



School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting

Louise R. Johnson K-8 School of International Studies

Date: April 21, 2022

MINUTES

Voting Members Present: Kim Dalglish, Adrienne Vos, Megan Johnson, Chris Edwards, Lisandra Tayloe, Ciara Bostock, Erin Krill, Kim Stroud, Noah Windspirit, Raven Windspirit, Michelle Crockett, Heidi LeRoy, LaShawn'te Lee, Jolanda Brewer, Tony Losada.

Voting Members Absent: Valerie Meridian

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by SAC Chair, Kim Dalglish at 6:15pm
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion made to approve February 2022 minutes by Raven Windspirit. Seconded by Megan Johnson. No discussion requested. Motion approved unanimously.

3. **Message from the Chair:**

Kim Dalglish thanked members for their in-person attendance at SAC after 2 years of virtual meetings. Additionally, she reminded members and attendees that May is the time of year when a new Board and voting members are voted in. Discussion on the opportunity and the impact being a part of SAC can do for the school and students. Kim asked that anyone who has a nomination for Board position and/or voting member to please email her prior to the May meeting. Voting will take place in May.

4. **PTO Update:**

PTO is desiring to have more of a presence at the school now that COVID restrictions have minimized. Planning has begun for next year and Administration and PTO will be collaborating over the summer to collectively plan events for the year. Remaining PTO events for the year include Teacher/Staff Appreciation and Student Appreciation.

5. **Principal's Report:**

Treasurer Funds: Mr. Losada requested SAC funds to pay teachers non-contract hours to support the Summer bootcamp for students. Cost is \$1200. Motion made to use \$768 of SAC funds for summer boot camp. No discussion. Motion Approved.

Testing: May is full of testing-See school website for dates. The district has not yet provided information regarding the new form of testing per the change at the state level. What is known is that students will likely be tested at 30 days to develop a benchmark and

then progress monitoring throughout the year to determine gains.

Field Trips: Mr. Losada indicated that field trips would be returning next year with a focus on the IB profiles and real world experiences. May 20th: 8th and 5th graders go to Busch Gardens; May 6th: Kindergarten goes to Mote Marine and April 28th, 1st Graders go to Hunsader Farms.

Grade Level Ceremonies: May 24th: PK-4th with a focus on Learner Profile. 5th Grade ceremony happens May 25th and 8th grade happens on the 26th. 8th Graders will have a dance after their graduation and then early out. Discussion by SAC members on the desire to resume the grade-level presentations and the learner profile award ceremonies next year as that is part of the IB approach and an opportunity for parents to see the value of the IB education. This supports recruitment and retention of students who choose Johnson.

Activities: May 13th-A dance will be held for all Johnson students to bring an adult of their choice: A Ball for All. This is not a PTO event, but an event sponsored by the admin's activity committee. Donuts with Grown-ups will be happening at the end of April-Sign up will go out. This is the administration's activity committee event. Staff and 5th grade student kickball game and Johnson night with the Rays happening on 5/14.

Safety and Security: Deputy Schrenk will be the deputy onesie while Deputy Claar is on leave. Safety concerns regarding the gate for the back of the school have not been addressed by the district despite Administration and SAC being advised it was being addressed. Mr. Losada continues to advocate.

The Book Fair was a success and Michelle Crockett generously donated books for each teacher. Literacy night: this was tied to the book fair with a goal to help parents learn more skills to help engage students in reading.

Parent University: This will be explored next school year with a focus on a quarterly approach after reviewing where the student needs are.

Summer Slide: Admin is discussing a summer program for Johnson students to combat the summer slide. Paying non-contract hours 1-day per week virtually or face to face . Promote to parents, offering flexible hours. Working out the details to help provide support to students in the summer.

Vertical Planning: Teachers are collaborating with higher level grades to identify opportunities for curriculum planning and collaboration.

PYP Evaluation: The evaluation is happening this week, virtually. Shana Burg has put in hours of time to prepare for the evaluation. The interview committee interviewed the Principal, Board Members, Assistant Principal, teachers, parents and students. Shana provided video footage of classroom content to highlight how IB is incorporated into the curriculum. Results of the assessment will be provided to SAC upon receipt. Mr. Losada

expects that by the next SAC meeting, results should be available.

Uniforms: Several months ago, Mr. Losada indicated he wanted SAC to discuss the uniform policy as he had some parents expressing concern over the PYP uniform policy. A discussion occurred regarding the pros/cons of allowing PYP to wear the same bottoms as MYP is allowed. Discussion on some families have trouble finding PYP bottoms to fit and children don't like the options. Discussion on the reason for the difference that was advocated previously was to give MYP students something that sets them apart from a uniform standpoint from PYP. Discussion on the fact that this is a choice school. Discussion on the risk of increased dress code violations. Discussion on research that has suggested uniforms contribute to better focus and better behavior. Megan Johnson made a motion to leave the Uniform policy as is. Jolanda Brewer seconded the motion. No discussion. All voting members voted Yes, with the exception of Erin Krill who voted Nay. Motion passed.

Discussion on the PTO Facebook page and Mr. Losada indicated he had no concern with revising that FB page as long as it focused only on PTO events. Discussion on how the school administrators should not need to be tasked with promoting PTO events. Discussed how we need to re-engage our families through PTO events as that contributes to a good school community and culture.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm