to process • Share the air • Be reflective • Be intentional about language • Have fun!	<u>Meeting Objectives</u> Principal's welcome and expectations for this year Discuss the goals of the family representatives	
	<u>Pre-Work</u> • Review Agenda • Review ◦ CPS School Council Training Slides ◦ CPS School Council Handbook ◦ School Council Self-Assessment	

Time	Facilitator	Agenda Topic/Item
9:00 AM	Genteen	☒ Welcome and Introductions ☒ Review Norms ☒ Review the agenda, including the Tools/Resources Section. ☐ Review and accept minutes from the last meeting ☒ Updates and Comments from School Council Members ☒ First Few Days of School: 1st – 5th : 8 Days PreK & K: 6 Days ☒ Arrival & Dismissal ☒ Uniforms ☒ Focus on Learning
9:15 AM		CPS School Council Expectations ☐ Data Wise: <i>Data Wise is not a program. It's a systematic approach to organizing schools' core work around instructional improvement.</i> ☐  <i>Data Wise Slides for Families</i> ☒ CPS School Council Training Slides ☒ CPS School Council Handbook ☒ School Council Self-Assessment
10:00 AM	Genteen	☒ Future Meeting Dates Suggestions

		☐ Thursdays at 4:30- 6 pm on Monday, October 26, Monday, November 16, January 21, March 18, April 15, May 20, June 10 ☐ Mondays at 4:30-6:00 pm on October 26 and November 16	
10:15 AM	Guests	Open Comment	
	THANK YOU SO MUCH		

Notes:

- What are courageous conversations?
 - *Courageous conversations - was a space for families to come together and express their feelings towards SEL topics.*
- Past Sub Committees at FMA:
 - SEL
 - Family Engagement
 - Events
 - Communication

Arrival/Dismissal

- Parents have expressed concern about not being able to get out of their car and walk their children into school.
- Staggered dismissal
 - Thoughts on parents not being allowed in to the gate during dismissal and playground being closed until 4:10
 - Sometimes older siblings are waiting for younger siblings
 - Concern of Harvard St. traffic and chaos
 - Protecting the gate entrance/exit area
 - How will we maintain a sense of community and connection between families and staff
 - Idea: Section the courtyard for families or play area
 - Idea: kids can stay in the play area, but not play on the play structure
 - Idea: Slowly progress with 1) hold off playground area until 4:10p, 2) then add separate families and staff, etc?
- Arrival, playground, breakfast issues
 - Genteen will communicate with cafeteria staff to allow students to sit in the cafeteria before 7:45 whether eating breakfast or not. The cafeteria is the only space in the building with adult supervision before teachers sign in at 7:45
 - The playground is no longer open to PK-2nd grade students during arrival unless with a parent.
 - Unsupervised playground behavior expectations

Family engagement/Feedback

- Emily: Perhaps those conversations that the principal wants to have with families could be by grades... just because the issues and needs of the younger kids and families are different than the older kids. Host Pk-2 and 3-5 as an idea.

School council meeting time

- Proposed Thursdays 4:30pm-6pm for new school council meeting time to allow all teachers and families the option to attend
- Council will meet on Monday in October and November (Monday, October 26th and Monday, November 16th)
- No whole meeting in December and Feb. These are reserved for sub committees

Action Items:

- Add Telesha Mervin - Community School staff at FMA
- School council self assessment
- Talk to Devin Adams (LeLe) and Kelly Rowan (Principal Genteen)
- October Agenda:
 - Events? What are we cutting or changing?