

School Advisory Committee Meeting Notes August 27, 2015

In attendance for the SAC Committee were regular members: Mr. Downing, (Principal); Denise Whitehead (chairperson and parent); Makaya Whitehead (student); Paula Younger, Diane Rembert and Melissa Henry (parents), Carlos Zerquera (teacher); and Mark Mayers (community member). A proxy vote was received from the following member who was unable to attend due to scheduling conflicts: Leda Whitlon (paraprofessional.

Ms. Whitehead presided over the meeting, which began at 5:32 P.M.

In old business, Mr. Downing presented the minutes from the previous meeting, held on April 23, 2015. A motion to accept the minutes was made (Paula Younger) and seconded (Mark Mayers). Motion carried.

In new business, the SAC Training was conducted for all in attendance. Additionally, officers were selected:

- Secretary/Treasurer: Sean Downing (motion Younger; seconded by Downing)
- Vice Chairperson: Paula Younger (motion Downing; seconded by Mayers)
- SAC Chairperson: Denise Whitehead (motion Younger; seconded by Downing)

All votes were unanimous.

Mr. Downing presented the Parental Involvement Plan. The plan itself was reviewed and no questions or discussion. The Parent/Student/School Compact was shared and discussion centered on the percentage of compacts that must be returned/potential incentives for completed compacts to be returned. The School Improvement Plan (SIP) was presented. It was discussed that the plan was currently under review at the district level by Joseph Stanley, Coordinator of Data, Accountability and Assessment. The committee asked about other measures that had been included in the previous SIP (including attendance and discipline). The SAC requested that Mr. Downing bring the SIP back at the next meeting with an attendance and a discipline goal.

The committee reviewed the financials from the last meeting and about a recall of funds from the state. Approved expenditures needed to be amended (including a request for a bus and a trip to the Rapids Waterpark; the renewal cost for the OMS Chapter NJHS). Mr. Downing shared that Chobee Skate, Play and Bowl had hosted our perfect attendees from Summer School.

A financial request to pay the renewal cost for NJHS (previously approved for \$85) submitted by Pam Arnold was read into the record by Sean Downing. Mr. Downing shared that the cost had increased over the summer to \$385. The committee did not make a motion for the money. Questions were raised about the amount of funding available that the NJHS had raised last year. Mr. Downing shared that 100% of the funds raised by the 2014-2015 NJHS Club were spent on local families at Easter (because the rate hike had not been advertised). Another question raised was the benefits of NJHS in the middle school. That question was unable to be answered. There was a request that Pam Denney, OMS NJHS Chair attend the next meeting.

Our next meeting was set for September 24, 2015 at 5:30 PM in the OMS Main Office Conference Room C.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting was made (Younger) and seconded (Zerquera). The motion was passed by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 P.M.

Meeting notes submitted for approval to the membership by Sean Downing, Osceola Middle School Principal. If clarification, revision, or embellishment is needed, please reply to Mr. Downing via district email.

Thank you to all who were in attendance!