

**SGT Minutes**  
**September 30, 2020**

- Members present: Michael Keown, Gary Butts, Peter Ott, Kendrick Maxwell, Melissa Jarrell, Sarah Coleman, Kiarra Howard, Armand Cunningham, Jill Rogers
- The SCHS SGT met at 12:00 pm. Melissa Jarrell called the meeting to order.
- Kendrick Maxwell made a motion to approve the August minutes and Gary Butts second.
- MK introduced the SGT Student Representatives - Kiarra Howard and Armand Cunningham. He discussed how they were chosen through a teacher survey and then the leadership team narrowed it down to two representatives.
- Kiarra and Armand gave a brief summary of how the school year was going for them.
- MK discussed Handbook Policy changes:
  - Promotion/Retention Policy - If approved will not take place until SY2021-2022. Current Program Requirements were discussed which do not align with the GHSA academic eligibility requirements. Admin Team would like to align the promotion/retention policy with graduation requirements and GHSA academic eligibility. This would eliminate the “paper” classification to help with senior classifications (senior with senior counselor, senior pictures in yearbook, etc.) SGT will vote on this at the next meeting.
  - Student Code of Conduct - If approved, will start in January 2021. Discipline Policy/Vapes. Discipline referral #'s for vaping incidents were given for SY 2018-2019. Vaping related discipline referral #'s have declined due to Spring Quarantine during SY 2019-2020 along with the current SY having restrooms closed during class changes and other changes made due to COVID.
    - Vapes are currently handled like tobacco products for disciplinary purposes. Rarely see tobacco but dealing with a lot of vapes/DAP pens.
    - If THC oil is found, then it is treated as a drug disciplinary action.
    - The Middle School changed their policy this year. 1st offense 2 days ISS, 2nd offense OSS with 3rd offense Alternative School.
    - New law in GA - SB365 raised the age to buy a vape to 21 which then charges students with a misdemeanor if caught with one under the age of 21.
    - MK brought up some area schools and how they have changed their policy to deal with vapes. KM asked if they have noticed a trend down in discipline. MK will get back with these schools and check.
    - PO asked the student representatives if they thought a stricter policy would make a difference. Both thought it would.
    - PO asked about the logistics of Alternative School and how it is run. ALL virtual with students not allowed on campus. It can be issued in increments of till the end of semester/180 days/year long.
    - Voting will take place at the next meeting after MK talks with our SRO about SB365 and surrounding principals about how the stricter vaping rules are working.

- MJ asked how the new bathroom procedures were working out and if there had been any problems. KM and GB stated how they liked the track and field being unavailable to fans during games. Concession stand area also problem free.
- Administration Updates:
  - Chromebooks have been ordered but backordered until Oct/November.
  - List currently being created for teachers that need touchpanels. We plan to order them in January.
  - Approximately 20 students came back from virtual to f2f at the 20 day deadline. Students were able to be grouped VL/f2f to help teachers with instruction/planning. Administration plans to look at failing VL and encourage them to come back f2f.
- Q&As:
  - Pep Rallies - Any possibility to have 1 outdoors? Right now there is not one planned but will discuss having 1 toward the end of season.
- Volleyball - 3rd in region with a chance to make it to State.
- Next meeting is October 28, 2020.
- KM motioned to adjourn with GB second.