

Fairhope EAC Meeting Minutes, 1.2.19

Members Present: Tanya Bosarge, Hank Burch, Ken Cole, Robin Coleman, Colby Cooper, Elizabeth Hammock, Carrie McLemore, Hill Robinson and City Councilman, Robert Brown

Guests: Gary Gover and Principal Carol Broughton

1. Chairman Ken Cole called meeting to order at 4:30PM.
2. Minutes from the December meeting were unanimously approved.
3. Ken Cole reflected on the achievements made in 2018:
 - a. FES was 1 of 50 schools statewide recognized for moving the needle substantially on their reading scores
 - b. All 5 Fairhope schools achieved an “A” on the state report card and averaged a 93.6%
 - c. In July, 4 of 5 city councilman attended our EAC meeting and broadly expressed support for raising additional funds for our schools
 - d. BCBE agreed to sell the K-1 Center to the city, guaranteeing \$350K per annum to our schools for five years
 - e. We established a renewed dialogue with FEEF
 - f. We added 5 new EAC members
4. Goals and Responsibilities for 2019:
 - a. Fill the 1 vacant seat on the EAC
 - b. Meet with Superintendent Tyler
 - c. Colby to put together a 1-page fact sheet on funding and other metrics
 - d. Robert to lead the political charge to place education at the forefront
 - e. Hank to follow-up with his Eastern Shore contact in order to gather data about how other groups might raise campaign financing
5. Meeting adjourned at 5:45PM.
6. Next meeting: February 6 @ 4:30PM, Fairhope Public Library, unless a special meeting is called to meet with Superintendent Tyler.