

**CROSS CREEK SCHOOL
SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 6, 2019**

The SAC meeting of March 6, 2019 was held in the front office conference room. In attendance were the following:

Peg Lesch, SAC Co-Chair
Colleen Stearn, Principal
Katrina Anderson, SAC Co-Chair
John Peterson, BTU Steward
Benitez, Diana, Literacy Coach
Diaz, Jaedon, Middle School Student
Delcobre Markiet, Middle School Student
Noemi Gonzalez, Parent
Deputy Willard Miller, Community Rep.
Natalia Wagner, SAC Secretary

I. WELCOME

Ms. Lesch called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M. Those in attendance were welcomed and packets were distributed.

II. REVIEW MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 7, 2019 MEETING

The minutes were reviewed by all in attendance. Ms. Benitez made a motion to accept the minutes as typed and was seconded by Ms. Anderson.

III. SIP INITIATIVES

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES:

Ms. Benitez explained that PLC's are mainly focusing in the areas where students did poorly in last year. She explained that she finalized the Instructional Focus Calendar and meets weekly with other staff members to go over continuous progress.

LITERACY INITIATIVES:

Ms. Benitez stated that FSA test dates are rapidly approaching. Therefore, she is micro-focusing on the test areas where students need improvement in. She has done recent data to look at the typical growth for each student. She explained that stretch growth shows that most of our students are showing improvements from Diagnostic 1 to Diagnostic 2.

IV. REVIEW SAC BY-LAWS

Ms. Lesch informed that she and Ms. Judd attended a meeting regarding SAC and it was recommended to do a review of the members of our team. It was also recommended to have more parents as a part of our SAC meetings.

Ms. Lesch also went over the By-Laws. She stated that the goal is to try to get more parents involved and have an ESOL parent and an i-Zone Representative. The majority, or more than half of our members should not be Broward Schools employees.

V. ESSA

Ms. Lesch also went over the ESSA initiative that stands for "Every Student Succeeds Act". It is just like the past "No Child Left Behind" and was approved on 9/26/2018. She went over a slide show portraying more information.

VI. SURVEY OF SIP PROCESS

Ms. Lesch also went over a long survey and questions that every school's SAC committee had to answer. One of the questions was whether the SAC Chair receives a stipend for running the meetings and she answered yes.

She reviewed some of the questions regarding the School Improvement Plan which included questions such as "what can be improved?", points to consider and a new link that will be available on our school's website for anyone to read the SIP plan.

VII. SELECT SAC NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Three people had to be selected for the SAC nominating committee. Ms. Lesch included herself, Ms. Stearn and Jaedon Diaz as those three people. Everyone in attendance was in favor and the motion carried.

Ms. Lesch nominated Noemi Gonzalez to be the i-Zone parent representative for our meetings. All in attendance were in favor and the motion carried.

VIII. PRINCIPAL UPDATES

Ms. Stearn started off by saying that there was good news regarding the FTE week attendance window. Everyone with the exception of one or two students was present and that affects our schools' funding positively.

She stated that we had a great game against Pine Ridge, although we lost by one point she was very impressed with our students' sportsmanship and how well everyone behaved.

She was also very happy with the outcome of our 1-year commemorative day for the tragedy that affected Douglas last year. She read many of the hearts shaped messages written and displayed in the cafeteria. She stated that they were all heartfelt and sincere and she was very honored and impressed. She was also very pleased with the second quarter award ceremony because many students received honor roll, character awards and perfect attendance.

She also spoke about the celebration of literacy day and how the elementary schools' students came by the front office with green eggs and ham they made for staff members and it was creative and delicious.

VIII. PRINCIPAL UPDATES

Ms. Stearn informed that the district purchased a program called 360 for all schools. It provides an emotional learning webinar with lessons including social and emotional learning, how to handle altercations, peer pressure, student – teacher conflicts and many more lessons categorized by grade levels. We are also coming up on the Smart Bond discretionary \$100,000 that was given to our school as part of an initiative to use it in areas that best fits the needs of our school and she will be going over those needs soon.

Finally, she concluded her updates stating that a link for parents, students and staff to take a survey would be available on our website. She also reminded the board that eligibility for ESY hiring will begin soon and will be based on how many students will attend for ESY.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

There is no new business.

Mr. Peterson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Jaedon Diaz.

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The SAF meeting March 6, 2019 was not held.