Patriot Oaks Academy – School Advisory Council Notes

November 12, 2019 in the Media Center 3:15

Time 3:20: Welcome and Handouts

Introduction (Cori Duprey):

* Reviewed minutes – minutes passed from October meeting.

Guest Speaker: Paul Beasley was not able to attend the meeting today due to other business and he will attend the December meeting.

Jennifer Sicilian/Representative for Focus Group: Mr. Forson says that everyone is invited to the District Focus Group to attend the meeting and get information about the district. Each school that attended shared information about what good things are happening. There were also community representatives that shared information. Parent involvement was also there. TPC(The Players)/mental health support was at the meeting to share information. INK! was also represented. They shared “Make a Mark” for each month and need nominations of teachers that are doing outstanding work. Teachers and parents can nominate teachers to be represented each month and the great work they are doing in the classroom. Educators pass - contact Cathy Carlson (also on the Ink! website). Mr. Forson knows that funding is needed for new schools. Players and Flagler are donating over a million dollars for mental health for students. There is no parent waiver for this program. Curriculum is being developed. Middle schools and high schools are looking at providing this information during early release. School or PTO that wants to provide mental health information can be arranged if support is needed. Schools shared good news such as fund raising. SAC funds can be provided to teachers who are looking at continuing education but it must align with the School Improvement Plan. Anyone is invited to attend, next meeting is Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at Fullerwood from 9-11 a.m. The website is: www.INK-stjohns.org

Ms. Olson shared that Everfy is a computer program that shares information with student mental health. There are sections that relate to drugs/alcohol, mental health and links will be provided to parents provided prior to the presentation to the students. Elementary may have a similar schedule of 1 hour of time to support the conversation with students, however, this may not be the best time due to it being at the end of the day.

Principal’s Report:

Food Drive has started – Boxes will be available at the drop off lines/red lot/blue lot lines. The food is provided to South Woods School families in need.

The Book Fair – begins today and goes for the next 10 days. Please support out PTO and shop for the holidays.

Assembly for the Chargerthon: The great pirate race was provided to the students and was a reward for the 400 students who raised the most funds for the school. Middle school also receive rewards through the dare jars (shaving legs, teachers dressed as babies and pie in the face games for the administration). Goal was met for the Chargerthon.

Friday – Fall family Dance/Hoedown/STEM night is Friday, November 15 from 6-8.

Parent/Community Review Committee is in need of support from parents and community to help review resources. Diana Carlson-Bright is asking for those interested in helping out to give feedback on Spanish and Technology resources. A link will be provided for those interested in reviewing what is available.

A copy of the School Improvement Plan will be provided to the SAC committee from Ms. Olson.

After school tutoring being overseen by Mr. Duggan is going well and students are working very hard. Students are working on their own individual i-Ready path.

Feedback from the resources teachers working with students that need a little extra attention has been going very well and relationships are being developed. Students in the lowest quartile and students that did not seem to be developing relationships with adults.

Good of the Group:

Questions about the use of text books and how much there are actually used in the classroom. This question was directed to textbook adoption in Spanish and Technology.

Giftcards and yearbooks winner for the Chargerthon? Wondering who won?

Adjourned at 4:06

In Attendance on November 12, 2019

Allison Olson, Courtney Duprey, Adrienne Hilts, Dianna Carlson Bright, Megan Doxzon, Kim Rhodus, Alisha Peterson, Lisa Smith, Kathy Hudson, Heather West, Jennifer Sicilian, Carrie Edell, Shae Bryan, Lauren Scheets, Jessica Balla, Caroline Dow, Kathleen Boothe (excused absence), Leah Cygan.