

Pelican Marsh Elementary School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes

3/22/2016

5:45 PM

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SAC CHAIR	Valerie Weiss
PRINCPAL	Dr. Susan Barcellino
NOTIFICATION OF MEETING	Date: 3/20/16 Posted on Website and Sent via Email
MEMBERS PRESENT	Susan Barcellino, Valerie Weiss, Christianne Arthur, Dennis Joseph, Cheryl Malick, Peter Paddock Karen Hancock, Shelly Carroll, Kelle Hampton, Michelle Ives, Catalina Quintero, Christopher Ulrich, Catalina Calero Guests in Attendance: Dr. Alves
MEMBERS ABSENT	Lianne Elliott, Christine Jean-Louis, Junia Sarmianto
QUORUM PRESENT?	
WELCOME	Mrs. Weiss welcomed all members and began the meeting at 5:45 PM.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	The minutes from the last meeting were motioned to be approved by Karen Hancock. It was seconded by Dennis Joseph. All were in favor.
CHANGES TO AGENDA	No changes to the agenda.
AGENDA ITEM 1	Old Business – no old business.
AGENDA ITEM 2	Dr. Barcellino introduced Dr. Alves from the ESE Department. She introduced the Autism Program which will be hosted at PME for the 2016-17 school year. There will be one primary (PreK, K, and 1) unit and one intermediate (2, 3, 4, and 5 th grade). Each class will have 7-9 students with a ratio of 1 teacher to 3 students. Dr. Alves described the program and the anticipated growth for servicing the needs of these identified students. There has been an increasing percentage of students with these specific needs. This program is not moving from another school, they are additional units. Dr. Alves named the schools that currently host the autistic program, and Dr. Barcellino discussed how this will not affect our school grade.

AGENDA ITEM 3	Mrs. Ives and Mrs. Arthur revealed the results of the parent, teacher, and student surveys for the uniform proposal. The results demonstrated majority votes as follows: Parents – no, Staff - yes, Students - no. See attached data for specific survey results. Comments were also shared for each of the 3 groups, which is also on the attached document. Mrs. Arthur recommended to Dr. Barcellino that we should not make a change to have a uniform policy, based on the survey results. Mrs. Malick proposed that we look at the totals of the parents and teachers which when combined only leaves a margin of 1 person in favor of no. It was brought to the attention of the committee members that the students’ opinions should not be considered when making a proposal to the group. Mrs. Weiss stressed the importance of the survey and the overwhelming participation of everyone. Mr. Paddock recognizes that there is less of a need for a school such as PME, to have a uniform policy. Dr. B mentioned that things are working very well the way that they are currently, and that we should consider keeping it as so. Mrs. Weiss stated the motion to keep the dress code as it is. There was a unanimous consensus not to instill the uniform policy.
AGENDA ITEM 4	Motion to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.
AGENDA ITEM 5	
OPEN AGENDA	Open Agenda Items – None
NEXT MEETING: DATE	April 19, 2016 at 5:45 p.m. in the Media Center
NEXT MEETING: AGENDA TOPICS	Dr. Barcellino will bring back information concerning Senate Bill 672.
MINUTES SUBMITTED BY	Karen Hancock