

SAC Minutes
October 8, 2019

Started at 2:20
People Present: 8

A meeting of Margate Elementary School Advisory Council was held in the Margate Elementary Café on October 8, 2019. Chair Shannon Mills called the meeting to order at 2:20 p.m. Shannon Mills will record minutes for this meeting.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: SAC Chair, Shannon Mills

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE: Mr. Schroeder, Principal

- **Security Updates-** New this year, we have 2 Full time Campus monitors. They watch cameras, do gates checks and walk the campus.
- **PTA updates-** Fall Festival- October 25th – we are looking for volunteers.
- **SAC/SAF information:** Talked about ways to get more parents involved in School Advisory Council. We will pass out flyers at the upcoming Fall Festival. We also talked about differing the times for the meetings. We called a few parents and was able to recruit Danielle Morales and Melissa Haas. We will vote at the November meeting to add them to the SAC composition.

University of Florida Literacy initiative- We are excited to be partnering with The University of Florida and the James Patterson Literacy Challenge.

James Patterson Literacy Challenge partners receive:

- Support for ongoing professional learning activities, including the Summer Reading Academy for teachers
- Ongoing, school-based direct support from a partnership coordinator
- Assistance with development of local ‘Summer Adventures in Literacy’ programs to support sustainable, cost-effective, ongoing

professional development and coaching for teachers along with local, direct intervention for struggling readers

- Opportunity for staff to become reading endorsed and/or receive a dyslexia certificate
- Personalized online professional development for all teachers and school leaders
- Teachers also participated in a Summer Academy training.
- The Summer Reading Academy is a week-long professional development for teachers in our partner schools. Facilitated by literacy experts from The University of Florida Literacy Initiative (UFLI), sessions address the fundamental aspects of literacy development: metacognition, language, fluency, and knowledge, and how each of these impact comprehension. Additional content is designed to meet the individual needs of our partner schools. Each of the training sessions are further broken down by grade level so that teachers receive grade-specific information about each topic. At the end of the Summer Reading Academy, school teams collaborate with members of the JPLC team to create a school-wide plan outlining how it will all come to life within their school's reading culture.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 14th, 2019 at 2:20 in the library.

- Motion to Adjourn – Patricia Moore
- 2nd motion- Mr. Burke