

**CHATTAHOOCHEE & NORTHVIEW CLUSTER OF SCHOOLS**  
**Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, September 15, 2005**  
**Medlock Bridge Elementary School**

**Chattahoochee/Northview Cluster Meeting**  
**Attendance**  
**September 15, 2005**

Mitzi Edge, Communications Dept. FCSS	Dawn Medlin, Principal, River Trail MS
Vicki Templett, LSAC River Trail MS	Roytunda Stabler, Principal, Abbotts Hill ES
Doug Brown, Principal, Barnwell ES	Toni Raabe, LSC Chair, Dolvin ES
Trey Martin, Principal, State Bridge Crossing ES	Mary Ann Bello, LSC Co-Chair, Findley Oaks ES
Tim Duncan, Principal, Chattahoochee HS	Mary Kathryn McCullars
Sharon Albright, LSC Chair, Taylor Road MS	Lucye Caplan, LSC Chair, State Bridge Crossing ES
Ann Ferrell, Principal, Autrey Mill MS	Susan Auerbach, LSC Chair, Shakerag ES
Jeri Colton, River Trail MS	Clayton Shepherd, LSC Vice-Chair, Northview LSAC
Marie Shelton, Principal, Dolvin EE	Dotti Lackey, LSC Secretary, Medlock Bridge ES
Steve Curry, Principal, Findley Oaks ES	Teri Hernandez, LSC Chair, Wilson Creek ES
Margaret Pupillo, Principal, MBES	Randee Nagler, Area Superintendent, FCSS
Barbi Grayson, LSC Chair, Autrey Mill MS	Jo Dills, Chair, Northview Cluster
Peter Zervakos, Principal, Northview HS	Kathy Theisen, Chair, Chattahoochee Cluster
Jan Linscott, Principal, Ocee ES	Gail Salva, LSC Secretary, Ocee Elementary
Ed Williamson, Principal, Taylor Road MS	Jimmy Zoll, Principal, Wilson Creek
Margaret Harris Barfell, Northview HS PTSA & North Fulton Overcrowding Committee	

**The Advisory Committee met in regular session on Thursday, September 15, 2005 at 8:00 a.m.**

**The meeting was at Medlock Bridge Elementary School in Room 131. There were 31 members present.**

- 1. Call to Order:** Chairperson, Kathy Theisen, called meeting to order at 8:00 am.
- 2. Introductions & Sign-in**
- 3. Correction & Approval of Minutes from May 3, 2005 Meeting:** Corrections noted and a Motion made and seconded to approve minutes.

4. **Introduction of Guests:**

**Ms. Margaret Harris Barfell:** Acting Chair, North Fulton Overcrowding Committee presented an overview of the committee, recent findings, statistics of overcrowding and impact on future classes through 2010. Introduced Jeri Colton who will assume Committee Chair role effective January 2006. Website: [www.crowdednorthfultonschools@yahoo.groups](http://www.crowdednorthfultonschools@yahoo.groups).

**Ms. Mitzi Edge: FCSS Executive Director of Communications:**

Presented suggestions and ideas on Communications: The Key to Success, and made comments about how best to develop a communications plan with an agenda and purpose.

5. **Reports:** Area Superintendent, Ms. Randee Nagler reported the 10 day counts went very well and while over 800 students from Hurricane Katrina were absorbed into the entire FCCS, only 30 were admitted into the CH/NV Cluster. **Total in system: (10 day count) 79,306.**

**SAT Scores:** Ms. Nagler reported SAT scores for Northview and Chattahoochee had climbed significantly (4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> in state) and referenced a recent newspaper article saluting their success. Congratulations to Mr. Zervakos and Mr. Duncan.

**National Merit Scholars:** Of 63 total National Merit Scholars selected, 28 were from the Northview / Chattahoochee Cluster.

**Strategic Plans:** Due week of 9/21.

**Bus Ridership issues:** Bus Safety week is 10/17-10/21. Awareness program will promote bus ridership to help reduce traffic. Electronic counts will be taken on morning runs only. Possible monetary award for school with highest increase in bus ridership by cluster. Atlanta Braves outfielder Jeff Francoeur ("Frenchie") to make possible appearance at school with the greatest increase overall. All publicized through standard means.

**2006-2007 School Calendar:** School calendar announced and on website. 8/14/06 – 5/25/07.

**GPS vs. QCC: What Changed?** GPS more in-depth. Full implementation of the standards to be phased in over next 4 years, beginning with Language Arts this school year. All teachers have participated in training and in-depth workshops to prepare for the change. Trey Martin, Principal at State Bridge ES spoke on implementation at the Elementary School level. Dr. Ann Ferrell, Principal at Autrey Mill MS spoke on implementation at MS level for Math and Science training and Peter Zervakos, Principal at Northview HS spoke on implementation at HS level. All are planning grade by grade in vertical and horizontal teams, bringing more depth to the process. All schools use various assessment measures and train-the-trainer methods. Math for rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders uses GPS. Some changes noted are depths, combined topics, testing changes

and assessments. HS level teachers are planning as they go, by grade – works best as they know what standards to plan toward.

**Report from Cluster Chair: Jo Dills on FCCS position on Sales Tax for Education Funding bill.** *Estimated loss of \$2,000 per student if bill passed. Loss of revenue unknown, due to fluctuations in sales tax purchases. Property tax is a known quantity and FCCS position is that this bill should be defeated. It was suggested that a communications piece be developed citing pro-con of bill and disseminated to CH/NV Cluster parents.*

**Miscellaneous:** LSC Training on 9/30 from 9-11 at Medlock Bridge Elementary School.

**Board Documents from all School Board meetings** are now available on FCCS website. Moving to paperless meetings.

**FCCS Roundtable:** Board must vote on North Fulton HS spending for funding of new North High School. Review of the plan can be found on the Web site.

**6. Next Meeting**

*November 17 @ Autrey Mill Middle School, Old Alabama Road.*

**7. Meeting Adjourned at 10:30 am.**

*Respectfully submitted:*

*Dotti Lackey  
Secretary, Medlock Bridge Elementary School LSC*