

Sawgrass Springs Middle School
SAC Minutes – December 5th , 2018.

Attendance:

List members and attendees.

Call to Order:

A meeting of the Sawgrass Springs Middle School Advisory Council was held in the Media Center on December 5, 2018. Chair Lisa Gray called the meeting to order at 8:03 am. Dariel Haggerty will record minutes for this meeting.

Minutes:

Fran motioned to approve the minutes of November 7, 2018, with the following corrections, the spelling of the PTA President, Jeni Marsillo. Motion was seconded by Jeni and passed.

Business:

1. Mr. Cecil Principal's report:

Mid-terms-BSA's in January- our check for mid-year

FSA's are in May, 3-6 paper based, 7-10 computer based except 8th grade science, paper-based

Looking into schedule options that we have spoken about for the past couple of months

Looked at options, staff voted, voted for AB 4x4 block, need to approve the ballot

Discussion? Curious about students sitting for a 90 minute class, there are some concerns, some embracing a change and others that do not know how they feel but will adapt. Students were asked and they were half and half about the change. Also a concern about ID's if students were to have AB backpacks

Mr. Cecil read the pros and cons of what the staff had come up with and depending on the vote, we will take into consideration all concerns

No matter how the vote, it is felt that there are changes that need to be made. The staff will meet and discuss those changes.

Dori made a motion to approve the ballot and Donna seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The staff will vote on the ballot on Dec. 7

1-1-6th grade pilot, starting in January-each 6th grader will get a laptop to take home

No different expectations for teachers and/or students and parents

January will be a parent night to explain and go over concerns.

2. Fran McMahon-SAC

We had a safety check for our after care, everything was a "yes" and we were exemplary in files, campus monitor, drills and clipboard

We are announcing that we are going to explore a school-based before and after care.

Nothing wrong with our current before and after care

We will explore the plus and minuses but there are 3 pros. 1-are own teachers work it, 2-our school benefits and 3-more control academically.

Would like to inform you that we received the Imagine Learning Math program and it is being used
Every teacher has given a diagnostic, the students love making their own avatars. This program “fills in the gaps”

Sent a parent letter and will send a parent link to inform parents

3. PTA-Jenny Marcela

Gator walk- Friday, Dec. 7, will use wristbands to identify students that have paid PTA meeting tonight at 6:30

SAF-proposed calendar 1-Wed. start (parents like) 2- Monday start-(teachers like), going to be voting on it- either an August 12 or 14th start. June 3rd- end.

ts required on line for activities, they need to be uploaded, reviewed

We have made the list for 2nd quarter which means we did not have any problems.

4. BTU- Sharon Murray

At a stand still for negotiations for teacher contract

Were told that there is no money for teachers, everything is going to safety and security

5. Ms. Gausmann-Discipline

Nothing new

6. Student Government-Lauren Rodriguez

There are plans for students to participate in security for school-Gator Patrol, students will have special ID's, will be out in the halls for 10-20 minutes (students requirements to participate are 3.2 GPA with 6 adult recommendations). They are working with Mr. Phillips and will write names on paper and give to Mr. Phillips

Saturday is “Wacky Olympics”, they will go to high schools and compete in different events.

7. Robin Reccasina-Nature Center

Holiday shop for SSMS students coming up

8. Title I- Mr. D

Closing in on the end of the quarter-need to upload all minutes- our paper trail is very important

- We need to continuously review the Parent Involvement effort to get more parents to participate in the children' education. All SSMS events had a Title I item in the agenda and Student Success Night was the main event for Parents' night where workshops were provided for parents to learn the tools available to track their students' progress in school and at home. Attending parents stated that the SSMS new web site and IPTV should be key to drive some key parent involvement goals for next year.

Mr. D insisted on the need to have real discussions on school documents so that we can show real parent involvement. All stakeholders should have a voice on key issues that can affect the school.

○ For 2019-2020, parents recommended that the same line of expenses should be used since the Student Success Night is our main event for parent involvement and usually the most expensive. Therefore Title I allocated for this event should remain the same. Other parent involvement events will be paid for from school budget, PTA or by outside sponsors according to PTA and administration. It was recommended that all events involving parents shall have a Title I specific topic included in their agenda to drive key Title I goals as per school compact and parent involvement plan.

No New Business

Next Meeting Date & Time:

The next meeting will be held on February, 2019 in the Media Center.

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion: Dori motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:50am . Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Dariel Haggerty,

Secretary of SAC

Approval Date: