

**A. D. Henderson University School and FAU High School
School Advisory Council
November 14, 2007**

Marc Hopin called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

The following members and guests were present: Dr. Marla Brady, Debra Brooks, Allison Castellano, Handel Douglas, Michele Douglas, Drew Fantaccione, Mark Hopin, Thomas Ievoli, Alex Nachlas, Emely Skiff, Brianne Tuzzolino, Feliz Smolka, Randi Boike, Tracie Neiporte, Thomas Nieporte, Kris Moser, Doris Williams, Denise Platt, Kelli Ann Bloechinger, Patrice Shawe, Brittany Steele, Neal Patel, and Mark Matire.

A quorum of voting members was present.

Approval of the Agenda

Emely Skiff made a motion to approve the agenda; the motion was seconded by Patrice Shawe and approved by the Council.

Introduction

Kelli Ann Bloechinger was introduced as our new SAC member representing the community.

Request for Public Comment

The Chair asked if there were any requests for public comments. There were none.

Election of SAC Secretary

The Chair requested nominee(s) for the position of Secretary. Kris Moser volunteered to be considered and was elected unanimously into the position.

Student Report

Drew Fantaccione asked for follow up information on his previous request for OWL cards. Dr. Brady indicated that they were in the process of finalizing details with a vendor for ID cards.

Neal Patel mentioned that there were problems with the traffic patterns at the light during drop off and pick up. Dr. Brady indicated that she would follow up on the issue.

Approval of the Minutes

Allison Castellano made a motion to approve the minutes, with noted corrections, from the October 10, 2007 meeting; the motion was seconded by Mr. Ievoli and approved by the Council.

SAC Survey Update

Faculty Survey – The faculty received results highlighting areas of concern. Discussion took place regarding the timing of the survey for faculty and it was suggested that the administration consider doing the survey in the middle of the year.

Student Survey – The students were surveyed and overall the results were positive. The one consistent negative was the cafeteria.

Parent Survey – Survey committee was confirmed with the following members: Brianne Tuzzolino, Mark Matire, and Mr. Hardman. Discussion took place regarding doing the survey at natural progression points and whether or not to do the “mini” survey in the fall as SAC has done in past years. Marc Hopin moved that we do the fall survey and volunteered to tabulate results. Handel Douglas seconded the motion. All approved with one opposition.

School Improvement Plan (SIP) 2007 - 2008 – Dr. Brady

The data report was reviewed. Discussion took place regarding various forms of data analysis including pros and cons of different types of analysis and sources of data used. Some of the data on the data report was incorrect and will be modified for the next meeting.

Treasurers Report – Patrice Shawe

The Treasurers Report was reviewed. Handel Douglas made a motion to approve the report; the motion was seconded by Mr. Ievoli and approved by the Council.

Dr. Brady requested is working on setting up a remedial and enhancement tutoring program for grades 3-5 at a cost of \$9750. She requested \$4892 in SAC funds with remaining funding coming from internal funding sources. Allison Castellano made a motion to approve the funding; the motion was seconded by Emely Skiff and approved by the Council.

Annual School Budget

Deferred for discussion at a future meeting.

PTO and Ancillary Club Expenditures

Deferred for discussion at a future meeting.

Faculty Report

Specials: Getting ready for the Book Fair, PE Fitness program is up and running. The 7th and 9th grade band is getting ready for the Boca Holiday Parade on December 5th and the elementary chorus has a concert on December 13th.

Middle School and High School: Middle school has exams in December. Science Fair is coming up. The math team attended a conference. Physics day coming up for 7th through 9th.

Elementary: Family Building Better Readers on November 27th for K-3. FCAT tutoring is starting for 3rd through 5th.

Staff: Nothing to report.

Administration Report

-The school was invited to apply for Blue Ribbon status but we are actually not eligible until 2009.

-There was a nice article about Chris Boike and skating accomplishments.

-Student Amanda King is a state swimming finalist.

-Dr. Brady distributed information regarding data beyond the FCAT that is available from the State Department of Education.

-There is no real update regarding construction other than to say that everything is on track.

-Dr. Brady talked about FCAT lessons learned. She would like to see a “Reading as Rocket Science” approach to teaching reading in a scientific manner.

-1st quarter Honor Roll Breakfast will be scheduled soon.

-Dr. Brady took us on a tour of the reading resource room and explained how it is used.

Public Comment

None

Important Dates and Announcements – Marc Hopin

The next SAC meeting will be held on December 12, 2007.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Allison Castellano to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ievoli and approved by the Council. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.