

Gifford Middle School SAC Minutes March 6, 2019

CALL TO ORDER. SAC Chairman Paul Tomlinson called the SAC Meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.

ATTENDANCE. The following members were present:

Tosha Jones, Principal
Liliana Barrett, GMS Staff
Jennifer Cummings, Community Representative
Debra Schroeder, GMS Faculty
Tracey Segal, GMS Parent

Paul Tomlinson, GMS Faculty and SAC Chair

MINUTES. Ms. Cummings moved to approve the Minutes of the February 6, 2019 meeting.

Ms. Segal seconded, and the motion carried.

PRINCIPAL UPDATES.

- GMS has applied for a Title IV grant to support students in the bottom quartile who are struggling with math and reading skills. The grant will pay for teacher salaries and bi-weekly after-school bus transportation for six weeks before FSA testing.
- Additional remediation is being conducted by teachers in their classrooms during SPLASH.
- The second schoolwide "Stop and Write" (SAW) was held today. The bell schedule was altered so that all students had a two-hour block of time in the morning to read a passage set, plan, write, and revise/edit an argumentative essay. This format simulates the FSA Writing environment. The Writing portion of the FSA is scheduled for April 2, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS.

After-School Busses. In November, 2018, SAC approved \$1500 to pay for an after-school activity bus.
 Principal Jones and the faculty would like a second bus for the six weeks prior to FSA testing.
 Ms. Segal made the following motion: If GMS does not receive the Title IV grant, SAC will fund a second bus to run on Mondays beginning on March 25 and going until April 29, 2019. The cost, at approximately \$50 per week, will be about \$300. Ms. Cummings seconded, and the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT. Ms. Jones moved to adjourn. Ms. Cummings seconded, and the motion carried. The SAC meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra Schroeder

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GMS ELA Teacher and SAC Secretary