Gilbert McNeal Elementary School

School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Location: McNeal Elementary School

Attending SAC Board Members:

Principal Sheila Waid, David Havasi, Lindsay Milner

Parents and Staff Count: Approximately 23 in Attendance

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:23 pm. upon the motion by Jaime Marco, seconded by Shena Jordan. Meeting minutes from October 2023, were approved and seconded by Maria Ade.

2. New Business

A. In December, Mrs. Waid, Mrs. Terry and the SAC Board will have a meeting with Kevin Chapman, Executive Director to the Superintendent. We will share all about that at our meeting in January.

- B. We would love to have a school play. If you have any artistic or acting backgrounds and would like to volunteer, let us know!
- C. A Visitor Code of Conduct is in the works for parents to sign and abide by. We all want to be great community members of McNeal Elementary and we are updated with the code of conduct and will report on the changes soon.

3. Principal's Report

A. Academics:

1. The district science tests results are incredible and those won't be reflected on the FAST results on FOCUS as they are a stand-alone test. Teachers will give those out soon. Mrs. Waid reported that we scored 83% highest in the district tied with Stuart who only has 5th grade classes and McNeal has 6.

B. Field Updates:

1. We are still working on the GAGA pits and thinking about possibly adding turf around those areas to keep them operating smoothly for students. Stay tuned.

C. Safety:

- 1. See Something, Say Something. If you see something or hear something at, drop off/pick up or on campus and have concerns, share those. Please read the student code of conduct on the definition of bullying. Come to Mrs. Waid, or Mrs. Terry if you suspect after reading that information that bullying is occurring. Mrs. Waid has the authority to offer Hope Scholarships (it's the law) to give parents and students an automatic change in schools if indeed bullying has occurred. Our number one priority here at McNeal and the district is student safety.
 - 2. Our counselors do monthly classroom visits to work on safety and social skills.
- 3. McNeal is a no cellphone zone. Students may not operate cell phones at our school campus. Our drop off/pick up line is also a no phone zone. Please refrain from cell phone usage during those times.

4. Open Discussion/ Action Items

- SAC approved Mrs. Savarino's list of books to add to the library. She researched and vetted each book one by one.
- 5. Adjournment- The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 pm upon the motion of Jaime Marco, which was seconded by Erica Ward.