



Developmental Research School
at the University of Florida

P.K. Yonge Developmental Research School School Advisory Council

January 12, 2016

Member Attendance:

Jim Bice; Robin Gregory; Paul Manning; Mickey MacDonald; Meryl Klein; Michelle Grant-Harris; Michael Poole; Janie S. Williams; Jennifer Phegley; Lynda Hayes; Susan Cary; Diyonne McGraw; Osmara Salas

Member Absences:

Cathy Atria; Stephen Tucker; Angela Kohnen; Rosa Williams

Guest Attendance:

Julie Henderson; Paige Allison; George Pringle;

Meeting called to order by Diyonne McGraw at 5:30pm

AMENDMENT OF AGENDA

Motion to amend by Dr. Hayes Seconded by Janie Williams.

The question was called. Upon vote: Motion passed 13 – 0

Moved to amend the agenda for the January 12, 2016 SAC Meetings as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Meryl Klein Seconded by Michelle Harris

Moved to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2015 SAC Meeting as presented.

The question was called. Upon vote: Motion passed 13 – 0

CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE
PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Allison and Mr. Pringle expressed gratitude for the FCTM Conference. They talked about Marzano and showcased what the math department is doing as a whole. The presentation was very successful with many participants requesting their presentation information. Mr. Pringle could extend his stay to attend the presentation for the Florida Mathematics Presentation Awardee Association (FMPAA).

Mr. Miller and Ms. Yurko expressed gratitude for the funding to go to the NCTE Conference in Minneapolis. They presented on Equitable English Classroom and how they are preparing students for AP curriculum. Mr. Miller was invited to speak at the University of Oklahoma via Skype.

Ms. Barba express gratitude for funding registration and meals for the NCTE Conference and FAST Conference held in Tallahassee. She presented at the FAST Conference sharing ideas and representing P.K. Yonge with Ms. MacDonald. They presented a method for identifying and grouping students for tiered instruction.

REQUEST FOR CONFERENCE
TRAVEL FUNDS

Dr. Cordero withdrew her request for travel funds.



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STANDARDS BASED GRADING

Ms. Gabbard, Ms. MacDonald, and Ms. Henderson presented this inquiry initiative Copy of PPT are an addendum to the minutes.

PRESENTATION

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dr. Hayes shared Dr. Atria's report in her absence:

- We're an "A" school
- Winter concert season was a wonderful success – all of our vocal and ensemble groups (both audition and open enrollment) performed. This included an excellent show at Festival Disney.
- We had a "Welcome back" parade for Mazzy Jester. The parade was the idea of 2nd grade student, Colton Long. All elementary and 6th grade students lined the parade route, waved signs, and chanted, "Go Mazzy" with the Blue Wave Marching Band.
- FIRST Robotics Kick-Off event took place at UF this past Saturday - the team received their 'bag of parts' and learned about this year's challenge.
- MaxPreps and Army National Guard Tour of Champions presented a trophy to the girls' varsity volleyball team on Monday morning. 1 of 10 schools nationwide receiving this honor; #4 in the nation out of 13,000+ school teams.
- Girls' soccer is entering the district championship playoffs – boys will begin next week.
- Boys' and Girls' basketball teams are more than half way through their regular season
- *Beauty and the Beast* set is under construction and rehearsals are in full swing – the student-actors have already learned all their lines!
- Middle and high school counselors have begun the process of updating the course selection guide for 2016-2017 with registration to begin I nearly March. We plan to add Portuguese to our world language offerings.
- Haley Reeb will take over the front desk position vacated by the retiring Janice Nelson and Willie Powers III will assume Haley's general aide responsibilities this week.
- Speech and Debate team travelled to Ft. Lauderdale this past weekend for a competition and performed admirably. We will host a tournament this coming weekend at PK.
- Seniors are diligently working on their senior projects – we look forward to their presentations in the next month.
- Two of our instructors – Melanie Harris and Ross Van Boven were awarded their doctoral degrees during UF's December commencement ceremony.
- Harvard was on campus, yesterday, conducting interviews with specific invited juniors and seniors.
- We hosted College Goal Sunday this past Sunday and 29 families were in attendance – received assistance with completing the FAFSA and Florida Financial Aid Application.
- We will host the Secondary Admissions Information Session on Tuesday, January 19. We are excited about the new format – highlighting all the wonderful opportunities available to students in the secondary division. We will have student and parent speakers and many of our extracurricular and academic programs represented.
- 1:1 Chromebook information session for 7th, 8th, and 10th grade parents was held last week. We will begin issuing Chromebooks to these students next week as phase 2 of our 1:1 rollout.



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DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Dr. Hayes shared the following:

- P.K. Yonge’s Annual Newsletter was delivered to PKY families.
- Climate Surveys to prepare for PKY’s next accreditation visit will be emailed to PKY parents in March.
- FIRST Robotics Kick-Off is scheduled for Saturday, January 9th at the UF College of Engineering. PKY’s Roaring Riptide #4118 will be joined by other north Florida teams.
- Just like Harvard recruits interested candidates to apply to their university, P.K. Yonge is advertising and hosting a 6th-12th Grade Admissions Information Night on Tuesday, January 19th. Look for our signs around town.
- Attracting and Recruiting New Faculty: UF is now sponsoring on their Careers at UF website a hiring campaign for P.K. Yonge. The words for this campaign were derived from feedback solicited from “new to PKY” faculty. The PKY Faculty Policy Council has been working with the PKY Leadership Team to identify key characteristics and to update interview questions as a part of our hiring process.
- P.K. Yonge has been included in proposed new legislation to design and test a model for competency-based education with Lake and Pinellas counties. It is apparent that competency-based education will help to define the future of K-12 education and it is important for one of Florida’s lab schools to assist in designing and testing new models. At this point, PKY is in the research phase to develop a deeper understanding of competency-based education. To date we have identified many initiatives underway on our campus that aligns with and will support a competency-based education model—including Standards-Based Grading.

ADJOURN

Motion by Janie S. Williams

Seconded by Mickey MacDonald

Moved to adjourn the January 12, 2016 SAC Meeting at 7:12 pm/

The question was called.

Upon vote: Motion passed 13 – 0