**School Advisory Council Meeting**

 **Meadowbrook Elementary**

**9-27-18**

1. Mr. Duque and MS. Selina introduced themselves as SAC Co-Chairs.
2. Next meeting is Thursday Oct 25, 2018 at 2:15pm
3. The School Advisory Committee must have at least half of the members agree to the by-laws. Ms. Duque reviewed the specific by-laws for the school year. The by-laws were approved. Ms. Selina explained how the committee is composed of various members: parents, teachers, business partners, and other representatives.
4. Ms. Gutierrez is the representative for Title 1. She explained the 3 forms the parents have turned in: Parent Compact, SIP Plan, Parent Involvement Plan. The compact form explains what the responsibilities are for the students, teachers, and parents. The SIP plan explains what the school is doing to improve student data. The Parent Involvement Plan explains how the parents can be involved in their child’s education. Many family nights are being planned for this school year. If parents need more information regarding the documents, they can contact Ms.Gutierrez. Parents can also give feedback to the school.
5. Ms. Francovitz, Guidance Counselor, spoke to everyone about giving the students independence. Parents need to bring their children to school every single day. There is a strong correlation between attendance and student achievement. If the students have poor attendance, the students have a strong chance of dropping out of school in high school. In addition, every staff member is committed to **social emotional learning**. The school focus this year is SEL learning. We have to give the parents the tools to help their kids 1 – self-awareness 2: social awareness 3: self-management 4: decision- making 5: relationship building. Broward County Schools are making sure the needs of the WHOLE child are met, not just the academic needs.
6. Deputy Hibbert spoke about his mentor group. He has a group with other male teachers at the school every Thursday morning at 7:30am. It focuses on goal-setting and taking responsibility. The students are in 4th and 5th grade.

 VII Principal Report – Principal Whaley was not able to attend the meeting today.