

Sabillasville Environmental School

Board of Directors Meeting

November 10, 2025 6:00 PM

Members in attendance: Shelby Green, Denny Willard, Sheena Talley, Emily Darling, Alisha Yocum, Robert Black, Janet Boden

Remote: Jeffrey Finch, Justine Rogers, Kara Wolf, Sadie Wiles

- I. Approval of the agenda as submitted was moved by D. Willard and seconded by J. Boden.
- II. Alisha called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. There was no public comment.
- III. Approval for the October Minutes was moved by D. Willard, and seconded by J Finch. Approval passed unanimously.
- IV. Financials(J. Finch)
 - A. Currently we have a liquidity of \$249,129. In September we operated at a small loss of \$7,253, but YTD we are operating at a surplus of \$5,227. S. Green moved to approve the Financial report, seconded by D. Willard. Board passed unanimously.
- V. Principals Report (S. Talley)
 - A. Celebrations- SES is proud Maryland 4 star school! This is an improvement from our 3 star rating last year. We celebrated by decorating the halls and students earning extra time for recess.
 - B. Enrollment- Still short 18 students for full enrollment.
 - C. School Improvement- We have been in the last round of PD with teachers, and created supplemental reading plans for the ready to read act. Also worked through math based on the data. Individualized coaching sessions/additional planning with specialists. A special ed team is meeting every friday to review student groupings. ALP cycle will continue with the rotation between math and ELA. Barb and Talley visited New Market Middle with a supervisor from mathematics. They observed 3 classes and brought some takeaways back on how to support our students.
- VI. Facilities (A. Yocum)
 - A. Pannels- Contractor coming out Friday to give us a quote.
 - B. Greenhouse-Materials have been ordered and on Monday the 24th, we will need help re-wrap the greenhouse to repair the rips. Working through the mechanical pieces to get the parts ordered. Submitted a letter to Dr. Lebo inquiring about a wifi extender to pair the automated system to. Part of the greenhouse will be converted to an outdoor learning space, including a whiteboard, and picnic tables.
 - C. Brick Wall Repair- Mason did hear back from Frederick Brick works, they do not make matching bricks anymore. We will need to move onto demolishing the two walls to use those bricks for repairs. We did ask FCPS for approval to move forward with the project.
 - D. Soap Dispenser-Current soap dispensers are being discontinued, but custodial staff have sourced soap to get through the end of the year and FCPS told us they

would replace the current dispensers with new ones with no additional cost at the end of the year.

- VII. Grants (E. Darling)-
 - A. Community Foundation Grants- Will wait to hear until the end of December for results.
 - B. The Gladhill grant will not be available to apply for until January.
 - C. MD Alliance Grant (A. Yocum)- we have \$85,000 left on the grant, and would like to wrap it up by the end of the year. One idea is to replace all the chalk boards with new whiteboards. We can also toss the panel repair in the grant funding. Additionally we ordered a new smart board for the art room, and we could consider new furniture for the 7th/8th grade.
- VIII. MSDE Charter Funding Regulations (A. Yocum) The group had their second follow up meeting. They have until Friday to submit feedback, the largest concern, is setting a cap on the percentage they could take from charter schools. They proposed 7%, to keep operations viable. The state board meets this month, and if approved it would go out for public comment for the month of January. The group also asked that before they pass the regulation, could an example be provided.
- IX. PTO updates (K. Wolf)-
 - A. November 1st was the Fall Family Fun night and was a huge success.
 - B. Fresh wreath fundraiser again this year. Looking to start making them after Thanksgiving. Pick up Dec 4th and 11th. Orders are due November 21st.
 - C. NY Bus trip planned for 12/13/25 at \$100 per ticket and leaves at 6AM.
 - D. Middle School Dance Jan 23rd, after school.
 - E. Skate night is looking like February 1st 5-730pm.
 - F. The next meeting will be Monday December 1st .
- X. Motion to Adjourn was made by R. Black, Seconded by S. Green. The meeting adjourned at 6:29 and moved to the closed session.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shelby Green