



TUCKER CLUSTER COUNCIL

Meeting Notes from TCC General Meeting September 17, 2019 at Livsey Elementary School



6:00PM Welcome & Introductions - Erin Kirn

6:05PM STEM for Every Child - Laura Bolsen

Provided a background and explanation of the non-profit she started earlier this year.

Girls Who Code 5 - 30 girls and provides \$300 for ASED P

In *Atlanta Magazine* November issue...voting is October 15 - November 15

Please visit www.Stemforeverychild.com

6:15PM BOE Update and E-SPLOST Budget Issue - Allyson Gevertz

SPLOST IV is still ongoing

SPLOST V are overbudget - sprinklers are up for elimination...this doesn't address student safety but building safety so refocusing. Idlewood - Security fencing is staying. Livsey has HVAC and plumbing. Midvale: High schools scheduled for artificial turf...those are being postponed. This can be funded by the GO Bond to be voted on in March with a project list.

Redistricting: Cascading redistricting is not being proposed by the County at this time, but this would significantly impact the Tucker cluster if it were proposed.

Moving the magnet from Chamblee is being proposed.

SPLOST IV k-12 arts school. There is going to be a hearing to be decided between separate programs, new building or stick to combining at Avondale Middle. In order to take it off SPOST IV then it needs to be declared infeasible. AIC Thursday night.

Connect with Allyson on Facebook, www.allysongevertz.com and monthly newsletter.





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6:45PM Open Work Orders – DCSD Operations, Dan Drake

Region 2 has 1,087 open work orders...highest in the County.

SSC – contractor to add to existing Facilities Maintenance staff which is super low. Right now, they are working reactive rather than proactive. Each High and Middle School has an onsite person to open work orders in order to approve timeline of work orders and they are soon going to oversee making sure they get done.

Many of the work orders are complete but they haven't been closed out. Working on it. Maintenance Connect – is the app the staff used.

TCC: 415 open work orders. Idlewood tops the list and Ms. Elder stated that there is a response and the list is diminishing.

Priority is decided by need.

7:15PM School Updates – Tucker Cluster Principals

Tucker Middle: Pablo Cartoya is coming to speak...Will and Grace. October Read a-thon.

Smokerise: Donuts with Dad – 268. STEM Hydroponics garden

Brockett: 180 grandparents at lunch. Penny Wars going on right now. Donuts for Grown up. Fall festival. Applying to be an IB school.

Midvale: Read-a-thon: Sleeping in a tent as an incentive. School wide morning meetings Positive profiles the illustrate IB character traits. Innovation Team: PBL, Inquiry and Master Gardener Cert. Learning Garden

Livsey: Whoos-Reading \$10,000. Grandparents day luncheon 200 came out. Technology Club is new. Growth Mindset kick-off party yesterday. STEM cert process is ongoing. Should be done by spring...Certification.

Idlewood: Morning meetings have been implemented. Idlewood News: fifth grade students have a program. Grandparents 90. October 19th beautification day with Tucker Brewing C. Outreach program. Culturally responsive trainings for staff.

Tucker High: Not present due to tonight being Curriculum Night at THS



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7:25PM Closing Remarks

Region 2 Superintendent Mr. Arnold invites the TCC to tour Fernbank ES on October 23rd at 10:30 AM. Please notify us if you plan to attend.

A call for a point person at each school to connect with the City of Tucker to provide items for the Brag Sheet featured in each newsletter.

Our next TCC Meeting is planned for Tuesday, November 19th at 6PM in Tucker Middle School's Media Center. Please email questions or any agenda ideas to tuckerclustercouncil@gmail.com

The Tucker Cluster Council's purpose is to create a unified voice to efficiently and effectively communicate the needs of every school in our cluster to the DeKalb County School District.

**More information can be found online at
www.tuckerclustercouncil.org**