

**A. D. Henderson University School and FAU High School
School Advisory Council
September 11, 2007 - DRAFT MINUTES**

Marc Hopin called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

The following members and guests were present: Dr. Marla Brady, Chrisencia Barzey, Debra Brooks, Allison Castellano, Handel Douglas, Michele Douglas, Drew Fantaccione, Mark Hopin, Thomas Ievoli, Alex Nachlas, Emely Skiff, Brianne Tuzzolino, Patrick Cazeau, Feliz Smolka, Daphne Smolka, Hank Ayotte, Tracy Fantaccione, Mike Thomas, Randi Boike, Tracie Neipote, 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 Brianne Tuzzolino and approved by the Council.

Request for Public Comment

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

Approval of the Minutes

Emely Skiff made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 9, 2007, and August 15, 2007 meetings; the motion was seconded by Handel Douglas and approved by the Council.

Student Report

Dr. Brady announced that Drew Fantaccione will be representing the 8th grade, Alex Nachlas will be representing the high school, and Patrick Cazeau will be representing the 7th grade.

Drew Fantaccione indicated that students were concerned about the OWL cards. He also mentioned that the clocks need to be re-set in the middle school building and said that the lockers by the PE courts are too crowded in the morning because elementary students are in the area waiting to go into the building.

Dr. Brady indicated that the school is exploring an alternative to the OWL card system and that a company has already been contacted to change the clocks in the middle school. She mentioned that she would observe the situation near the lockers to determine the appropriate course of action.

Treasurers Report – Patrice Shawe

The food items on the treasurer's report have not been resolved. Coach Thomas presented information regarding the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) and a proposal for organized early morning activity (PE for Life) in support of the School Improvement Plan – Action Plan Goal V. The program costs \$225.00. Allison Castellano made a motion to approve the expense; the motion was seconded by Mr. Ievoli and approved by the Council.

School Board Policy 2.30 – SAC Data Request Form

The School Board approved the proposed SAC Data Request Form. Mr. Hardman will be collecting the data.

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

Dr. Brady distributed the SIP for 2007 – 2008 with a few changes to the action steps.

In Action Plan Goal III, Action step 4 the language was changed to read “Implement Middle School math Initiatives”.

In Action Plan Goal V, Action Step 4, under the Person(s) responsible column “Parent Volunteers” was added.

Dr. Brady mentioned that Goal Statements will not be finalized until input is received from Ms. Hodge.

Mr. Ievoli made a motion to approve the proposed wording on the Action Steps; the motion was seconded by Ms. Barzey and approved by the Council.

Dr. Brady mentioned that there are some issues with impact being discussed in a statewide meeting that Ms. Hodge is on including changes to the high school graduation writing requirements, percentage gains required of schools (was 25%, proposed 50%), testing dates, status of the Florida Writes test, and the fact that support materials for FCAT will no longer be produced due to budget cuts.

Dr. Brady mentioned that the State is exploring the possibility of taking “A” money allocations and redirecting them to school budgets, which are facing shortfalls.

SAC Membership

The following parent member’s were nominated to fill the 5 two year and 1 one year terms up for vote. All nominees accepted the nominations.

Marc Hopin
Denise Platt
Deb Brooks
Kris Moser
Mark Matire
Randi Boike

Randi Boike volunteered to be considered for the one year position.

Since the number of nominees matched the number of positions open, Marc Hopin cast one vote in favor of all nominees.

Dr. Brady had announced the student members earlier. She mentioned that she had a lead on a community member.

The following members were nominated for officer positions. Due to lack of opposition, a vote was not required. All nominees accepted their appointments.

Chair: Marc Hopin
Vice President: Handel Douglas
Treasurer: Patrice Shawe
Corresponding Secretary: Brianne Tuzzolino

There were no nominations accepted for the Recording Secretary. This position will be discussed at the next meeting.

PTO Budget Approval

Hank Ayotte submitted the proposed PTO budget. A motion was made by Ms. Tuzzolino to approved the proposal; the proposal was seconded by Allison Castellano and approved by the Council.

School Board Policy 2.30

Reviewed the SAC Data Report. Data in section 6 was not accurate and will be revised for the next meeting. It was suggested that a section be added showing where we are with the 50% gains by demographic group.

Annual School Budget

Final budget is pending results of a survey regarding activity fees.

SAC Survey Update

Discussion deferred to next meeting.

Faculty Report

Specials: Getting ready for the Book Fair and Hispanic Heritage Month.

High School: Working on Academic AIMS. Pinnacle is up.

Middle School: Open house is scheduled for next week.

Lower Elementary: Working hard. Enjoying smaller class sizes.

Public Comment

None

Important Dates and Announcements – Marc Hopin

The next SAC meeting is scheduled for October 10, 2007.

Adjournment

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