

**Willie J. Williams Middle School
Local School Governance Team
October 1, 2015**

Present: Kevin Wimberly, Amanda Holt, Larry Wimberly, Sonny Richter, Will Southwell, Angie McLaughlin, Jamie Horne, , Becky Lewis and Cliff Willis.

Call to Order: Will Southwell brought the meeting to order on October 1, 2015 at 10:10am.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: Will Southwell gave the invocation, and the committee recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Items from Audience: There were no items brought before the committee from the general public to be addressed.

Proposed Minutes from August 27: Will Southwell made a motion to accept the August 27th minutes; the motion was seconded by Mrs. Lewis. The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda: Will Southwell made a motion to approve the agenda; the motion was seconded by Mr. Richter. The motion passed unanimously.

Items for Action by the Local School Governance Team:

Review of LSGT Modules 3 & 4: Dr. Horn discussed the purpose of these modules explain the system and school improvement plans and performance data as well as the School Governance Team purpose.

Information Items from the Principal/Curriculum Director:

- a.) Personnel – Highly Qualified: All teachers on staff are highly qualified. It was reported one teacher is in the process of being certified at this time. It was reported the pay scale in our school is based on education and experience.
- b.) Title 1: Dr. Horne reported Colquitt County Schools received 3.2M as a system in Title 1 funds. These funds go to teacher salary and school improvements. The reason we qualify for Title 1 funds are due to the low poverty level in our community.
- c.) Finance/Resource Allocation: Dr. Horne furnished detailed financials. This report gave detailed information on how and where money is allocated at WJW.
- d.) Curriculum News: Mr. Southwell reported this past summer a team of teacher's conference to determine where and why students were struggling in reading. The group determined a reading program needed to be implemented school wide. Every Wednesday all students at Williams meet for 32 minutes to read aloud to a partner. Each student is paired with a peer student that is in the same category, yet either higher or lower by a few lexile points. They parallel read to each other, discuss the text and help each other read. There are three different reading plans, PAL's (Pair Reading), Reciprocal (Reading in groups) and Phonics (using the ability to hear, identify, and manipulate phonemes). Periodically the students are re-tested to determine their reading levels to adjust their lexile level and replace them. The next testing is October 18th.
- e.) School Improvement Plan: Dr. Horne discussed the school improvement plans. He stated that the changes at the school are made as needed.
- f.) School Operations: Dr. Horne informed the council Williams is made up of good teachers; the teachers work diligently, implementing programs that are set by the school, state and federal requirements.

Items from the Local School Governance Team: None

Comments and Concerns: Dr. Horne reported that there have been serious problems at home football games from unsupervised students and children. The school board has determined at the next home football game, kids, students and children underage will enter the gate will be required to have a ticket and an adult. High school students will not be allowed in the game if they do not have their high school pass and a ticket.

Adjourn: With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:45am, with a motion by Mr. Southwell that was seconded by Larry Wimberly. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.