Country Hills Elementary School

SAC Minutes – August 24, 2026 **DRAFT**

CALL TO ORDER:

1. A meeting of the Country Hills Elementary School Advisory Council was held in the Media Center on Monday, August 24, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 2:40pm by SAC Chair Lindsey Harrington. SAC Secretary Jessica Gittens will record minutes for the meeting.
    a. Members in attendance: See Sign in sheet. We have a quorum, with 13/26 members in attendance.

2. June 1, 2026 meeting minutes were given out and reviewed. A motion to approve June 1, 2026 minutes as written was made by Lindsey Potts. The motion was seconded by Nicole Kearney. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. N/A

REPORTS:

1. Principal's Report given by Principal Meacham.
    - Smooth opening of school; few changes with dismissal for Special Programs and Private Aftercare; in a.m. parents should not be in breezeway leading to front office or school entry
    - Class size-over our projection at 786 from 729; received 12 growth position; classes high numbers; 3rd grade opening
    - Leader in Me kicked off-seeing positive impacts
    - Screen Time and iReady-K and 1st has zero screen time except for testing; more teacher time; Grades 2-5 still has iReady but limited to 30-49 minutes with absolutely no HW online-iReady will turn off; K-1 no assessments online, all paper-based; 2nd-5th is school based decision (hybrid model being discussed with teams
    - Campus Monitor-only have 1 now, but district looking at taking all 2nd ones away at elementary level
    - New student chairs for 4th and 5th grade, as well as 3rd.
    - Head Custodian took position elsewhere

2. Sip Monitoring & Stakeholder Feedback: SIP Plan goals were presented to SAC by SAC Chair Lindsey Harrington. Stakeholder feedback: focusing this year on bottom quartile, even though we were an A school again. ESE support, WIN groups, etc for helping those kids

3. SESIR report: N/A

4. SAC Accountability Funds: Current balance is $0

5. PTA Update presented by PTA President, Nicole Kearney. First meeting 8/25 at 8:30am

6. BTU Update presented by BTU representative, Kristy Gilroy. Tomorrow is TOY voting

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SAC vs. SAF Committee Purposes: Powerpoint presented by SAC Chair Lindsey Harrington.

2. Leader in Me Update: Presented by Mallory Franco. All classes implementing in their classrooms the 8 habits; building self-renewal to be better leaders; staff training at beginning of year; 7 Habits trees posted around school; each teacher has a Classroom Mission Statement; students having leadership roles within their classrooms

3. SAC/SAF Topics of Interest: SAC members provided the following topics they would be interested in hearing about at future SAC meetings.
    - Ai software
    - Mrs. Binner (Ai contact)

4. SAC Chair, Lindsey Harrington, shared an update on Teacher Trainings:

    - **New Worlds Reading Teacher Professional Learning** – Lindsey Harrington and Lourdes Read
    - **ELA Standards Study** – Lindsey Harrington and Angela Scalici-Young
    - **Teacher to Coach Pre-Credentialing Program –** Lindsey Harrington
    - **UFLI Academy for Coaches** – Angela Scalici-Young
    - **Classroom Conversations** – Kelly Austen
    - **Colonial Williamsburg Teacher Institute (HERO Grant)**Arlette Brodmerkel/Kerry Gerlach
    - **Social Studies Training in Washington D.C. (Edge Grant)** – Arlette Brodmerkel

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Next Meeting will be held at Country Hills Elementary in the Media Center on Monday, September 28th, 2026 at 2:40pm

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:

1. None at this time

Meeting Adjournment:

SAC Chair Lindsey Harrington called to adjourn the meeting at 3:19pm. Motion made by Nicole Kearney and seconded by Angela Scalici-Young. The motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by,
Jessica Gittens
Name of Position on Board: SAC Secretary
Approval Date: