
In Person Attendance: Y. Aldana, A. Alston, F. Calero, T. Daub, L. Garfinkel, J. Gonzalez, F. Hernandez, N. Hicks, L. Hoy, C. Hozebin, J. Jaswell, J. Lopez, H. Malan, J. McClure, M. Minikus, R. Morganstine, M. Murray, T. Newton, V. Perkovic, V. Pimentel, I. Polatos, M. Sansone, G. Schoenfeld, R. Steward J. VanDusen, J. Whiteside, K. Williford, J. Wren, J. Lopez

I. Welcome/Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance – T. Daub
Meeting called to order at 3:07 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes T. Daub – SAC Co-Chair

- Table review of minutes until Committee members have been voted in.
- A parent link has been sent out for the nomination of members; this will help the process.

III. Reports

A. SGA Update – Gina Schoenfeld

- Rush week is next week for clubs to advertise for new members to join.
- Class shirts will be on sale this week
- Homecoming tickets will be sold Saturday, September 9th / Saturday at 1pm and during A and B lunches, Monday, 9/11 and Tuesday 9/12 in the cafeteria. An estimated 800 tickets are to be sold. The ticket price will be \$55. All students are invited to buy tickets. No outside guests will be permitted. Students will not be able to purchase a ticket if they have 5 or more full day absences, have received a behavioral referral, or have an outstanding obligation.
- Homecoming week will be September 25th – 29th. Events will be hosted at school during Spirit week. Schedule of Spirit Week events: TBD
- Class shirts are on sale for all classes.

B. Senior Class Report – M. Sansone, Senior Class President

- The seniors will be selling senior class shirts for \$20.
- The Senior Class is asking for additional donations to assist with all the events.
- Parking Space painting is scheduled at 9am on 9/9.
Additional discussion will be had to accommodate students who are taking the ACT.

C. Latinos in Action – V. Pimentel, Student Representative

- Future plan for the school year:
 - Hispanic Heritage week October 9th.
 - The club is looking forward to visiting Cooper City elementary schools to assist students with academics.

D. Multicultural Club - Student Representative (unable to attend)

E. District Committee Updates – L. Garfinkel, SAF Representative

The District Advisory Council met Wednesday, August 9th. The meeting began with the Superintendent, Dr. Peter Licata welcoming everyone and thanking the DAC members for their assistance in making important decisions for children. He expressed that he would like to know about any problems but in a proper setting, not in a grand audience. He said he is looking forward to maintaining accountability and utilizing resources to the best of our ability. He expressed that he has a goal of providing the best for the students and staff of Broward Schools and attaining an A rating.

- a. Dr. Licata mentioned that AP Psychology will not be pulled for the current school year. Teachers will work within the guardrails while implementing the curriculum required by College Board. Parents of students enrolled in AP Psychology will receive a letter for them to sign authorizing their child to take the course or opt out of it.
- b. Dr. Licata or a designee will be present at the DAC meetings to facilitate communication. He mentioned that his goal is to have openness and transparency when communicating with stakeholders.
- c. A discussion regarding the utilization of nicknames took place. Dr. Hudge shared that the emergency contact card now has a space for parents to complete which would allow staff to address their child by a name other than their legal name.
- d. Focus will replace Terms for the 2024-2025 school year. All data will be housed in this one platform. This will make for much less paperwork. There will be a web portal parents can log in and view report cards, interim reports, and live grades, as well as IEP's and other educational documents. There will also be a mobile app version and it will allow live messaging from teachers.
- e. A discussion took place on the status of several schools that are in much need of repair. Dr. Licata shared that he will be making changes to ensure equity in school facilities and finds the current status of many sites unacceptable. He also mentioned that he wants to bring students back from charter schools and improve our innovative program offerings.
- f. Jodi Washington gave a presentation of Policy 5050 Reproductive Health and Disease Prevention along with a proposal for supplemental instruction. Legislation, statutes, and board of education rules were discussed as well. Feedback was requested as there have not been any final decisions made. The district will need to submit the curriculum to the state for approval and, before that, they are seeking input and want to know the priorities of stakeholders and what they want to be included. She went through the various grades and explained what was required for the

curriculum and what was considered supplemental.

