

Sebastian River High School
SAC- School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes (08/31/15)

A. Meeting was called to order by Mr. Valencia at 3:35 p.m.

B. In attendance were:

Alan Kayser	Maureen Nicolace	Ron Rompot	Michele Holmes	Tim Cobb
Todd Racine	Enrique Valencia	Jessica Keaton	Joanne Holmes	
Carol Scaramuzzi	Amanda King	Paul Giordano	Kim Goyette	

C. The minutes of the May 18, 2015 were reviewed. One name spelling was noted to be corrected. Otherwise approved.

D. Everyone introduced themselves and Mr. Racine welcomed the new members.

E. Officers for 2015-2016 school year: CHAIR: Mr. Enrique Valencia was nominated by Mr. Kayser to again be chair. There were no other nominations. All voted unanimously for Mr. Valencia to continue as chair. RECORDER: Mr. Racine nominated Mrs. Maureen Nicolace as recorder. No other nominations. All voted unanimously for Mrs. Nicolace to continue as recorder.

F. Meeting Times and Dates: All agreed that the date of regular SAC meeting will be the fourth Monday of the month, 3:30pm.

G. Budget requests:

- The state has allocated \$8,857.35 for this year (not monies have been allocated), so we have \$17,900 total at this time.
- Ms. Keese- requested \$216.15 for dry erase boards, markers, wipe cloths to use in the classroom to improve student learning. Mrs. Nicolace moved to accept the motion. Mr. Rompot seconded the motion. Request passed unanimously.
- Mr. Racine- requested \$8,500 to pay for tutoring costs on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Tutoring will be available for the core subject areas: math, science, social studies and language arts. Tutoring is for credit recovery, EOC, and regular classroom work. The request is for the first half of the year and Mr. Racine may need to come back to SAC for additional funds in February 2016 depending upon the need for the program. Students receive a pass from the teacher to verify they were there for tutoring so that other students are not riding the bus. Mrs. Scaramuzzi motioned to accept the request. Mr. Kayser seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Ms. M. Holmes- samples of the remote control mouse have been ordered and will be brought to the Sept. 8th faculty meeting to see who needs a mouse and which one. She will come back to the September meeting with the formal request.

H. Copies of the Positive Climate and Discipline Code of Student Conduct were distributed, and Dr. Keaton reviewed key points with the group. Prevention and Intervention Practices saw fairly significant modifications, which includes reducing suspensions out of school-- which is an area of focus statewide. "Restorative Practices" is new to help work through issues that kids have instead of just suspending them with no resolution or way to work through the problem. Mr. Racine emphasized that discipline is not about consequences, it's about changing behavior.

I. Review SAC membership- Mr. Valencia reviewed the requirements for membership. Must report absences to the school because two unexcused absences constitutes possible suspension. Dr. Keaton noted that SAC membership is supposed to mirror the school population. For instance 40% of the school is Hispanic and 10% is African American, and the current SAC make-up is not reflective of the school population. Students are also welcome and encouraged. During first period at the September 3rd Open House will be the official voting for SAC members. Mr. Racine will announce about needing new SAC members during the Open House and will include it in the school newsletter. Membership needs to be finalized by the November 18th school board meeting.

J. School Improvement Plan will be reviewed during the September meeting.

K. Sharing-

Club Rush will be set up on September 9th during lunch period to learn about all the clubs.
Reminder that Open House is Thursday, September 3rd.
Lots of volunteer opportunities are available.
Had the best pep rally ever last Friday, so off to a spirited start!

L. Adjournment-- Mr. Kayser motioned to adjourn. Mr. Rompot seconded. Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.