

SAC

8/24/2016

For the new 2016-17 school year, the same members will be on the committee.

Approval of minutes for last meeting was all in favor 7/7 yea.

School Improvement Plan

Last year's goal was to increase in Math and ELA at 10% and the data has not been correlated with the state assessment scores. This year's SIP goal in Math and ELA for the FSA and FSAA test will not be a specific percentage but will be overall improvement. Looking at and monitoring growth everyday instead of a one testing day that can be a bad day or week for the students. There will also be a goal in decreasing behaviors monitored through code calls. The behavior goal will incorporate a professional development to train staff and parents in areas of behavior.

Communication

School website is up and running with rolling pictures of students and staff. You can click on the front picture and there will be more behind it for each event posted. We are going to add a school advisory page. The new newsletter is uploaded to the website and goes home quarterly to all students. A note was mentioned to the response of parent surveys to take suggestions throughout the year not just at the end of the year. A question was asked by a parent if any community members were part of the SAC committee. It was answered that while we have many community supporters, only families, teachers, teacher assistances and administrator are currently on SAC team.

Fundraising

Dates for the first annual art and plant sale will be 12/10/2016 located at Wabasso School. The art and planting will be hand done by all students of Wabasso put up for sale as a fundraiser. Cheesecakes will be baked for sale before winter break. Yearbook ads will be available for the publication of Wabasso's 2016-17 school yearbook. Families can put personal ads congratulating students for their achievements. The purpose of the ads is to offset the cost of giving each student and staff a free year book each year. We will be asking parents to sell 2 ads per family to offset this cost. Partners will also receive a year book as a thank you for contributing to Wabasso School throughout the year. Box tops are submitted twice per year. Last year's submission averaged around \$100 each time.

Principal Updates

Millage vote for August 30. The .5 mileages vote is a current tax in place that is up to renew via community voting. This tax has been in place for the last several years. It was actually at a higher rate, .6, which will be voted on to drop to .5. This money is approximately 8 million dollars the district gets for teachers, technology and training. Principal is urging to get the information out in the community about this vote and to go vote!

Projects and Grants

Johns Island Speak Up award was \$36,000 rewarding Wabasso School with iPads for students and teachers. Garden club president was a part of the Ed Foundations committees and noticed the gardening movement at Wabasso and encouraged her club members to adopt Wabasso as one of their projects. With great acceptance they were able to come over the summer and plant a visual learning lab with full landscaping around the outdoor lab with labels and all. Ed Foundations \$5,000 Bank of America grant to buy professional cooking equipment for the Phoenix Café was awarded.

Next grant opportunity is one for the transition program to convert a classroom into living learning lab. The lab will be set up like an apartment to teach socialization, independent and daily living skills.

Open Agenda

Susan Marx asked about SAC membership fee, which there are none. She also asked about what the fundraiser contributions are going to. Principal explained she will be making an itemized sheet as to what each fundraiser monies go to as they occur.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm and next meeting was set for October 19, 2016.