

West Broward High School

SAC Minutes - (October 1, 2024)

Attendance:

Attendees signed in and Helen Dozois attended virtually.

Call to Order:

A meeting of the __ (West Broward High School) __ School Advisory Council was held in the (Media Center at 500 NW 209th Ave Pembroke Pines, FL 33029) on October 1, 2024.

- Uta H. Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 3:37pm. Dianek Ventura will record minutes for this meeting.
- Motion to begin meeting by: Natalie Allen and seconded by: Tara Terrible

Approval of Minutes:

- (Natalie Allen) motions to approve (Ryan Allen) seconds the motion to approve the minutes of (September 3, 2024), with the following corrections _ **(No Corrections)** _.
- Motion to accept the minutes has been accepted by 14 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions – Show of hands.

Principal Updates:

- District is doing an update to computer systems which will cause a freeze in all system updates starting on October 8th.
- ParentLinks will be used more frequently since websites will likely not update.
- Principal Bristol is trying to make ParentLink phone recordings very short and focusing on putting most of the information on email ParentLink.
- PSAT will be held October 16th for 9th and 10th graders.
- 118 Students from 11th grade will be trying out for National Merit Scholarships.
- 50 students from 12th grade will be working on the math requirement.
- 51% of students were proficient last year (2024) versus 50% the year before (2023) and 45% the year before that (2022).
- 1250 students were at Homecoming and the event was a success.
- Seniors will give flowers to other teams' seniors at sporting events. This shows team spirit and kindness.

Old Business:

- SAC Composition
 - Open Positions

- ESOL Representative is needed.
- Business Representative (previous person was not determined to be eligible based on bylaws).
 - Business Representative can also be a police officer, firefighter, or clergyman.
- Student Representatives - **Sebastian Rogers and Ryan Allen.**
- Most parents are BCPS employees, and we need parents that are not BCPS employees.
- Parent participation needs to be 51%.
 - Once the two positions are filled (ESOL & Business Representative) we will be at the limit of no more than 51% parent SAC composition.
- A realtor is potentially joining SAC – Natalie Allen will follow-up on this possible representative.

New Business:

- 2024-2025 SAC Bylaws – Changes can only be made to 4 items.
 - Article III Section 3, Article IV Section 1-3.
 - A Motion to approve the Bylaws was made by: Laura Blackshaw and seconded by: Jennifer Alberti.
 - 14 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions – Show of hands.
- SAF Bylaws – Cannot be changed.
 - The motion to approve the bylaw was made by: Sarah Zorn-Milmed and seconded by: Natalie Allen.
 - 14 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions – Show of hands.
- Budget Requests:
 - Sarah Zorn-Milmed presented a budget request.
 - Extended Learning Opportunities (ELO) Funds are no longer available to pay teachers who supervise students and tutors after school Monday - Thursday.
 - Tutoring is conducted by National Honor Society, AP Biology, Spanish Honor Society, Science Honor Society, and Math Honor Society.
 - The adult in charge signs-in the kids and scans their IDs.
 - Today, in room 142 they are hosting 28 students.
 - There are no computers in room 142, but there are computers in the media center when tutoring is held there.
 - Government funds are no longer available to this tutoring.
 - Ms. Zorn-Milmed, Ms. Barnes, and Mr. Marrafini take turns
 - The Budget Proposal is for:
 - 3 teachers at \$30/hr for 100 sessions = \$3,000.
 - To continue, they need funds because it's important to conduct this type of tutoring, especially right before Biology and Math tests.
 - Many parents cannot afford private tutors.
 - Kids must have permission slips and barcodes must be scanned for attendance.

- Ms. Tchir said kids are constantly coming to the media center and asking for opportunities to receive tutoring.
- A question was raised regarding this type of request and if it meets SAC requirements.
- A concern was also raised on an approval like this opening the floodgates to more requests for teachers, who oversee non-sponsored clubs.
- Explanation was given that a request like this can be approved if it will benefit more than a small number of students in a variety of programs throughout the school. This meets that requirement.
- Accountability Funds for this year include - \$30,000 from last year and \$6,000 from this year.
- We don't have an exact date for the availability of funds, but rollover is typically in October.
- Helen Dozois asked about the number of attendees for the tutoring sessions.
 - As an example, Mrs. Zorn-Milmed shared that - for Biology - 28 students are attending today.
 - Typically, there are 15 tutors per day.
 - Benefits and success figures can be pulled.
- Motion to open was made by: Lisa Brown and seconded by: Ryan Allen.
- Motion to approve was made by: Elizabeth Rivero and seconded by: Laura Blackshaw.
 - 13 Yes, 0 No, 0 abstentions – Show of hands.

Questions and Comments:

None

Next Meeting Date & Time:

The next meeting will be held on (November 12, 2024, at 3:30pm) in the (Media Center at 500 NW 209th Ave Pembroke Pines, FL 33029)

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion made by: Elizabeth Rivero and seconded by: Laura Blackshaw at __4:18pm____. Motion carried

Unanimously by 13 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions – Show of hands

- *Meeting to be immediately followed by School Advisory Forum (SAF)*
 - *No items to discuss*
- *Motion to adjourn by: Principal Bristol and seconded by: Laura Blackshaw at 4:23pm*

Submitted by,

Name of Recorder: _____Dianek Ventura_____

Name of Position on Board: ____Secretary_____

Approval Date: _____