- g. It was mentioned that there is a concern that not all students will receive this information as this curriculum has typically been taught in a specific class and if a student is not taking the class they will not be exposed to this important information. It was explained that when, where, and how this curriculum will be taught will be worked on next to ensure that all students get it not just students taking a specific class.
- h. Jodi Washington will be at the South Area Meeting on September 20th at 9am at McArthur High School to present this and gather additional input. A discussion of possibly sending out a detailed survey to elicit feedback took place and possibly having a Teams meeting/presentation, as it was mentioned that this may allow the district to reach a larger audience and gather more input.

F. Principal's Report- V. Perkovic, Principal

- Ms. Perkovic began by welcoming all to the meeting and to the new school year. She expressed the opening of the school year has been fantastic. A special thank you to the staff who worked over the summer to prepare for the new year. She also offered her thanks to the custodial staff for providing the best building in the district.
- Success Assemblies have been held for all grade levels during the first week of school.
- Over 300 freshmen attended cowboy Corral. 9th grade and New to Cooper Night was a resounding success.
- Safety and security remain a top priority. Our first fire drill, lockdown and secure drills were completed during the first week of school.
- Approximately 1100 families have completed the online back-to-school forms. As a reminder a ParentLink will go out Friday. The back portion of the Student Emergency Contact form is especially important for the nurse to assist or see students. The nickname and Pronoun portion of the form are also necessary for preferred name or pronoun usage to be approved in classes and on Pinnacle. All forms are available online.
- New this year, all Club and afterschool activities must have parental permission form signed prior to participation in the activity.
- The Multicultural club was unable to attend. Ms. Perkovic shared that the club is preparing for Peace Week activities the week of September 18th – September 22nd.
- The administrative team has been impressed by scholars and their work in the last week. This year carries the feeling of being fully back to school with full engagement and happiness in the air. All scholars wear IDs while on campus. ID's provide increased protection for campus security.
- Picture day will be held on August 30 and 31st. Student will attend during study hall class.
- The theme this school year is "Motivate, Education, Accelerate," Every "1"

counts.

- In response to parent question regarding Junior parking, Ms. Perkovic stated the school has very limited parking and currently only for seniors.
- Ms. Perkovic reminded all at the meeting of the importance of the dress code established by BCPS being followed by all students. The school Tardy and Absence policy is in full effect and has been stated on all syllabuses. For optimal instruction, all students should be in class, ready to learn by 7:40.
- Administration has noted that chronic absenteeism was a problem last year. We are asking for parental support in students attending school – Attendance Matters!
- Open House is scheduled for September 12th at 6pm. The Extracurricular activities portion of Open House will begin at 5:30pm. PTSA will be selling crock charms, Cooper gear, and pizza and water.
- The administration is excited that Common Planning for teachers within each subject area was worked into the schedule this year. This change will allow for additional teacher collaboration.

IV. Unfinished business

- NONE

V. School Improvement - Best Practice

- a. Best practice #1: A Focused and Authentic Professional Learning Community (PLC)**
- b. Best practice #2: An Embedded High Quality-Response to Intervention (RTI)**
 - MTSS/RTI Process
 - Literacy Plan
 - School Counseling Plan
 - School-wide Positive Behavior Plan
 - Equity Plan
 - Attendance Plan
 - Social & Emotional Learning Plan
- c. Best practice #3: Internal and External Stakeholders**
 - FACE
 - Accreditation
- d. Best practice #4: Scaling up Best Practice**
 - BPIE

VI. New Business

- No new business until elections are held.

VII. Next meeting: September 26@ 3pm in the CCHS Media Center

- Meetings must be held following the district meeting.
- Teachers nominate teachers and parents nominate parents per our Bylaws.
- 23-24 SAC positions will be voted in at the 9/26 meeting.

- Please submit any nominations as early as possible so that Ms. Daub can add them to the Agenda.

VIII. Adjourn

- The Meeting was adjourned at 4:08.

SAC Dates: August 29, September 26, October 25, November 28, January 23, February 27, March 19, April 24, May 21