Peachtree Charter Middle School
Executive Council Meeting

**APPROVED MINUTES**
May 15, 2012
**4:30 – 6:30 PM PCMS Media Center**

**Our Mission: Through a spirit of teamwork, Peachtree Charter Middle School supports students in realizing their academic and personal dreams.**

2010-2015 Charter Goals – Monthly Reference

1. To increase reading ELA comprehension in grades six through eight.
2. To increase mathematical abilities in grades six through eight.
3. To improve students’ and teachers’ ability to use technology effectively and appropriately.
4. To close the racial achievement gap.
5. To develop a more positive school climate through school wide discipline, charter education, and by developing intercultural awareness to enhance the academic environment.
6. Continue to promote parental and community involvement.
7. Meeting Called to Order @ 4:31
8. Determination of Quorum (at least 3 teachers and 4 parents and principal are present) Heptinstall, Johnson, Ratonyi, deVaux, Pinholster, Herman, Catoe, Bass, Frutiger, Clinch, Shauri, Horlock, McJilton (Foundation), Kim McGeorge (Foundation) Bezona, Tavolacci, Ward, Kern, Smith, (incoming council members)
9. Welcome Council Members, Incoming Council Members and Guests
10. Community Member Comments
11. Approval of April Council Meeting minutes Motion to approve –Heptinstall, 2nd Catoe – Minutes Approved
12. Principal’s Report:
	1. Soccer had a successful season. All teams did well. U-14 will go to the playoffs, expected to be successful. Soccer will remain a Spring sport, with parents trying to join other clubs in the fall to keep the team competitive.
		1. The Fall is already busy with Football, Basketball, and possibly Volleyball next year.
	2. 100 dollars from the TOTY line item to the school account to pay for the TOTY banquet.
	3. Move 500 from Principal’s Fund to the School for end of the year Teacher Bowling Party
		1. Check the balance due to overage from Teacher Appreciation Luncheon- expected to be able to cover it.
	4. Elementary Tours went relatively smoothly
		1. Incident with one student, has been resolved
		2. Create an Ambassadors of Peachtree to host coffees at their homes to discuss the wonderful educational experience that PCMS offers its students.
	5. Staffing: 1 open PE position, 1 open 8th grade Math position, Ms. Zhou is moving to 7th grade, 1 AP opening, 1 Reading Opening- Mr. Tolle is moving to 8th grade Language Arts. Ms. Schrieber will be teaching Language Arts to complete the gold team. Losing 2 SpEd positions due to lower numbers- no personnel loss.
	6. Incoming 6th grade has 440, the current 6th grade began at 520.
	7. PR- greatschools.org only has 8 ratings and they do not accurately reflect our school.
	8. College and Career Readiness Performance Index for Middle Schools is a new evaluation systems for schools- since GA has been exempted from AYP. This will be a benefit for PCMS because it measures many criteria including students Lexile scores and students who take courses for HS credit.
	9. HB1176- Child Abuse Reporting- requires all volunteers to go through child abuse training. Must think of a way to do this efficiently and to be able to monitor those who have completed the training
		1. Will trainings done through other programs count? (Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, United Methodist Church)
		2. Is there a way to make sure this is available online?
13. Action Team Reports
	1. Curriculum and Instruction (Ratonyi/Frutiger)
		1. Registration Update – Proposed Dates – August 2, 2012 8:00am-12:00pm for 6th graders, August 8th, 7:30am-2:00pm 7th grade from 7:30-10:30 8th grade from 11:00am-2:00pm
			1. Schedule Council Members to work a shift – all Council members will work a shift, be prepared to sign up once dates are solidified
			2. Approve registration form – combined PTCC/Foundation- the two groups will be raising funds together.
				1. There were changes made to the form- things deleted, some things added; it was approved by the body
		2. Cultural Arts schedule for next year
	2. Finance (DeVaux/Heptinstall)
		1. Budget update
		2. Directory – Still need a committee

* 1. Facilities and Equipment (Clinch/Pinholster)- None
		1. New committee- research getting access to youtube/edu through the County.
		2. Mr. Clinch is available for any social media, FB/Skype etc stuff anytime despite rolling off the committee.
	2. School Activities (Bass/Herman
		1. Status of CV Classic
			1. Chair position filled need co-chair and advertisements
				1. Meeting during the summer to discuss it.
		2. Patriot Games- Wed, Thurs, Fri of this week. Pizza is ordered.. all set to go.
		3. 8th Grade Dance- Ready to go. Tickets sold in the classroom.
	3. School Climate (Horlock/Shauri)
		1. Faculty/Staff Appreciation lunch –
			1. Everyone appreciated it
				1. Not enough gluten free options – not because people don’t like gluten, just because they wanted salad instead
				2. Perhaps a survey next year to gauge staff and faculty preferences
	4. Family and Community Relations (Johnson/Catoe)
		1. Hospitality Committee
			1. Honors and Awards – reception problems
				1. There were cookies and punch for 20 or so people, 300 came in the cafeteria.. people were also expecting more than cookies and punch.

1. Deputy Chairperson’s Report
2. Chairperson’s Report
	1. Action Team Committee Update
		* 1. Request for volunteers for CV Classic has been sent to feeder schools
	2. Year End Report and Thank You
		1. Summer meeting for parents of 6th graders to discuss PTCC/Foundation and volunteer opportunities
		2. New Marquee
		3. Landscape plan in place to be completed in the fall
		4. Stephanie Holmes brought attention to our track, which is scheduled to be replaced by the county
		5. PTCC and PCMS Foundation are working together in fundraising
		6. “Thanks to everyone…I’ve enjoyed it…I will miss every one of you!” –Karen Domenico
3. Old Business
4. New Business
	1. 2012-2013 Council Member Elections
		1. Chair- Allegra Johnson
		2. Deputy Chair- David Herman
		3. Corresponding Secretary- Karen Bass
		4. Recording Secretary- Jill Catoe
		5. Treasurer (Finance Action Team chair)Paige Ratonyi
		6. Finance- Paige Ratonyi
		7. Facilities and Equipment- Julie Kern, Ted Ward
		8. School Activities- Andrew Tavolacci, David Herman
		9. Curriculum and Instruction- Karen Bass, Jill Catoe
		10. School Climate- Laura Horlock, Tammy Bezona
		11. Family and Community Relations- Terry Shores, Sarah Smith
5. Upcoming PTCC Events and School Activities
	1. Patriot Games May 16-18
	2. 8th Grade Dance – May 18
	3. PTCC Executive Council **Wednesday, June 20** at 4:30 new and old council (Final Transition Meeting)