**School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting Minutes**

**Dr. Mona Jain Middle School**

**October 30, 2023**

**Attendees:** Adrienne Eaton, Ingred Hernandez-Alvaver, Dalaney Arnold, Brenda Arnold, Melissa Cohen, Heather Lemke, Silke Porter, Antoinette Smith, Susan Dunahue, Amanda Keitel, Kate Barlaug, Danielle McClellan, Jason Dudczak, Tracie Flanigan and Kristina Engelsberg.

**Welcome:** Amanda Keitel called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes** for September 11, 2023, reviewed. Amanda Keitel motioned to approve the minutes, and Heather Lemke 2nd the motion.

**SAC Members:**

Chair- Kristina Engelsberg

Vice Chair- Amanda Keitel

Secretary - Tracie Flanigan

**Voting Members:** The demographics of the official SAC Membership match the ethnicity of the school. We needed one Hispanic representation, and a parent, Ingred Hernandez-Alvaver, stepped forward to fill the need. Mrs. Engelsberg will notify all voting members. ***(?, should I include in the minutes the school demographics, even though they were not discussed? If so, please share. I have 64% White, 14% Black, and 22% Hispanic)***

**Principal Report:** Kate Barlaug

* Red Ribbon Week was received well by the students and staff. Everyone loved dressing up in costumes, even Bartmalthew of the school mascot dressed up!
* “Pink Out Day” is tomorrow (10/31). All donations will benefit the Breast Cancer Foundation.
* DMJ Bull Run (11/1) 12:30 2:40 (modified bell schedule & early release) Mr. Dudczak reported the school is just under 10K. 120 students are participating in the 1.5-mile walk; there will be two water stations (PTO supplying cups), a DJ, and Carousel Soft serve. The T-shirts have been ordered and should arrive tomorrow. Anyone submitting funds after 10/16 will get t-shirts after the Bull Run.
* Boys & Girls Soccer season has begun. Their schedules are on the school website. Games 11/2 and 11/7.
* No School 11/10 in honor of Veterans Day
* District Wide School Showcase Fair 11/14 5:30 - 7:30 pm Manatee Technical College.
* The 2024-2025 School Choice Open Enrollment application session is 11/27-12/20.
* Progress Reports go our 11/17
* Fall Break 11/20 -11/24, no hurricane make-up days due to the referendum
* DMJ School Showcase, led by DMJ Leadership and NJHS 11/29.

**Student Representative:** Delaney Arnold - no report.

* Delaney commented on how she enjoyed Red Ribbon Week and seeing Bartholomew, the school mascot, dressed up.

**School Improvement Plan**

* Copies of Dr. Moa Jain Middle School 2023-24 SIP provided to attendees.
* We have 4 Goals:

1. ESSA Subgroup specifically relating to Black/African-American Students to increase overall achievement. We are currently at 37% proficiency, and the goal will be to reach 42% proficiency. This will be a 5% increase in overall proficiency.

2. Instructional Practice specifically relating to ELA. ELA proficiency had an 8% drop from the previous year. The goal is to increase by 8%.

3. ESSA Subgroup specifically relating to Students with Disabilities. According to ESSA, students with disabilities were below the federal index of 41%. Reviewing the data. The goal is to ensure all students that are level 1 or 2 and below the 43% proficiency level are placed in Intensive reading/math.

4. Positive Culture and Environment specifically relating to Other. The goal is to reduce referrals by 10%. Positive supports include Friday Bull Cart, Quarterly rewards, and Student of the Month.

**24-25 School Calendar Proposals**

* The School District of Manatee County Academic Calendar Draft Version A and B were given out to view. (link on website) The district is asking for feedback on calendar proposals.

**District SAC Meeting Review**

* ***Please help; I don’t trust my notes on this one.***

**New Business/Open Floor:**

* Call Outs during school hours: A parent asked them not to occur during school hours. Mrs. Barlaug said they had discussed it and would not call until after 4:30 p.m. unless it was for an “active shooter drill.”
* Apartments will be built next to DMJ. Mrs. Barlaug will have a district conversation with the construction company about safety for student walkers/bikers and the Mallory Park walkway.
* 44th Ave/White Eagle speeding drivers and student safety issues. Our Deputy is working with his Sergeant, and they are ticketing offenders. Mrs. Barlaug plans to add concern to her next call-out. The car line is done by 4:30 p.m., and YDash is $90 monthly.

Next Meeting: November 27, 2023

Adjournment: Kristina Engelsberg called for an adjournment at 6:36 p.m. Amanda Keitel motioned to adjourn, and Susan Dunahue seconded the motion.