



SERC Minutes of September 1, 2010
Farragut Middle School

Attending:

Russell Barber
Margaret Johns
Carol Littlejohn
Carla Lyle
Shannon Warden
Gary Palmer
Valerie Millsapps
Mike Reynolds (Principal of FHS)
Kay Wellons (Principal of FIS)
West-Side Shopper Reporter

1. Roll call (Johns)
2. Approval of August minutes
3. Call for any additions to the agenda:
 - Review of SERC from 2009 to present: Johns reviewed both the long-term and short-term goals. Short-term goal: Supply Our Schools (SOS) program that ended on August 20, 2010; long term-goal: connect with an ongoing volunteer program. Will revisit these goals next meeting. Lyle stated that our main focus should be on public awareness.
4. Review of Old Business
Supply Our Schools Project:
Barber, Lyle and Littlejohn distributed flyers to local stores to announce the school supply drive. At the conclusion on August 20th, project provided two large bins of paper and supplies at Town Hall.
Some suggestions for improvement :
 - Aim for established businesses, banks, churches and Farragut library
 - Also, target stores that sell supplies and paper (CVS, Walgreens, Staples, Kroger)
 - Possible use of Boy Scouts or other young adult leadership programs
 - SOS project should be extended for longer time
 - More advertising is essential for success
 - Logistics of drop-off should be further discussedJohns, Warden and Barber agreed to deliver current school supplies to 5 schools. Johns will contact Guy Marco from FHS to discuss using high school students for community service projects. Barber will contact the

Boy Scouts for participation of local Scouts in community service projects.

- County-wide volunteer program:
 - Partners in Education is still developing database and is pleased that SERC committee has expressed interest.
 - New Business:
 - Officer elections for 2010-11: Margaret Johns, President; Shannon Warden, Vice President; Carol Littlejohn, Secretary.
 - Meeting dates/times: Committee will now meet the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 AM at the Town Hall.
 - Farragut High School Foundation: Littlejohn will contact Jerry Martin for an update of FHSF database, marketing and endowment plans.
 - Collect helpful statistics from schools: Johns will send request to schools for useful statistics. Example: How many students voluntarily transfer to a Farragut school (usually with no additional funds)? Reynolds stated that 148 students transferred to FHS this school year. (Most Title 1 schools receive about \$20,000 in additional funds, but FHS does not receive any Title 1 funds, absorbing the cost of each student.)
 - Upcoming agenda: Johns will post the agenda earlier on Farragut website so members can suggest additional issues.
6. Adjournment at 3:33 PM.

Next meeting is on Tuesday, October 5, 2010 at the Town Hall.