Seminole Middle School

School Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

December 5, 2018

7:15 am

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review November’s Minutes
* Ms. Rubio – 1st to make a motion to approve SAC meeting minutes
* Ms. Shipley – 2nd to make a motion to approve SAC meeting minutes
1. Smart Bond Project Presentation
* The purpose of this presentation is to share with parents how Seminole Middle School plans to use Smart Bond funds (i.e., renovation of the media center).
* All information shared during this presentation will be reported at the next SAC meeting on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 7:15am.
1. School Improvement Plan (SIP) – Monitoring
* Parents are allowed to provide input for the school improvement plan.
* Seminole Middle School is continuing to work towards our goal of increasing student achievement.
1. Title I
* The Title I annual meeting will be held at Signature Grand on Saturday, February 2, 2019 from 7:30am – 3:00pm (3 parents are needed to attend)
* This is a paid event
* Dr. Manuel Scott will be the guest speaker at the event
* The topic of the Title I meeting is: “Cultivating a Rich Future”
1. Accreditation – will take place in a few years
2. School Safety Procedures/Protocol
* Single point of entry is up and running
* The project manager is establishing protocols for the buzzer system.
* Students are well aware of the mandatory requirement to wear their ID badges at all times.
* Cameras are up and running 24/7; a computer system is installed in Mrs. Marlow’s office to control all cameras around the school.
1. Reimagining Middle Grades
* Seminole Middle School includes high-interest courses in our schedule.
1. PBL (Project Based Learning) – Seminole is a PBL school
2. SEL (Social Emotional Learning) – SEL initiatives are also in place as well
3. Principal’s Report
* Progress monitoring assessments are administered to students on a monthly basis in core subject areas (Science, Math, Social Studies, and English Language Arts).
* Principal data chats are taking place monthly with teachers; Teachers must speak to how their students are performing on monthly progress monitoring assessments. Teachers also have a thorough understanding of their students’ areas of strength and weakness.
* Mr. Saleh (8th grade Algebra 1/Geometry Honors teacher) is out sick; Mrs. Deese and Ms. Palma will be co-teaching his classes pending his return after winter break
* Parents expressed concerns regarding the Algebra 1 and Geometry Honors midterm exams; Students will receive a study guide to prepare for the exams.
* Personnel changes – Mr. Matranga (Media Specialist) and Mr. Corace (8th grade World Geography teacher) are leaving; a new media specialist and teacher will be hired to fill their positions
1. Next SAC/SAF Meeting – Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 7:15am
2. SAC Meeting adjourned @ 8:05am by Ms. Rappaport