

MINUTES

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

August 22, 2024 6:05 pm | Meeting called to order by Melanie Stern

In Attendance

Michelle Danowski, Melanie Stern Jessica Esposito, Yamilette Ronda-Velez, Lynzi Harris, Lena Rink, Erica Danke, Jordan Viergever, Danielle Barth, Martha Fleming, Samantha Koonce, Holly Clark, Josh Clark, Naomy Davila, Zobelda Helms, Amy Gierhart, James Gierhart, Laura Chiara, Jessica Kohler, Aimee Meurer, Della Zajda, Anna Malysheva, Cole Richardson, Krista Aloy, Victoria Pimlott, Dominic Soto, Sasha Carter, Amanda Harlow, Nayara Santana, Kristen Simpson, Brooke Epstein, Trevor Born, and Diana Born

Approval of Minutes

First meeting of the 24/25 school year, no previous minutes to review.

Principal's Update

- Dr. Gjini introduced herself and Melanie Stern as SAC Co-Chair and Mrs. Simpson as the new teacher SAC Co-Chair and SAC Secretary is Jessica Esposito
- Melanie Stern communicated what SAC is and how the council works within the school and teachers
- Melanie went through the demographics and the needs to voting members; we are in need of 2 voting members based on last years continuous involvement.
 - Current Voting Members:
 - 1. Kristen Simpson
 - 2. Melanie Stern
 - 3. Jessica Esposito
 - 4. Naomy Davila
 - 5. Yami Ronda-Velez
 - 6. Brooke Epstein
 - 7. Samantha Koonce
 - 8. Lena Rink
 - 9. Laura Chiara (new)
 - 10. Empty spot
 - 11. Empty spot

New Business

- Dr. Gjini spoke to our increase in growth and the challenges the school is currently working through.
 - Dismissal issues:
 - 1. First day issues was definitely an overload and we are now down to 35 mins in the dismissal car rider line
 - 2. Bus issues are being addressed and the district will be adding an additional bus

- Growth with classrooms:
 - 1. There have been upset parents on the long term subs. The school is committed to serve our students and working through getting permanent teachers for our kids.
- 10 day count:
 - 1. We are currently at the 10 day count, there are not any updates at this time but will update at the next meeting, if needed.
- SIP:
 - Goals:
 - 1. Excelling at our academics in small groups and challenge students and meet our students where they are.
 - 2. Having PTO help with outside extended learning for our teachers to better
- New Safety Rules:
 - Any gate must be locked and chained at all times. The guardian must be present at that gate to open. Beyond the Bell is an exception
 - Students and staff must wear an ID badge at all times.
 - Any parent that comes on campus, volunteer forms must be filled out 3 weeks in advance.
 1. You must have your ID in hand, a picture will not be accepted
 - Update on mesh lining on fence, it may be a little later due to house safety bill.

Next Meeting

Thursday, September 19, 2023, 6:00 pm - Freedom Elementary School Cafeteria

Motion to adjourn was made by Melanie Stern at 6:35 pm with a unanimous 2nd.