

Sebastian River Middle School

School Advisory Committee 2013-14

The SRMS School Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting took place on Monday, October 28, 2013 at 3:45 pm. In attendance were: David Kramek- principal; Cynthia Emerson- assistant principal; Melissa Sleeper, Meredith Tatro, - teachers; Nancy Weiss, Caroline Maschoff, Halik Campbell and Denise Griffin- parents.

Mrs. Emerson shared that our SAC was not in compliance in the area of the group not matching the demographic percentages of our students, therefore, new members have been asked to join. Introductions were made and members were accepted. Ms. Maschoff asked about other parents attending the SAC meetings and it was shared that parents are always welcome to attend meetings.

The September minutes were approved. (motion: Mr. Kramek, 2nd: Mrs. Griffin)

Mr. Kramek passed out and shared information contained in a letter from Governor Rick Scott to the State Board of Education regarding PARCC testing, specifically to end Florida's fiscal agent relationship with PARCC. Mr. Kramek shared that Dr. Adams plans to hold meetings at the Richardson Center at IRSC to give updates regarding the direction the State of Florida will be taking in regards to standardized testing.

Discussion regarding a Valentine's Day dance to fund Cowboy Camp led to agreement that Mrs. Tatro would attend the PTSA meeting on October 29, 2013 to share the intent and level of involvement requested.

Mrs. Tatro shared that for the School Improvement Plan (SIP), the Math Department is focusing on using and monitoring RODEO time for remediation with students signing in and including the goal for their time in RODEO.

Mrs. Tatro gave out a copy of the SAC By-Laws. She explained that SAC, in previous years, had funded the cost of Cowboy Camp. Cowboy Camp is two day orientation for incoming 6th graders and their parents to become familiar with the SRMS campus and routines. This has been viewed as being very beneficial in relieving the anxiety that students and parents often feel when transitioning from elementary to middle school. Cowboy Camp will not be available for the 2014-15 school year without finding a way to fund the program. Some ideas discussed were: Valentine's Day Dance, possibly splitting fund raising with the PTSA, community supporters, and possibly having the PTSA become the future supporters of the Cowboy Camp. As a PTSA member, Mrs. Maschoff will bring these ideas up for discussion with the PTSA.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:58 pm.

