**SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**January 26th, 2021**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at1:01 p.m.

**Members Present**

Michelle Alqudah

Rebecca Brewer

Alice Cimino

Tara DouBrava

Elizabeth Haims

Sally Hill

Brandi Hook

Kim Kayser

Jennifer Latavish

Victor Lowrimore

Becky Nicholson

**Members** **Absent**

Melissa Anderson

Kyle Buck

Carrie Dalton

Dawn Hurt

Ron Marshall

Shelley Mann

**Guests Present**

Deputy Noel Sevilla

**Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Chair Kim Kayser asked for the motion to be approved with Michelle Alqudah seconding. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

**School Public Accountability Reports**

Committee members were given an opportunity to view school and district data on the Florida Department of Education website. [**http://edudata.fldoe.org/index.html**](http://edudata.fldoe.org/index.html).

**Standing Reports**

* SAC Budget

The balance is currently $10,979.44. Victor Lowrimore indicated that he is eager to review the data from the Renaissance and STAR tests with teachers in the future. He also anticipates that FSA testing will occur this school year and distributed a schedule for reference. In the future, Mr. Lowrimore may request funds for professional development for teachers and staff.

* Discipline

The number of discipline referrals has dramatically decreased compared to this time last year. Mr. Lowrimore shared statistics in regard to infractions and consequences that have occurred. He encouraged any questions about this, or any other matter, ensuring a swift response.

* School Safety and Security

Mr. Lowrimore is pleased to report that WMBS received positive ratings in the most recent safety inspection. The campus was in full compliance in regard to items such as drills, classroom procedures, and building entry. Deputy Noel Seville has been integral in identifying and implementing safety procedures on campus, and Mr. Lowrimore expressed his appreciation. Mr. Lowrimore also shared information and dates for upcoming drills. A fire drill was scheduled for today but was rescheduled due to inclement weather. Later this week, Mr. Lowrimore will conduct a fire drill training via ITV.

* Hospitality Committee

Mr. Lowrimore expressed his appreciation to the Hospitality Committee for providing a grab-and-go Chick Fil-A lunch prior to winter break. A sweatshirt fundraiser will begin on February 8th with sweatshirt pick up on February 26th.

**Agenda Items**

* COVID -19 Response

Mr. Lowrimore shared that the 1st report of COVID-19, based on student direct contact, has been identified. He indicated that there have been approximately 20 positive cases that were reported by parents. These numbers are based on students contracting the virus off-campus. Mr. Lowrimore also shared data from the district website that represents all the reported cases for all schools in the county. [COVID-19 Santa Rosa County School Board Report](https://app.powerbi.com/view?r=eyJrIjoiNjQ1NTVhNzAtNzJiZC00YmExLTk1MjMtODMwOWRkOGI5NGVlIiwidCI6IjQ0NTFkMmNkLWQ5Y2YtNDkwMS1iZDkwLThiNTk2MmNkYWY3ZSIsImMiOjF9)

Mr. Lowrimore shared details of an initiative that would offer tutoring services in the core subject areas to remote and quarantined students. This initiative would be offered on the TEAMS platform adding another layer of support that the district is providing to students.

For teacher quarantines, there is a possibility of implementing a remote teaching model. In the event that a teacher is quarantined, a substitute would be present to supervise the classroom while the teacher presents the day’s objective virtually.

Another initiative for the prevention of COVID-19 (funds provided by the [CARES Act](https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/cares/state-and-local-governments)) is the installation of air filters in the largest spaces on campus. These areas include: the cafeteria (4), the band (2) & chorus rooms (2), and the multi-purpose room/PE (2).

Kim Kayser asked about how information is shared in regard to COVID-19 cases. Mr. Lowrimore explained that the information that we receive is forwarded to the Department of Health (DOH). The DOH determines how long students will be quarantined and remains the point of contact during the COVID-19 process.

Elizabeth Haims inquired about students that have been exposed to COVID-19 more than once. How long do subsequent quarantines last? Mr. Lowrimore explained that if a student had a DOH documented case of COVID-19, and the student has been exposed within 90 days of being cleared, he/she will be exempt from quarantine.

Ms. Haims also inquired about pick-up and drop-off procedures for families with more than one student attending. Mr. Lowrimore suggested utilizing the south end, 6th grade wing for families with more than one student. He shared that he was pleased with the traffic flow of the new option.

Learning Option Change

Mr. Lowrimore reported that approximately 19 students have returned to campus from remote for 2nd semester while 16 students moved to remote learning.

FSA Testing

Mr. Lowrimore shared details about the testing calendar with the committee. He explained that discussions are underway as to the procedures for testing all students here on campus safely. Mr. Lowrimore anticipates more information will be revealed during the next principal’s meeting. Elizabeth Haims inquired as to whether or not students’ grades will be affected by EOC (End of Course) Civics exams. Mr. Lowrimore indicated that they may or may not be counted.

Jennifer Letavish asked about changes in testing delivery: computer-based vs. paper-based. Mr. Lowrimore indicated that there was a return to paper-based testing for 6th graders.

**Calendar**

January 25-29th Literacy Week

January 28th Report Cards

February 15th President’s Day Holiday

February 19th Mid-Term Exams

March 15-19th Spring Break

Mr. Lowrimore was excited to share details about Literacy Week. The week includes awards for students “Caught Reading”, a daily Podcast, and a book parade to be held on the track.

**Next Meeting**

The next SAC meeting will be in the Woodlawn Cafeteria at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 30th, 2021.

**Adjournment**

Prior to adjournment, Mr. Lowrimore extended his appreciation to all students, parents, community members, and faculty/staff for their continued support throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

At 1:47 p.m. Kim Kayser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Michelle Alqudah seconded the motion.