

Cartersville High School
School Governance Team Meeting-**Minutes**
320 East Church Street
Cartersville, GA 30120
November 21, 2024
7:30am

The Cartersville High School Governance Council met in regular session on Thursday, November 21, 2024, at Cartersville High School, 320 East Church Street, Cartersville, GA 30120

School Council members present: Shelley Tierce, Shamela Scott, April Harbin, Tinsley Cline, Jeffrey Spratt, Niki Swilley, Brittany Biddy

Good News:

- CHS had a Pep Rally this week, students had fun, well behaved
 - Canes Vision team did a really good job with production
- ESports team won the first round of state playoffs
- Band received accolades from another system superintendent regarding the way they conducted themselves at a recent competition

Call to Order: at 7:40AM by Shelley Tierce

Pledge of Allegiance: All

Approval of Minutes: August meeting minutes approved – 1st Tinsley Cline, 2nd – Nikki Swilley

Old Business

School Calendar Feedback – Ms. Tierce and selected team attended the calendar meeting and gave committee calendar preferences from high school perspective. A link was created and shared by CO to parents/staff for feedback. No final decisions have been made.

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Out of Country Trips

- Interest meetings and sign-ups are taking place for upcoming educational trip to Iceland. This trip will be Summer 2026.
- A group of student will be going on an educational trip with Coach Hardy to Scotland in Summer 2025.

Graduation Rate and Attendance Rate

Ms. Tierce used a graphic to show 2023-24 graduation rate for CHS. She referenced this graph when explaining how the state comes up with the percentage. Members asked questions and discussed ways to help with reaching groups with lower rates.

Attendance Rate – Group discussed CHS attendance rate and marked that it is trending in the right direction. Ms. Tierce and other community members are working on developing programs with other options for students that are chronically tardy/absent

One member brought to the groups attention that Wellstar-Acworth facility will soon be adding a mental health component.

Meeting Adjourned by Ms. Tierce at 8:25AM

Next meeting – TBD