

Pelican Island Elementary School

SAC Meeting Notes

February 2, 2017

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 3:50 pm.

Members Present

See sign-in sheet.

Reading of Previous Minutes / Old Business

Tina Campbell made a motion to have the minutes read and approved from the last meeting (December 14, 2016); seconded by Jennifer Pattillo.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report was read by Mrs. Jobe.

- Current 2016-2017 school year total balance is \$5,737.38 (no changes).

School Updates

- Four concreteables will be moved from Beachland Elementary to Pelican Island in June for additional classrooms for the fall. One portable will be replaced with the concreteable, so three additional classrooms are expected to be filled.
- Berry Bon Bon is no longer a school partner. Discount coupons were being misused; coupons will no longer be distributed to allow for a friendly relationship to continue.
- Community School Updates:
 - Progress continues. Two community members were inducted; Jennifer Pattillo (SAC member) is the ambassador for Pelican Island community school.
 - A course on financial planning services will be offered by IRSC. The course will be free and consist of 3 - 1 hour sessions. Pelican Island families and the community will be invited to attend. Marketing will come. Incentives such as \$50 credit for opening an account after taking the course may be offered.
 - Community surveys suggested greater police visibility is desired. A police expo will take place in March.
- The greenhouse still needs repair. The hired company out of Florida only will travel for multiple services. Another local company is being sought.
- Cases of lice are appearing around the school campus.
 - A question was asked about whether parents of the other students in the class with a case of lice are notified. Mr. Kohlstedt replied that notification is not

obligated and would go against HIPPA/FERPA. Parent procedures on the health form is the designated protocol. If there is a classroom concern, the classroom is checked and clusters of students are checked. Sharon McCarty communicated she would like to be informed, if that was possible. Mr. Kohlstedt replied that the school takes proactive measures and mass lice checks are not allowed.

- 21st Century Updates:
 - Mrs. Seymour is the new coordinator. She hopes to bring additional structure and new enrichment programs to promote more students to join. The previous coordinator moved fully to be part of community schools.
 - Currently, there are 63 regularly attending students. Ninety are enrolled total, but do not attend regularly. A total of 120 spots are available and more enrolled at the literacy night event.
 - A summer program is in the works.
 - A question was asked about the 21st century grant as compared to community schools money. Mr. Kohlstedt and Mrs. Seymour replied that the money from the two entities are kept separate, but work together for services. Community schools grant is not fully in place, so the coordinator's salary is currently paid by the district's general fund with a supplement from the United Way grant. 21st Century teachers and materials are paid from the 21st century grant. Jennifer Patillo made the analogy to buckets – each is a separate bucket contributing to the same school.

School Choice

- School choice law states that all Florida districts must accept students in the school of choice, if spots available (minus a 10% buffer). Parents must provide transportation.
- Schools will be labeled as open or closed based on availability. Pelican Island will be labeled open and wants to grow, so the school continues to promote 21st century and environmental aspects.
- Magnet schools will no longer have a waiting list and will most likely not have availability.
- Current students at PIE on the opportunity scholarship from VBE or DTE may stay, if they choose, with transportation; if they wish to return to prior school, the school must have availability.
- School choice law begins in the fall, with the district setting the timeline. Parents wanting to attend a different school will submit a letter to the school. The school will approve or disapprove based on availability for the student to move schools; if not approved, the student must stay at the base school. Only one letter may be sent by parents.
- A question was asked about enrollment. Current enrollment is 467, but fluctuates. An additional 60 students could enroll with added concreteables.

- FTE money follows the student, so the school attended by the student will receive that money. Allocations of tax money are unknown.
- A question was asked about the effects of school choice on the amount of students late due to parents providing transportation. Mr. Kohlstedt replies that the school hopes to attract valuable families.

Other Information

- Sharon Klein communicated the success of Literacy Under the Stars night. There was a great turnout.
- ProKids show was appreciated and well attended, as well.
- Mrs. Jobe acknowledged a separate account holding \$239 that was previously set aside to purchase instruments. The instruments were purchased from another account, so that money is no longer needed. She asked whether the committee would prefer to return the money to the general account or leave in the separate account. The decision was not of urgency, so the discussion will be continued at the next meeting allowing time for members to consider the matter. A decision will be made at the next meeting.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 3:45 pm in the Media Center

Meeting Adjourned:

Kelsey Whelan motioned to end the meeting. Meeting ended at 4:19 pm on February 2, 2017.

Minutes recorded and typed by Kelsey Whelan on February 2, 2017.