

Welleby Elementary School
School Advisory Committee Minutes
December 2, 2025

- I. **Roll Call to Establish Quorum**
Take roll and established quorum.

II. **Welcome and Introductions – Approved Minutes**

III. **Attendance**

- There were 7 Committee Members in attendance for today's SAC Meeting.

IV. **Review of November SAC Meeting Minutes**

- Mr. Jerome reviewed and went over the SAF Minutes from the November SAF Meeting

V. **School Improvement Data and Goals**

- Last meeting we did share out school data including, attendance data, subgroup data, etc.
- At every meeting there should be discussion about ongoing Student Improvement data.
- We looked at a snapshot of "baseline school data".
- District compares PM 1 from this year to PM 1 last year.
- There are 2 ways to look at the baseline data.
- The district looks at this data as we test. We start testing for PM 2 in early December.
- According to last year's parent survey, we discovered that parents want more information and materials from the school to work with their children at home to prepare for the FAST test.

VI. **Input from Stakeholders**

- Spending \$4,500 of the accountability funds on the educational program Brain Pop was voted on and approved at the Special Committee Meeting on November 21, 2025.

- **A teacher** said unlike other programs Brain Pop is not just “reading and math based”, as it has many other components included in it.
- **A parent** mentioned Brain Pop has a lot of great benefits, and it helps students learn in a fun and exciting way.
- **A second teacher** mentioned that all grade levels have access to Brain Pop which is a great thing.
- **A third teacher** spoke on how using the left-over funds after purchasing Brain Pop, perhaps can be used on improving Special areas (such as new, updated books for the library).
- **A second parent** explained how her child loves Brain Pop and how helpful she feels it is for her child's academics.
- **A third parent** asked how long it will be until we get the Brain Pop renewal being that our current 1-year subscription ends in January 2026.
- **A fourth teacher** said that her class uses Brain Pop regularly and she feels it has been a huge advantage in helping her students raise their academic scores.
- **Another teacher** mentioned that Brain Pop is a program that runs “year-round” including the summer.

VII. **Accountability Funds**

- We had held a Special Committee Meeting on November 21, 2025, to vote on Brain Pop. We had the votes accounted for. It passed.
- Welleby has \$12,045.90 in Accountability Funds.
- We needed 51% of the committee members to conduct a vote. We met that quorum on the special committee meeting November 21, 2025.
- Brain Pop has a lot of great benefits, and it helps them learn in a fun and exciting way.
- **Using a portion of the accountability funds Brain Pop was approved by our committee.**
- It likely will take quite a while to get the Brain Pop approved.

- After purchasing the Brain Pop (\$4,500 approximately) we will have left over accountability funds so we will have to discuss how to spend the left-over funds.
- Even with "Emergency Meetings" we must document the minutes for the meeting.
- We will discuss at the next SAF Meeting ideas on how we can spend the left-over accountability funds.
- There was an emergency meeting for the vote which was a quorum (51% of the committee) to for BrainPOP. The remainder will be voted in a future meeting on how to spend the left-over accountability funds.
- On December 9, 2026, at the Amarant Center there will be a special event where our school will send the leadership team to help promote our school and how effective and efficient it is.
- Welleby has \$12,045.90 in Accountability Funds.
- Typically, the funds roll over. This year the funds will not roll over to next year.
- We really must use it, or we will lose it.
- They may not be trained or understand to know how to do this properly.
- Brainstormed ideas on how we could use the Accountability Funds efficiently.
- We will have to vote on how to spend the Accountability Funds.
- After this school year, we will not get the Accountability Funds again next school year.
- The school needs 51% of the committee members to be present to vote on the usage of the Accountability Funds.
- We were 1 committee member short today at this meeting to have a "vote" on the Accountability Funds. We do not have a quorum currently.
- We decided that we will continue to discuss how to best spend the "left-over accountability funds" at our next SAF Meeting in January.

- It is not a quick turnaround for the project or item we decide on to take place. It can be a lengthy process.
- **A reminder was brought up of the options we had previously brainstormed at the last SAF Meeting of Parent Suggestions for how to spend the Accountability Funds were as follows:**
 - **The Playground** – upgrade the playground or install a tent over the playground. This is a great idea but will cost more than the amount of funds that we have.
 - **Brain Pop** – Our current subscription expires in January 2026. The new quote to keep Brain Pop is \$4,500. It is a 1-year subscription. Unlike some programs it will not cut off in the summer. It does have to be approved by the district and hence the School Board.
 - **Technology** – Create a Computer Lab on campus for students. We used to have a Computer Lab before we had enough laptops for every student to have a computer in school. Now Welleby has a 1:1 ratio of student to computer.
 - **Academic Camps** – Would benefit students by giving them extra tutoring in Math, ELA, and Science. We have done this in the past. We would need teachers to volunteer to work the academic camps (and get paid) to properly teach the students.
 - **Extra Curriculars (like PE, Art, Media)**- Since all students attend these Specials could we use the funds towards improving or helping PE, Art, and Media in specific manners.

VIII. **SESIR Report**

- There is nothing to report currently.
- Meeting adjourned**