

**Meeting Agenda**  
**Buckland Mills Elementary School Advisory Council**

**Date:** September 16, 2025

**Time:** 5:45-6:30 pm

**Staff Attendees**

Ms. Odedra – Principal

Ms. Harrison – Assistant Principal

Mr. Hoffa – Assistant Principal

Ms. Hurt – Certified Staff Member for Grades K-2

Ms. Colley – Certified Staff Member for Grades 3-5

Ms. Ghafoori – Classified Staff Member and Parent Liaison

**Council Members**

- Chairman: Ms. Odedra
- Vice Chairperson: Mr. Oberoi
- Secretary: Ms. Harrison and Mr. Hoffa
- Timekeeper: Mr. Kryway
- Staff Representatives:
- Classified Staff Member: Ms. Ghafoori
- Certified Staff Member for Grades K-2: Ms. Hurt
- Certified Staff Member for Grades 3-5: Ms. Colley
- Superintendent's Advisory Council: OPEN POSITION

**Welcome & introductions**

- Reviewed SAC Members
- Discussed open position of Superintendent's Advisory Council representative
  - This open position will be advertised so that a school representative can be selected

**Bylaws**

- Reviewed and discussed the School Advisory Council Bylaws
- They will be edited and updated on the school website
- Monthly SAC meeting notes will also be posted on the school website

**BMES Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) Current Status**

- Reviewed the current status for each component of the CIP
  - Learning and Achievement for All
    - Reading – 82%
    - Math – 82%
    - Science – 77%
    - VA Studies – 83%
  - Positive Climate and Culture – 91% staff retention
  - Family and Community Engagement – throughout the year, BMES maintained a high functioning school advisory committee
- Shared SY 25-26 Strategic Priorities
  - Learning and Achievement for All
    - Increase reading achievement for ELL students and students with disabilities.

- Increase math achievement for ELL students and students with disabilities.
  - Increase science achievement for all students.
- Positive Climate and Culture
  - Increase students' positive response to feelings of confidence in resolving peer conflicts.
- Family and Community Engagement
  - Increase parents' positive response to opportunities for student choice in learning and homework.
- Shared the Plan of Action to support the 25-26 CIP
  - Focus on vocabulary and reading comprehension
  - Provide opportunities to work on math problem solving both orally and written
  - Utilize the 5E model for science
  - Ongoing professional development surrounding planning
  - Provide homework enrichment and extension activities
  - Provide support with developing socioemotional skills to resolve conflicts with peers.

### **BMES Achievements and Initiatives**

- Recognized as one of America's Healthiest Schools
- Earned Virginia Naturally Award
- Earned Student Council of Excellence Award
- Began application process to become a Purple Star School

### **Open Chair**

- Discussed communication recently sent to families about car rider line
- Shared information about departmentalization in the upper grades (4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>)
- Discussed upcoming developments in areas surrounding BMES that will impact enrollment at BMES.

### **Next SAC Meeting**

- 10/14/25
  - Meeting will be held via zoom at 5:45 pm