



# APOLLO MIDDLE SCHOOL

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## School Advisory Council (SAC) 2023-2024

October 25, 2023 5:00PM - 6:00PM

Location: Media Center

Dr. Louis Kushner, Principal

Mr. Damon Martin, SAC Liaison

Mrs. Danairy Perez and Mrs. Fenoune Sainvil, SAC Co-Chairs

### Minutes

#### 1. **Welcome**

Mrs. Perez

Mrs. Perez welcomed everyone to our SAC meeting, and Ms. Suarez motioned for the meeting to start at 5:07 pm.

#### 2. **Approval of SAC Meeting Minutes**

Mrs. Perez

The minutes were read, and approval moved by Mr. Pigan.

#### 3. **New Business for SAC**

- The date for the March SAC meeting was moved forward from Wednesday, March 20, 2024, to Tuesday, March 19, 2024.
- SIP: For this month we had a department presentation-Ms. Comple (Writing Coach) presented data for the ELA department. For ELA, one of the targets is to increase gains for the students who achieved in the lowest 30% band. Teachers are currently reviewing Common Formative Assessments (CFAs) and remediating the lowest standards. Write Score is a new tool that the ELA teachers use for help in scoring the essays written by students.
- Middle school students are taking the FAST-Writing exam for the first time in April of 2024.
- There are new cut scores for the FAST state exam.

#### 4. **Principal Updates**

Dr. Kushner

- Dr. Timmons was promoted to Assistant Principal at an elementary school and Ms. Perez was promoted to Magnet Coordinator.
- Two new teachers were hired.
- SESIR data



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There have been 11 incidents so far this school year. Dr. Kushner appealed to the parents to be vigilant with regards to the vaping situation.

- Broward Schools District will come in and visit classrooms at Apollo tomorrow, October 26, 2023.
- Broward Schools District is moving to a new platform for all things scheduling. Focus is the name of the platform.
- There will be a Magnet Showcase here at Apollo on November 17, 2023.
- Magnet applications for high school for the upcoming school year opens on December 1, 2023.
- Facilities update: the roof, painting, and media center are complete. We are still waiting on A/C units so the next phase of our renovation project will tentatively begin in early December 2023.
- We have \$24,000 left from the SMART bond money. It is intended that it will be used to upgrade room 111 into a STEM lab.
- We still have \$5,870 from past monies and the current balance from last year is \$23,768.44.
- Dr. Kushner is requesting \$18,388 to put additional wall wraps, and to purchase new rubber mats increased. A vote was taken-13 attendees voted yes. The request was thus approved.
- We have money from STEM related donations/grants. Dr. Kushner will let SAC know the exact amount that we have as soon as he gets the number.

## 5. Title I updates

Ms. Morris

- We had a superb turnout for our Hispanic Heritage Night celebration in September.
- We will have our literacy parent engagement night and Book Fair tonight starting at 6 pm. Everyone is invited.
- The parent engagement survey is active on our school's website. Please complete it and encourage other parents and families to do the same.

## 6. Open Discussion

Mrs. Sainvil

- Last year SAC approved band supplies and art supplies requests but the district had some minor issues therefore the supplies have not been purchased yet.
- Mr. Pigan extended kudos to the new Band teacher.



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## **Meeting adjourned**

Mrs. Sainvil

Ms. Gidron motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 pm

## **Next Meeting**

Next SAC meeting: November 29 , 2023