

School Advisory Council Minutes
Ponte Vedra High School
January 21, 2020
Media Center – 4:30 p.m.

Attendees Present: Elizabeth Paul, Courtney Rausch, Janice Rausch, Eric Wendell, Erika Marino, John Noell, Michael Harried, Kelly Barrera, Nick Athanaseas, Angela Hunter, Fred Oberkehr

Approval of Minutes:

After a review of the November 2019 Minutes, Eric Wendell made a motion to accept the minutes and seconded by John Noelle.

SAC Survey Questions:

The Parent, student, and staff surveys must be sent out by February 3, 2020.

Questions 1-13 cannot be modified, but the rest can. We need % minimums for every category for students, staff and parents. Mr. Wendell suggested that Mrs. Hunter send out the questions to all SAC members, so they may offer suggestions, and that we also set a deadline. Dr. Oberkehr suggested Jan. 30 as the deadline. Mrs. Hunter suggested having some teachers personally email the invite to parents on their rosters as well.

Principal Updates:

Dr. Oberkehr, reached out to Mr. Snodgrass regarding the lights for the new parking lot, and was informed that we were not allowed to purchase. We would have to look at other ways to fund the purchase.

Scheduling 2020-2021: We are in the beginning stages of scheduling for the 20-21 school year. Course requests are in the process of being sent to parents. Students who receive a Level 1 ELA on their FSA scores will be required to take Intensive Reading, and this may include some Level 2 students. We have been in contact with Landrum regarding their schedules. Once confirmed, Administrators will start building the 20-21 Master Schedule.

Mental Health Training for Students: The required five hour course is scheduled to begin February 3rd. We were going to make it a one day course, but decided to schedule 1 hour a day for five days, beginning February 3rd.

Dress Code: Students seem to be adhering better to the dress code. Parents and students were notified prior to Winter Break of the dress code enforcement.

Fortify Florida: Alerts/concerns are being received, but it is not necessarily the right level of concerns. Our YRO has been working with some students to discuss appropriate behaviors. The SJSO and YRO have been handling everything that is required expeditiously.

PSAC: Principal Student Advisory Committee, will be scheduling meetings with students to receive their input and suggestions regarding improvements needed on campus.

AP Forum: Not well attended. We may need to rethink the offering for every other year. Did post syllabi for every AP course online so students can see the workload required. Mr. Noelle suggested that maybe at the next forum we would ask teachers to give examples so students can really see the writing, the calculations, etc. and not just state, “This is going to be hard!” Ms. Paul asked if there was any way to limit the number of the AP courses so our students are not so overwhelmed? It was part of the survey last year and will be asked again this year.

Intervention: Met with Dr. Asplen before the break. Discussed how we can get time within the school day for remediation. Still looking for how that will work for us.

Top 40 Parking:

Dr. Oberkehr stated that we are going to distribute senior parking spots. Top 40 will be awarded based on the ranking from January 2020.

Mrs. Barrera stated we have lots of good stuff coming up in our district. Character Counts Race, Teacher of the Year, etc. She recognized Courtney Rausch as a former essay winner for the Martin Luther King Jr. Essay winner and said that she still fondly remembers her words.

Close Meeting: Mrs. Hunter asked for a motion to close the meeting. John Noelle made a motion to close the meeting and was seconded by John Wendell. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

APPROVAL SECRETARY: *Cynthia Saleeby/Janice Rausch*, January 21, 2020
(Signature & Date):_____