CMS School Council Minutes  
February 29, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Willie Washington at 5:05 p.m.

In attendance  
Willie Washington, Brandi Wells, Allison Barbour, Maryland Nesmith

Approval of Minutes  
The minutes were read from the December 14, 2011 meeting.

New Business

- How can the school increase revenue?
  
  o Pratt Industries will give money for recycling items like paper and cardboard.
    
    ▪ Contact information: Bonnie Pratt 404-431-7278

  o Businesses can become breakfast sponsors for the CRCT.
    
    ▪ Businesses can obtain a level of sponsorship (bronze, silver, gold, etc.)

    ▪ Barcode agendas for prizes and the goal is for free agenda per child.

    • Agendas cost $2.5K per grade level.

• CRCT Incentives

  o Brandi Wells with Prudential will work on business support.

  o The PTA will solicit volunteers to help with breakfast distribution and cleanup.
• Honors Program

  o To promote a positive academic excellence, cling-on stickers to be displayed in car windows to show that your child is an honor roll student would be a good idea.

• School data.

  o Writing test

    ▪ Additional classes created to accommodate number of students who failed the mock writing tests in November.

    ▪ Administrators taught one class of writing daily to at-risk behavior students beginning December 2011 until January 17, 2012.

    ▪ 6th and 7th grade mock writing scores were higher.

  o Benchmark

    ▪ Semester exam and benchmark data will help determine which students will need additional math and/or reading classes before and after the CRCT. Class schedules will be restructured to accommodate teaching the level 1 students.

  o Summer Intensive Program

    ▪ Because there will be no summer school at the middle school level, students who are at risk for math will be with their math teacher for two periods after the administration of the CRCT until scores return. Scores will indicate if students need to be moved into or out of the block math class and register for the re-take of the CRCT in June.

• Setting up a social networking account for CMS.
At a previous meeting, Danny Gilbert, school council co-chair, stated that he will research the pros and cons for using Twitter and Facebook. Until we receive more information, we will put that idea on hold.

- Agendas for students

  - All students will need an agenda for daily use.
  - We need sponsors to help defray cost of agendas.
  - Hall passes and content specific graphic organizers will be included in next year’s agenda.

**Announcements**

**Next Meeting**
March 21, 2012

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:00 p.m. and was passed unanimously.