

Attendance/Composition:

- Allison, Travis – SAF Co-Designee
- Alvarez, Caridad – SAC Co-Secretary
- Arriola, Sheryl – Teacher
- Berken-Zaslav, Betsy - Parent
- Bianchi, Matthew – Principal
- Caracuel, Leslie - Parent
- Cook, Amy - Parent
- DeLaRosa, Ana – ESOL Rep.
- Fondren, Latanya – Non-Instructional Rep.
- Gaines, Dana – Parent
- 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
- Roberts, Gia - Teacher
- Stratos, Jennifer – BTU Steward
- Swill, Lisa - Parent
- Tatoute, Alice – Teacher/Parent
- Wilson, Christine - Guidance
- Wolfe, Jeff – SAF Co-Designee

Guest:

Azzarelli, Dawn – ELA Department Head

SAC Agenda for Friday April 21, 2017

- Call to Order
- Approval of March 2017 minutes
- FACE Update
- SIP Update
 - SAC Funding Requests
 - Azarelli – English Language Arts
 - Arriola - Science
- SAC Officer Nomination Process and Committee
- School Update - Bianchi
- New Business
- Next Meeting May 19, 2017
- Adjourn

Minutes

Call to Order: 8:05 am

Approval of March 2017 Minutes

- Motion to approve March meeting minutes - Allison
- 2nd motion to approve – Wolf
- All Approve

FACE Update

- Initiatives to address customer service and open communication with parents and community:
 - Community engagement: Multi-cultural Night, reaching out to different cultures within the school
 - Catch them being good: Stakeholders can leave a positive note about what is going well.

SIP Update – SAC Funding Requests:

- Funding Request by English Language Arts Department (ELA) – Dawn Azzarelli
 - the request is to renew USATestPrep software license
 - software is used to identify strengths and weakness, as well as monitor student progress;
 - license is \$300 per grade-level. Request is for \$900 for ELA licenses for 6th, 7th and 8th grade.
 - Motion to approve: Allison
 - 2nd motion – Cook
 - All approve
- Funding Request by Science Department – Sheryl Arriola
 - Requests \$1200 for USATestPrep software licenses.
 - Uses USATestPrep for summative assessments and tracking student performance
 - Used at each grade level 6-8 grade

- Would like to add Biology, which will be newly offered to Westglades students next year
- Request encompasses \$300 per grade-level of Science (6-8), and \$300 for the Biology
- Motion to approve: Allison
 - 2nd Motion - Rioux
 - All approve

SAC Officer Nomination Process and Committee

- Review of Process, Roles and Responsibilities as outlined in By-Laws
- Nomination Committee will present a slate of SAC officers for the 2017 – 2018 school year at the next SAC Meeting
- Committee Member Selection: volunteers and nominations
 - nominations: Wolfe; Tephford-Rush, and Caracuel, as well as one officer, Larosa.
- Motion to approve nomination committee: Allison
 - 2nd motion - Caracuel
 - All approve
- Nomination committee will receive communication regarding additional meeting date to choose a slate of officers

School Update – Bianchi

- The Rolldex Board are being used and enhancing technology.
- Debate team is being honored by Parkland city commission.
- Track is doing well; both the girls and boys won their meets.
- Golf may approved for next year; it's the same season as soccer,
- New athlectic addition may include cross-country, and tennis.
- WMS will be sending out re-registration information/verification because we are capacity.
- The security office will be refreshed, redone, made bigger; there will be buzzers and better intercom system.
- Testing is in full swing; testing days have been limited and normal day has continued for the rest of the school.
- Budgeting – we'll be getting a math, science, and ELA teacher, as well as aides for ESE.
 - 6th grade will receive additional support.
 - Two secretaries will be hired for next year.
 - Additional funds for clubs was added to the budget.
- New elective offerings include: robotics, multimedia, creating a student-run newsletter, yearbook, etc.; students will be more involved in activities.

- Will be purchasing additional laptops to add to existing carts; if computers go down, there will be 3 more. Many classes are larger than 22.
- Review of district website, new legislation information link allows all stakeholder groups to keep track of state legislation that directly affects education. Also has links to relevant representatives, and their contact information.
 - <http://www.browardschools.com/School-Board/Legislative-Information#.WRtCqSMrIfE>
- Report cards went home.
- Continued testing dates posted on school website.
- 2 big field trips are coming up: Boston and Washington.
- Next week is Administrative Assistant week.
- A Douglas Showcase is next week, April 25 at 6:00 pm. It streamlines elementary, middle, and high school zones.
- Next week Drama is presenting Charlie Brown.
- Teacher Appreciation: May 1-5.
- Interims are on May 4th
- NJHS Induction is on May 5th.

New Business:

- Winston-Davis – We would like to acknowledge Mrs. Julie Hurst; who went above and beyond for the school and students in this community; there's a collection going.

- Mrs. McKenna is concerned that teacher test preparation should start earlier;
 - Winston-Davis – Our school does not focus on test prep, but authentic learning experiences within content areas. We discourage teachers to teach to the test. Teachers simply do last minute reviews of material previously covered as a last academic push before the test. Bianchi – The challenge is to continue teaching the standards throughout the year, and although we review, it is not the main focus.

Next meeting: May 19

Adjourn: 8:32 am