

Sawgrass Springs Middle School
SAC Minutes – October 3rd , 2018.

Attendance:

List members and attendees.

Call to Order:

A meeting of the Sawgrass Springs Middle School Advisory Council was held in the Media Center on October 3rd, 2018. Chair Lisa Gray called the meeting to order at 8:04 am. Dariel Haggerty will record minutes for this meeting.

Minutes:

Luisa motions to approve the minutes of September 5th, 2018, with the following corrections, none. Motion was seconded by Robin and passed.

Ms. Gray submitted a draft of the 2017-2018 SIP document for review with inputs from various participants from the last meeting. Copies were provided to the attendees and Ms. Gray opened the floor for discussions. Again, further clarifications were added upon request from teacher, parents and community leaders present at the meeting. Some of the students present at the meeting did ask a few questions about the purpose of the SIP and how it can impact student performance in school.

Business:

1. Mr. Cecil Principal's report:

Introductions were made by everyone at the meeting

Thank you for coming

SAC is input, votes for money, accountability etc.

School is off to a good start and we are hitting a stride

Debate

Soccer-girls division champs, boys just lost first division game

Had student government elections

Still working on the kinks of possibly becoming a laptop pilot for 6th graders only (starting in the 2nd semester) Aware of needs:

Laptop cases and power chords for 400 students

How and where to get power so that chords are not everywhere

Ability to access internet at home

Doing a great deal of research on getting it all rolled out

Possible no backpack school

Exploring options of different schedules-looking into options. Has to be put to a vote

Question-single point of entry completed? Is the buzzer part of the plan?

Single point of entry to start building in December 2018

2. Fran McMahon-SAC

By-laws-link between community and school, monitor school improvement plan and the alignment of curriculum and materials

Need to reflect demographically and need more community than paid school board members

Attendance is extremely important

Co-chairs, election done in August and 2 year terms-vote on those changes to by-laws. Robin made the motion and Jenny seconded it. All were in favor. It was approved.

Need ESOL, SAF and community reps.

3. Departments:

a. Waters- Language Arts Department

58% to 63%, learning gains, will use FSA

Bottom 25%-learning gains- 48%-53%

Request \$2000.00 to purchase USATestprep. Fran made the motion, Dori seconded it, a vote was taken, and all were in favor.

McMahon-Math Department

68% to 70% learning gains

Lower 20%-54% to 59%

Use canvas, CFA's, USATestprep

Requested \$2000.00 to purchase USATestprep. Dori made the motion, Luisa seconded it, a vote was taken, all in favor.

Pierre-Reading Department

Level 1 and 2 are in reading

FAIR is taken, weaknesses are identified, meet 1 on 1, grouping, CFA, use Collections, INSIDE, Newsela, commonlit.org, Khan academy, vocabulary.com, playpostit.com (interactive), project based novels, 8th grade will use "A long walk to water", learning stations

Work cooperatively with language arts

O'Brien-Math Coach

Update on Math night-over 100 parents, had good comments about it

Mathnasium gave away tutoring in a raffle to one student

Many people to thank for organizing and helping out

4. PTA-Jenny Marcela

Late start- just had elections

First real meeting tonight

Oct. 19th-welcome breakfast for teachers, Oct. 26th-Halloween Dance, Oct. 18th-Gator Growl

Anyone welcome-membership drive to come.

5. Sharon Murray-BTU

First stages of contract negotiations

Passed extra 10 days for Stoneman employees and parents that work for the school board

Tax passed-believe it will be a one time bonus for teachers not a raise.

6. Mr. Desruiseaux-Title I

Mr. Cecil announced that the school had received an increase in Title I allocation of about \$27,000.00. This is above and beyond the budget already approved for the school year. We are waiting for clarification on the guidelines on how this increase can be spent.

Parent involvement is critical for Title I and we need to execute the Parent Involvement plan to ensure that our students' achievements can be positively impacted by the additional involvement. Any parent activity needs to be documented through agendas, sign-in sheets, flyers, etc. Title I Documentation needs to be updated every quarter and uploaded into the e-binder to show compliance to Title I requirements.

Mr. D. reminded the attendance about the need to seek parent volunteers for the District Title Parents Workshop.

Mr. D provided a draft of the 2018-2019 Title I SIP addendum for review. It was verified that SAC inputs related to the SIP Title I addendum discussed during the previous SAC meeting were added. A participant made a motion to accept the SIP Title I Addendum. This motion was accepted, and the document was approved.

It was suggested that the Student Success Night be promoted in all school activities where parents are invited including Book Fair, Literary Event, Straight A breakfast, Home games, etc

7. Ms. Gausmann-Discipline

Nothing new

8. Student Government-Lauren Rodriguez

More people involved this year

Humane society-collecting items, items have specific points involved. Assigned certain items to each individual school

Meeting Thursday

Starting Harvest Drive

9. Robin Reccasina-Nature Center

Donations for Gala

Pottery class, walking field trips

Gala-Moonlight Magic- Marriott Heron Bay-Nov. 10

13 or older classes (adult) also available

No New Business

Next Meeting Date & Time:

The next meeting will be held on November 7, 2018 in the Media Center.

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion: Luisa motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:52am. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Dariel Haggerty,

Secretary of SAC

Approval Date: