

SAC Minutes – December 18, 2018

Meeting called to order at 12:50 P.M. by Chair, Mike Levinson

Members Present: Jimmy Arrojo, Toby Bass, Brenda Fischer, Camrudeen Kahn, Robyn Leach, Michael Levinson, Melina Markos, Fernanda Müller, Geysa Ortiz, Alexandra Price, Bao Truong, Gila Tuchman, Tammy Wehrell, Kristine White

I. November Minutes

Motion to accept November 2018 minutes made by Ms. Fischer, and seconded by Ms. Müller; all were in favor; motion passed

II. Budget Report – Mike Levinson

Current Balance - \$39,915.55

Available after \$1,000.00 contingency reserve - \$38, 915.55

III. Principal's Report

- A. There is a safety and security meeting tonight for Indian Ridge Middle School and will be attended by Mr. Arrojo, Officer Assan, Davie Police and the Western High SWAT Club. Among topics to be discussed—the rise of underage use of e-cigarettes and the hazards associated with that.
- B. We are still in the process of voting for a School Enhancement plan of using the \$100,000.00. So far only 10% of staff and parents have voted for a plan. Laptops for voting will be put out tonight! The deadline is this Friday.
- C. Student, Henry Le, was just accepted to a dual program with the University of Pennsylvania Science and Business Department. Congratulations Henry, only 10 students per year are accepted into this program!
- D. We are one of 5 schools in the county that will be receiving \$5,000.00 to start the Rachel's Challenge program. Rachel's Challenge is a non-profit organization centering around the first student killed at the Columbine high school shooting, who left a legacy of performing acts of kindness at her school. We will have two presentations, one during the school day and another at night for parents and community. There was an anonymous donor from Stoneman Douglas who funded this program and we are proud to have been chosen.
- E. We will have Freshman Parent night on January 16th. There will be a presentation and then break-out groups for parents. Mr. Gordon's PASL program will be included.
- F. We have two full time police officers on staff now.

IV. Funding Requests passed by the SAC Budget Committee

- A. Ms. Murphy-Bozkurt request funds in the amount of \$1,125.00 to help offset the expenses for the WHS Rocketry ASTRO Challenge which total \$2,377.00. Preparation and teaching affects 28 class and club members as well as future students. Ms. Müller motioned to approve funding in the amount of \$1,125.00, and Ms. Ortiz seconded the motion. All were in favor and motion passed.
- B. Cynthia Fritz requests funds in the amount of \$3,946.88 in order to purchase the Write Score program for our 881 10th grade students. This program, funded last year also, provides students and teachers with itemized essay scoring results within two weeks of completing the FSA practice essay which will be given on February 11th this year. Ms. Fischer motioned to fund the program \$3,946.88 and Bao Truong seconded the motion. The motion passed after a vote of ten (10) in favor and one (1) against the funding.
- C. Ms. Brenda Fischer requested funds in the amount of \$2,000.00 to purchase an Epson printer for her Photography class. This necessity will impact 170 current students and all future Photography classes. Ms. Müller motioned to fund the request for \$2,000.00 and Ms. Ortiz seconded the motion. Nine (9) voted for the funding, one (1) voted against; motion passed.

V. New Business

The committee previewed the draft of an official security policy being written by the District entitled, "Safer Spaces," and we can look forward to this becoming official school policy in the future

IX. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Fischer motioned to adjourn at 4:04, seconded by Ms. Müller. All were in favor and meeting adjourned at 1:55 P.M.