

March 12, 2018

Fellsmere Elementary

SAC Minutes

Meeting called to order at 3:44 pm. Mr. Chico seconded the motion.

SAC members reviewed and approved the minutes from the last meeting (February 2018). Ms. Gurklis motioned to approve the minutes; Mr. Chico seconded the motion.

Tunnel of Encouragement- The team reviewed the "Tunnel of Encouragement" that was held for students participating in the FSA writing exams. Students, faculty, and community members lined the breezeway while students paraded through and were showered with encouragement.

School Wellness Committee- Ms. Kimi Newborn informed the team about a few operations the Wellness Committee currently has going- healthy snack choices, nutritious lunch options, and the Fresh Fruits and Veggies Program. There are concerns about the overall physical health of our particular school community and the committee is doing its best to address these issues at school. The team discussed pre-testing snack options and the need for a hearty breakfast, especially on exam days.

ESOL and FSA Testing Report- ACCESS 2.0 Testing (state ESOL testing) was completed last week. The staff helped test 250 students and finished prior to the set deadline. FSA writes was completed last week.

Police Report- Chief Touchberry reminded the team of the various efforts the Fellsmere Police are taking to keep our school safe. There has been staff training, practice drills, tactical assessments, additional security measures, and police presence. The team discussed where parents would pick up students in case of an evacuation situation. Chief suggested this would be dependent upon the individual situation and factors present, but the old school site would be a good possible meeting place. Mr. Blanco explained he, Mr. E, and a district representative met with parents about security questions a few weeks ago and would like to set up another meeting to rally community support and unity. Mrs. Horton suggested possibly having staff members use the "parking permits" that were used last year for identification purposes.

Sidewalk Update- Chief also shared an update on the sidewalk project. They are hoping to build another from New York to Willow which would lead to the school. The SAC voted unanimously in favor of grant submission towards this project.

Ms. Gurklis motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:14 pm; Mr. Chico seconded the motion.