School: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Montessori Academy (MLK)

Meeting: SAC Meeting

Date: 1/15/19

1. Introduction – Mr. Darryl Wilson (SAC Chair) warmly welcomed faculty members, parents old and new to the School Advisory Council (SAC) meeting. He asked if there were any community or business representatives in attendance. Ms. Lofy was present from the African American Library.

Members present included: Mr. Lindsey, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Mesenger, & Ms. Moody

Note: The meeting was started at 5:39pm by Mr. Wilson.

Quorum was Established. Also, the November SAC minutes were approved.

1. Principal’s Report – Ms. Mitshuca Moreau (Principal) started off her report by informing the committee of how well students did on their second iReady diagnostic test. She stated, “All grades did well on the reading and math diagnostic exam.” The third iReady diagnostic will be conducted in April.

Ms. Moreau also stated that grades 3-5 will be taking the Cadre Interim Assessment (CIA) this school year instead of the BSA. Both exams determine how well students will do on their FSA test at the end of the school year.

However, CIA’s are better tailored to meet the needs of our students. As a result, MLK is looking forward to seeing how well students will do in comparison to the rest of our cadre schools. MLK is also making up T-Shirts to support our school’s testing efforts.

Ms. Moreau also stated parent support is needed for upcoming field trips. Fifth grade has an upcoming field trip to Billy Swamp Safari in the Everglades on Feb. 26th to see Florida swamp animals in their natural habitat. This event goes well with the standards fifth grade students are learning to prepare for FSA testing. The cost of the field trip is forty dollars. Ms. Mesenger (Science Coach) is looking into split cost. The PTA may also conduct a fundraiser to cut cost for students as well.

On January 15th, MLK’s fourth and fifth grade students got to experience JA BIZ TOWN in their classrooms. Volunteers from JA BIZ TOWN came out and taught MLK’s students about financial literacy. MLK’s students learned a lot about saving money and preparing for their future.

Ms. Moreau also stated that departmentalizing fifth grade is showing lots of promise towards student achievement. Fifth grade teachers and students are adjusting very well to science, reading, and math being departmentalized. Already the data is showing students are progressing well toward student achievement.

Ms. Moreau also stated she’s looking forward to parents coming out in partaking in two upcoming events. Clay Tile Night on Thurs., Jan. 17th and the MLK parade on Mon., Jan. 21st. Both events required parent participation. Parents are encouraged to volunteer for both events.

1. Title I Report --- Mr. Lindsey (Title I Liaison) informed parents that there’s a Title I Parent Training Meeting being held at Banyan Elementary on January 17th at 7:00pm. The meeting will go over cultivating positive behavioral skills and responses in students. He encouraged everyone to attend this great event.
2. A+ Voting - Mr. Wilson (SAC Chair) went over the rules for A+ Voting for the distributions of the funds. He then discussed the purpose of voting for the A+ funds and stated that staff will need to put a check mark next to the ballot they select. Also, he went over the below proposals that were voted on and accepted at November’s SAC meeting. Afterwards Mr. Wilson passed out ballots, each SAC voting member received a ballot and casted their votes for the accepted proposals. Mr. Wilson then had each person put their ballot in a box.
3. The voting ballot selections are as follow:

**1st Proposal:** 100% of funds will be allocated to teachers and staff employed ¾ of the 2017-2018 school year. Teacher voting percentage – 57%

**2nd Proposal:** Teachers and staff employed for the 2018-2019 school year will receive $75 each, and remainder of the funds will be distributed equally to teachers and staff employed ¾ of the 2017-2018 school year. Teacher voting percentage - 23%

**3rd Proposal:** None of the above. Teacher voting percentage - 20%

1. Ms. Mesenger (Science Coach) made a motion to order 399 headphones at eight dollars apiece to the SAC Committee. The motion was accepted and carried by the SAC committee. Headphones to be purchase will cost $3,192 dollars. MLK’s students will use the headphones specifically for testing throughout the school year.
2. SAF Report – Ms. Mann (SAF Rep) delivered her report on how Broward County School’s is Moving Forward on the Right Path. She briefly went over the following topics:

* Safety APP
* Career Readiness
* District Advisory Council Update
* BCPS 5 Year Strategic Plan
* Single Point Entry

1. Old Business & Upcoming Events

* Honor Assembly Feb. 7th (K-2) Feb. 8th (3-5)
* CIA Testing (Jan. 29th thru. Feb. 24h) Grades 3-5 Only
* MLK Parade (Jan. 21st)
* Black History Program (Feb. 28th)
* 5th Grade Safari Field Trip (Feb. 26th)
* 100 Black Men Distributed Bicycles
* Show with a Cop ($150.00 gift certificate was given by Lauderhill police)
* Secret Santa (Lauderhill police gave certificates and gifts to MLK’s students)

Mr. Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:42pm. Ms. Moody (Committee Member) seconded it.