**Sawgrass Elementary School**

**Media Center**  December 12, 2018

School Advisory Council Agenda Minutes

1. **Call to Order**
   1. Meeting called to order at 5:04pm.
2. **Welcome/Attendance**
   1. Ms. Finkel welcomed all member and guest in attendance, see sign in sheet for verification.
3. **Approval of SAC minutes**
   1. Motion to approve minutes from the last meeting Tammy Plamondon and seconded by Brian Braud; Unanimous. Minutes approved.
4. **Approval of Agenda**
   1. Motion to approve agenda as written by Pamela Medoff and seconded by Tammy Plamondon; Unanimous. Minutes approved.
5. **Old Business**
   1. Ms. Finkel gives an update that the Florida School Recognition Award Money (A+ Money) of each instructional staff member will get a $200 bonus, then the remaining balance will be evenly split between all school staff. Staff that were not here the 196 days will be prorated based on the amount of days at Sawgrass. Ms. Finkel and Mrs. Nunez will submit necessary paperwork to OSPA Central before February 1st.
6. **New Business**
   1. Ms. Finkel and Mrs. Nunez attended a quarterly meeting about the School Improvement Plan (SIP). The district made a new template and will be providing support to all schools to build the schoolwide behavior plan. Extended Learning Opportunity (ELO) camp will be starting. This camp will give students in the lowest 30 percentile who need additional help.
   2. Mr. Decotis reiterated that ELO camp will be offered in January. It will be a 10-week camp, alternating between the subjects of math and reading each week. There will also be other initiatives to make sure the students are prepared to do well on the FSA, especially the students who struggle the most. One of the priority areas of focus are the students in the lowest 25th percentile in math. Achieving learning gains in this area is critical to making the school learning goals for this school year. A monthly interim math assessment was given to students in grades 3-5, last month a combined average of students passing that test was 71% of the students. Based on this test, it’s a good indicator that we are heading in the right direction and on the way to hitting our school improvement goals.
   3. Mayor Commission Meeting-Mrs. Polich was nominated as the teacher of the month for the school.
   4. ELOP Camp Review- ELOP is also called “Panther Clubs.” A total of 189 students attended the fall session. The next session will start January 14th. A video that showcased all the activities in the Panther Clubs was shown to all the committee members and guests. Video can be seen on the school’s website. Video created by Ms. Finkel.
7. **Principal Report**:
   1. At the November meeting, a packet was distributed to all attendees regarding the provider change. This process of exploring other aftercare providers entails forming a team of volunteers that represents the demographics of our school to visit three programs. Based on the response of the council tonight will prompt the initiation of the principal to explore other aftercare providers.
      1. Motion to open the floor to discuss to explore other aftercare providers by Tammy Plamondon and seconded by Bonnie Vangalis.
         1. Bonnie Vangalis states that it’s due diligence to look at other options in aftercare providers. Tammy Plamondon, Shari Capraro and Angelica Lynn indicate they are also interested in exploring other options for aftercare providers. Candace Blackbird agrees that it would be beneficial just to look at other school board operated programs. Mrs. Medoff expresses that she is happy with JCC, but wants to know whether a private provider versus a school board operated program will benefit the school better. Bonnie feels we should explore a school board operated program. Samantha Davis states that every party involved should want to look at all options just to see what is best for the students. Connie Fennerick expresses interest in seeking information on other school board operated aftercare programs. Bryan Braud adds that it’s good for business to always see what other companies are doing. It is important to follow the timeline from the packet. Voting does not take place until March or April if that is the avenue taken.
      2. If people would like to discuss any matter pertaining to the current aftercare provider, please contact Mrs. Finkel and Ms. Nunez to put that item on the agenda.
      3. Mrs. Tillman stated that there is a survey provided to the children at JCC. Mr. Decotis will review those surveys when they are completed to hear the students’ input.

***The majority of the SAC members are interested in the principal, Mr. Decotis investigating SBO programs.***

* 1. **S.M.A.R.T. Fund –** School Choice money is $100,000 to every school for capital upgrades. SAC committee ideas on where to spend the money:

Removal of sand on the playground

Playground equipment upgrade

Playground Rubber installed

Reconfiguration of playground if necessary

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* + - * 1. There has to be a variation of $15,000. The whole $100,000 cannot be spent on the playground. The remaining funds could possibly be used for the following:

Bathrooms (faucets) upgrade- Public area bathrooms

Technology

Upgrade furniture in media center or main office

* + - * 1. Mr. Decotis will generate quotes on suggested items and will have present findings to the committee in the January meeting.
  1. **After Care Program Updates**

Ms. Tillman reports that JCC is having folklore show presentations based on students’ feedback. “Bottle Lions” an African folklore and drums was recently showcased to the students. The African folklore teaches lessons on kindness and respect. Students loved it and requested for him to come back. In January, JCC will be hosting a sneak-a-peek tentatively on January 10th. JCC has vacation days childcare services available to students at the Plantation JCC location on six vacation days.

**Announcements**

* 1. Motion to change the January 9th meeting to January 16th. Candace Blackbird motioned and seconded by Bonnie Vangalis; unanimous.

1. **Open Discussions**
   1. No Open Discussions
2. **Adjournments**
   1. Meeting adjourned at 5:51 pm