

# **Apollo Middle School**

*"Believe In Magic"*

## **School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting 2015-2016**

**Thursday September 24, 2015**

**6:00P.M. Media Center**

**Ms. Shawn Aycok, Principal**

**Mr. Rodriquiz Alexander, SAC Chair (2014-2015)**

### **AGENDA**

#### **1. Welcome**

**Mr. Alexander**

- Mr. Alexander has a powerpoint that outlines:

Slide 1

- Student Achievements
- School Improvement

Slide 2

- Opportunities for improvement:
- School safety, Training, Student Support Services, Instructional Materials, Staffing, Discipline strategies, Student Health & Fitness, Budget, Indoor Environmental Air Quality

Slide 3

- Scholl Advisory Composition
  - o % of District employee members, % of non-employee members
  - o (KEY) SAC membership composition must reflect ethnic diversity of the school.

Slide 4

- SAC Positions
  - o Principal – Ms. Aycok
  - o Teachers (some were present and introduced themselves) Floor opened for Ms. Davis and Mr. Zimmermann (2<sup>nd</sup>) the point that Teachers want the meetings to be held earlier in the day, in contrast to having the meetings at 6pm.

Slide 3-4

Parent Volunteer Reps:

Martha Cohen - Gifted

Martha Cohen – ESOL

- ESE – question was raised of ESE Parent volunteer could also be the ESOL rep.
- Business Rep.

Slide 4

SAC Bylaws

Slide 5

Building Agendas, Selecting Issues (Opps) to address.

Slide 6

Roles and Responsibility of SAC

- Building the Agenda
- Selecting problems to address

## 2. Elections of SAC Members

### ❖ Review of Last Year by 2014-2015 Chair

Mr. Alexander explained the protocol of having “Co=Chairs” as opposed to a President/ Chair and Vice President or Co- Chair. The need of a secretary was announced. The motion for Mr. Alexander and Mr. Symonette to serve as Co-Chairs was made by Mr. Zimmerman. Ms. A. Pavon seconded the motion. The Secretary position was opened for a vote. Ms. Brown made a motion to appoint Ms. Rivera-Quiles, as the secretary. Ms. W-B seconded the motion and Mr. Alexander accepted the motion.

### ❖ Introduction of candidates for membership

Names of candidates for 2015-2016 membership: Yvonne Urena, Kristalyn Vergara, Julia Collins, Lauren Meeks-Rigalos, Dino Zaren, Awilda Pavon, Mike Zein, Suganya Sivalingam, Leo Skrzypek, Amy Brown, Laura Marsh (spoken for by Ms. Suganya) Martha Cohen, Hootmatie Isaac. Mr. Zimmerman made a motion to accept the new members as they were called. Ms. WB seconded the motion.

### ❖ Going Forward: Curricular, Membership Goals of 2015-2016 SAC

## 3. Introduction of NEW SAC Members

**Mr. Alexander**

### ❖ Faculty-

All teachers in attendance announced names and subject area: P. Zimmermann – Stem, S. Brown – ELA, M. Dean – Science, D. Reese – SS, B. Davis – SS, A. W-B – ELA. Mr. Alexander moved to have all the teachers accepted as members. Mr. Zimmermann made a motion and Ms. W-B seconded the motion to accepted

\*\* A motion was made to move the Principal’s report to the next point of discussion on the agenda: Test scores EOCs for Bio, Civics, Algebra are out, but FSA scores are not validated. Item specs are being created with the current scores. Other scores are still not ready. Ms. Aycock projects that the school grade will be below average because Apollo’s current grade is based on Learning Gains; going forward Learning Gains will not be used in the calculations.

- ❖ Parents
- ❖ Students
- ❖ Community/ Business representatives

## 4. Election of SAC Officers/ Election of SAF Officers

**Mr. Alexander**

### ❖ SAF Chairperson

Ms. Aycock announced that Mr. Zein will be our SAF Chair for 2015-2016.

## 5. Establish Norms/ Ground Rules/ SAC Meeting Dates

**(New) Chairperson**

### ❖ SAC By Laws

Mr. Alexander discussed meeting times going forward and a vote needed to take place on future dates. The October 1<sup>st</sup> meeting date MUST be changed in order to incorporate Title I information and updates regarding the PIP. The Title I facilitator announced that the Title I meeting date will take place on October 7<sup>th</sup>, and thus, moving the date from 10/1 to 10/8 would be best. Changing the time and dates of future meeting times was tabled until the next meeting; K. Vergara made a motion to do so, several members seconded the motion.

## 6. School Improvement Process

### Parent Involvement Policy, Volunteers

**Title I Coordinator**

Ms. W-B opened the discussion for the SIP Plan. The goals, purpose and intention of the SIP plan were explained. The Parent Involvement Policy and School-Parent Compact can be found online. All parent volunteers need to sign up. Hours shared within district with one or more schools are recognized and

rewarded by the school. Ms. Pavon discussed the Parent2Parent Connection initiative that she believes should provide regular meeting times for guidance and support for parents who are not familiar with the protocols, communications and services offered by the school and district.

**7. Principal Reports** (Moved to item 3)

**Ms. Aycock**

**8. Unfinished Business/ Upcoming Events and Plan**

**Chair or Vice Chair**

The first Title I family night is in its planning stages, but should be October 15, 2015 along with the Scholastic Book Fair and Activity Expo.

**9. New Business/ Open agenda, questions concerns comments**

**Chair or Vice Chair**

Mr. Alexander discussed plans for generating more teacher (faculty and staff) participation. Also, he wants to implement new initiatives on specific subjects of interest.

**10. Adjourn**

**Chair or Vice Chair**

Mr. Alexander moved to adjourn the meeting; several members seconded that motion.

**The committee will vote on changing the Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> meeting date to Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> to discuss and update the SIP, SAF and PTSA Meetings will follow.**

***Future SAC Meeting Dates: Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>, April 7<sup>th</sup>, May 5<sup>th</sup>.***