

Attendance/Composition:

- Allison, Travis – SAF Designee
- Alvarez, Caridad – SAC Co-Secretary
- Arriola, Sheryl - Teacher
- Bianchi, Matthew – Principal
- Caracuel, Leslie - Parent
- Cook, Amy - Parent
- DeLaRosa, Ana – ESOL Rep.
- Farello, Darren – Community Rep. (Alexandra rep. instead)
- Goldberg, Michael – Community Rep
- Hylton, Carol – ESE Rep.
- James, Chanda – Gifted/Parent Rep.
- LaRosa, Jon – SAC Chair
- McKenna, Barbara – Parent
- Montalto, Jennifer - Parent
- Niebla, Miriam – SAC Co-Secretary
- Rioux, Susan – Teacher
- Schwartzberg, Cori - Parent
- Stratos, Jennifer – BTU Steward
- Swill, Lisa - Parent
- Tatoute, Alice – Teacher/Parent
- Tephford-Rush, Stefanie – IZ Rep.
- Wilson, Christine - Guidance
- Wolfe, Jeff – SAF Co-Designee

Guest:

- Schwartz, Shari – 7th grade assistant principal

SAC Agenda for Friday March 17, 2017

- Call to Order
- Approval of February 2017 minutes
- SIP Update - Survey
- 2017-2018 Course Offerings
- 5K Update
- Testing Update
- Principal's Update-Bianchi
- New Business
- Next Meeting April 21
- Adjourn

Minutes:

Call to Order 8:10 am

Approval of February 2017 minutes

- Motion to approve: Jeff Wolfe
- 2nd motion - Tephford-Rush

SIP Update – School Customer Survey

- Review of results from last year's survey

- "Our school body functions effectively" – 60% agree or strongly agree
- "The school shares info." – 40% to 71% agree and strongly agree that the school communicates well
- 80% agree or strongly agree that the school offers a variety of classes, etc.
- Encourage additional feedback from parents. Survey will be available on website, and strategic locations on campus to encourage parent feedback.

2017-2018 Course Offerings - Schwartz

- Course selection is underway
- Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Mitchell, and Schwartz visited elementary schools
- there are a few changes for upcoming school year;
 - Many more elective choices;
 - 6th graders will have 2 elective options, assuming they demonstrate proficiency on the reading FSA
- 6th and 7th graders will be getting course cards on March 27
 - Students will attend an assembly explaining the course selection process;
 - Students will enter the electives through Virtual Counselor
 - Course cards will be due before Spring Break.

5K Update

- The event was a great success

Testing Update – Ms. Wilson

- Handouts give an overview of the testing dates;
- Test calendar is on the school website;
- Review of where to access additional testing information;
- Testing resources for parents and students available on FSA website
- Students have been practicing and preparing in classes
- The school is looking forward to smooth testing.

Principal's Update - Bianchi

- There have been several events;
 - the 5K is truly special;
 - WMS is great at supporting the school and community;
 - Mrs. Latanya and PTA put together an outstanding event;
 - Multi-cultural night
 - PTA and NJHS set up an amazing event: the shows, music, poetry, art, food;
 - the school had an incoming 6th graders night;

- WMS had a club run during lunch with students from Douglas;
 - 12 clubs from Douglas presented,
 - helping students transition to HS;
- Debate students successful at competition;
- Baseball and Lacrosse is not run by our school, but it is our students who participate and takes place on our campus
- All of the girls sports teams this year have made it to the play-offs;
 - boys are doing well, too;
- Technology Update
 - The school is getting 7 Rodex screens and 7 more in the future
 - Will eventually replace projectors
 - 100% of 7th grade students passed the Microsoft WORD industry certification exam
 - 97% passed of 6th grade students passed the PowerPoint industry certification exam;
 - For every student who passes the Microsoft bundle certification (3 Microsoft Office exams), the school receives money – \$500
 - Next year will be the first cohort of engineering and finance students to

complete the bundle certification.

Approximately 180 students

- School also received acceleration points that help in the school grade calculation.
- Events coming up:
 - early release, end of the 3rd quarter, movie day
 - Band booster fund raiser;
 - Parent surveys are due by the 31st
 - Parent food show at Riverglades;
 - Spring Break
 - Volunteer breakfast is coming up;
 - Douglas Zone Showcase will be on May 25th;
 - WMS will run a camp for 6th graders and new incoming 7th and 8th graders on August 9th;

New Business

- Mrs. Rioux – Peer Counseling class update;
 - students are invited to a presentation about kindness, compassion, and empathy
 - presentation highlights activists (such as Malala; children growing up in 3rd world countries), bullying, etc.;
 - it has become very inspiring . . .

Next Meeting April 21

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40 am