**Attendance:** Fredrik Oberkehr, Molly Collette, Selena Sheffield, John Weinbrenner, Mark Casper, Aidan Killian,

Erika Marino, Linda Maberry, Pam Riley, Tiffany Neal, Brandy Killian

**Welcome:** Mrs. Collett gave a brief overview of the November minutes and asked if the group had any questions or concerns about the minutes from the November meeting.

Mrs. Collett then asked for a motion to approve the November minutes; John Weinbrenner made a motion to approve the minutes, and Linda Maberry seconded that motion. Vote to Approve Minutes: 100%

**Sources of Strength:** This is a program designed to bring students together discuss their sources of strength during a difficult time in their lives. To discuss who in their life provides support. The program helps build connections with peers and trains them to support one another and be a resource for those who may be struggling with, or would like to have conversations about gender, drugs, alcohol, mental health, relationships, being new to this country, etc. We are making a good faith effort to drive Sources of Strength, and it’s a replacement for the program Metrotown which we’ve used in years past.

**15 Fixes PD Hollywood, FL (January)—Funds Request:** Education has an issue with grading and assessments. Retake policies have been created before really looking into the need behind having a retake policy. Multiple opportunities to demonstrate mastery of the material have been developed, but the retake systems haven’t necessarily been uniformed from school to school which may have become problematic for school districts.

Ken O’Connor is the founder of Fifteen Fixes for Broken Grades. We have been working on this at Ponte Vedra for the past couple of school years. We have not yet implemented the program on our campus because we have not completed the extensive training sessions. In November of 2023 we sent a team of 20 teachers to Nashville for a two-day training. In February the trainers, Garth and Becky came to Ponte Vedra to work with all our teachers for a day. We have invited them back this February to continue the training with all our teachers. In January they will be in South Florida for another two-day workshop, and we would like to use a portion of the School Recognition Funds to send another group of teachers to the workshop, so we have even more teachers on our campus who are familiar with Ken O’Connor’s program. On February 14th Garth & Becky will be coming to PVHS to conduct another workshop on the 15 Fixes, with members of the Nashville trip assuming leadership roles for the session. The largest difference with the 15 Fixes program and current PVHS operations, are grading differences. 15 Fixes follows a different scale that requires conversion back to the current numerical scale employed in the county.

**Requires further Discussion:** A key question we need to look at in the potential overhaul of our gradebook is the relationship between Formative & Summative assignments and the removal of “zeroes.” By their nature, “formative” assignments should not be graded. Instead, they are a tool to gauge student comprehension at that moment in time. The 15 Fixes program supports this, however, current district policy does not. Zeroes are another area of concern. Giving a child a zero is reflective of their behavior (did not turn something in), not their academic ability. This practice is far too punitive in nature and disproportionately brings-down their class average.

Motion to Approve Expenditure (15 Fixes Workshop): Erika Marino made a motion to approve the expenditure, Pam Riley seconded the motion. Vote to Approve the Expenditure: 100%

**Principal's Update:** In January we will begin planning for the next school year. Counselors will begin working with students on class selections in February for next school year. Once we reach the last day of school, we do not permit changes to course selections for the following school year.

Meeting Adjournment: Motion to adjourn @ 5:14pm- Linda Maberry, John Weinbrenner