Patriot Oaks Academy- School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Date and Time	December 20, 2022 – 3:15pm
Place	POA Media Center/Microsoft Teams
Attendance	Staff: Gene Eberhardt, Allison Olson, Kathy Hudson, Eric Smith, Mildred Sierra
	Members: Larissa Faulkner, Lisa Blume, Julie Dashiell, Harnish Parikh, Carrie Edell, Lisa Winter, Kathleen Boothe, Zeina Spaulding, Ferres Joshua, Stephanie Celis- Herrera, Jodi Weil, Leonie Halstead, Susan Moore, Lonnie Curran
	Community members:
	District SAC Buddy:
Call to Order by	Eric Smith (SAC Chair)
Minutes (agenda order)	November Meeting Questions and Answers
	• Can we start the SAC meeting later to help avoid congestion caused by the car line, say start at 3:30.
	Yes, starting in January we will begin the meeting at 3:30 pm.
	POA was looking for 8 tutors. Did we hire them?
	About half of the tutors have been hired.
	Will there be a middle school transition camp again this summer for rising 6 th graders? We are a leaving to do that
	Yes, we are planning to do that.
	• Can POA athletes be dismissed earlier on game days, like with the first group of middle schoolers instead of waiting until 2:48 pm? That would mean students missing too much instructional time in 7 th period. When parents asked this question in the past, the response was that SJMSAA needs to adjust the game time. It is an issue for baseball only, which starts at 3:45 pm. Other sports start at 4:15 pm or later.
	Is the School Improvement Plan finalized? Yes Heshoon for a while
	 Yes. Has been for a while. Is there a reason we wait until mid-January to start after school tutoring, instead of starting 2nd quarter? Yes: some of the 1st quarter curriculum is review, and because 2nd quarter is more challenging we get a better idea of which students need help; we have more testing data by the end of 2nd quarter; kids are involved in many activities and they need time to be kids, as opposed to being in tutoring six months of the school year.
	District Focus Group
	Ms. Moore wrote down notes from the district focus group she attended on December 14
	Budget Review
	No update this month

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	Principal's Report
	 Ms. Olson talked about a culture/relationship goal mandated by the state of Florida called project connect: each student is required to have one adult they can go to if needed. Elementary students can go to an elementary resource teacher. Middle school students can go to an elective teacher.
	Ms. Olson presented a summary of the School Improvement Plan.
	Good of the Group and Future Agenda Questions from parents: What will year-end testing look like this year? The FAST test will be used to measure if the school met the learning goals. This is not ideal because the test is brand new this year but we do the best we can with what we have.
	How does the school decide which students go to after school tutoring? Teachers can recommend students and we use the FAST test.
	Can the FAST test be given on paper? Right now it has to be on computer. Expect it to be available on paper in the future, possibly even at the end of this school year.
	Will the FAST test show student growth as the year goes on like i-ready?
	No, each of the three FAST tests covers different content so comparing the beginning of the year test to the end of the year test would not be "comparing apples to apples."
Adjournment	3:56 pm by Eric Smith
Next Meeting	January 31, 2023 – 3:30 pm (new time)
	POA Media Center/Microsoft Teams

Gene Eberhardt (SAC Co-Chair)

Submitted by