

# February 20, 2024 School Advisory Council

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm  
Secondary Building, 1st Floor, Blue Wing

Called to order at 5:33pm

Introductions for Name/Role

MEMBERS	ATTENDANCE
Cinton Alford	Present
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Sarah Bell (4 and 5)	Present
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Rob Cox	-AB
Lori Dassa	-AB
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Nigel Newbutt	-AB
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Marisa Stukekey (6)	Present
Alisha Williams	Present
Janine Williams	-AB
Regina Wims	-AB

## Guests

- Jan Merritt
  - Brenda Breil
  - Katoya King -PTO president
  - Lisa Fabulich
  - Carla-Ann Brown
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  - Gabe Lee (FPC Chair Elect)
  - Sanil Nadar
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- I. Consent Agenda
  - A. November 2023 Minutes – No Changes
  - B. February 2024 Agenda – No Changes
- II. Principals' Update – *Dr. Pennypacker-Hill*
  - A. Pre-K at PK: Julia Turner & Jill Ozog working with K-1 and Administration on this process; hoping to level the playing field for these incoming students, would be able to level up students who are working at the kindergarten level; all Pre-K students would automatically move into kindergarten without having to reapply; hoping to begin with 20 students in a one-teacher + one-aide classroom; likely to begin in the art room and move art instruction into the learning communities; pre-k day would be 8am to 2:30pm and considering working with 2 groups for v-pk (morning and afternoon groups); lottery system would be utilized; have worked with BabyGator; conversations with Lassinger Center and Alachua and Levy Counties
    - 1. DCF exemption – done 😊
    - 2. Insurance – working on this now
    - 3. Early Learning Coalition – next step
    - 4. Attempting to open in August (TBD)
  - B. Research in Action Day (invited participants throughout the state); partnered with the Center for the Collaborative Classroom – focus on intervention and core instruction in literacy
  - C. Starting a Student Government in Elementary (looking at focusing on 4/5 LC with 6 Mayors) Focusing on leadership skills
  - D. Card and Button Company – Entrepreneur stream in Elementary – BOLO for flyer to support the group by purchasing cards/buttons
  - E. Student Data Update with Highlights
    - 1. Middle School Math at PM2 on FAST Test
    - 2. Winter EOC Geometry, US History, Biology
  - F. Cheers to Soccer Team headed to State!
  - G. Reminder that Canvas is the most current grade for families!
  - H. Graduation is May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at Philips Center Performing Arts
- III. Director's Update – *Dr. Brian Marchman*
  - A. 23-24 Budget Update (Building services and substitute teacher fund usage less than was projected in the fall semester)
  - B. Overhead Assessment (Initiative from UF President's Office; categories of funds and their allocation for usage)
  - C. A+ School Money is on the way (20 straight years of being an A school) money will be in acknowledgement of all faculty/staff in equal distribution.
  - D. Student Activity Fees – Changes must be approved by Board of Trustees (changes to be implemented in 2026 school year)
  - E. 6th Street Safety Updates – 5-lanes of traffic on 6<sup>th</sup> street; currently exploring the option of adding a round-about to help get cars in and out of PK more safely;

concerns about a lack of school zones in this area have come up, but a requirement for a specific number of incidents would indicate the need for a “school zone” from the county.

F. Bell Schedule and Balanced Schedule

1. Bell Schedule

- a. Elementary 8:00am
- b. Middle School 9:00am
- c. High School 9:10am
- d. Supervision to remain the same (7:30am)

2. Balanced Schedule

- a. We were chosen by DOE
- b. Summer 2025 would be the earliest implementation – with a slow start (possibly start a week earlier, etc.)
- c. Still only 180 days – breaks spread throughout the year instead of longer breaks at winter/summer
- d. A community town hall was suggested to bring in comments from the community

G. Salary Negotiations in CBA – representatives from faculty to review contracts

H. Gymnasium Update – construction for the gym should be expedited (design/build process – contractor will do both drawing and builds) 18 Million Dollar project coming soon! Summer site prep and construction start in Fall; opening gym in 2025-2026 school year

I. Gator Day in Tallahassee – thank you tour for those who helped with the gym

J. Holinski Family – Coming to speak to high school students to raise awareness about suicide and suicide prevention

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IV. Student Government Update – *Kate Bjorn and others*

A. Student Gov Committees

1. Staff Appreciation
2. Grade Level Competitions (improving school morale)
3. Raffle at the Family Picnic (funds to elementary student gov)
4. FASC Conference (FLA Association with Student Councils) joined last school year; presented first resolution this year for all schools to provide free menstrual products for girls; 1800 students to vote on this resolution
5. Morning Meeting Show with Elementary School Students
6. Volunteer Work – participated in Adopt a Family; participated with Gainesville Empowerment Zone to collect gifts for family – collecting over 200 items (toys, books, presents, diapers, etc.)
7. Outreach – A few members participate in Meet-and-Greets and tours for potential families and other UF faculty/staff/administration
8. Peer Counseling – working with PK faculty to work on restorative practices in the community, meeting monthly with faculty in crafting emails and having conversations with other groups

- 9. Senior Events – senior t-shirts, grab baskets, announcements, and social media
  - 10. Communication – working on creating a PKY Student Government Webpage for the public
- B. FASC has a meeting Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> where the schools will have final vote on our resolution; various workshops; attending for free using fundraising dollars that were raise
- C. Election Town Hall coming soon for Presidential Candidates
- V. Faculty Policy Council Update – *Chuck Commeret, 2023-2024 FPC Chair*
  - A. Working on fielding some of the concerns around changes coming forward (schedule changes and balanced schedule, etc.) creating a safe space for people to share how they are feeling about the changes
  - B. Gabe Lee is Faculty Policy Council Chair Elect (to be chair next school year)
- VI. Faculty Travel Requests (Current Balance \$10,656.88 at start; \$2,724.88 Balance at end of item “I”)
  - (Caps: in-state 1k, out-of-state 2k)
  - a. Brenda Breil, League of Environmental Educators in Florida (Requesting: \$500; Approved for up to \$500)
  - b. Sanil Nadar, National Institute of Antimicrobial Resistance Research and Education (Requesting: \$1,375; Approved for up to \$2,000)
  - c. Brian Moody, Florida Alliance for Art Educators (Requesting: \$692; Approved for \$692)
  - d. Kevin Fabulich, National Association of Economics Educators (Requesting: \$617.12; Approved for \$620)
  - e. Jan Merritt, Florida Council of Teachers of Mathematics (Requesting: \$480; Approved for \$480)
  - f. Ashley Pennypacker Hill, Southeast Conference on School Climate (Requesting: \$1,000; **Brian Marchman to use Administrative Travel Budget to Fund for \$1,100**)
  - g. Emily Eubanks, Southeast Conference on School Climate (Requesting: \$1,000; **Brian Marchman to use Administrative Travel Budget to Fund for \$1,100**)
  - h. Jalea Turner, American Educational Research Association (approved for \$1,989 in Sept 23) (Requesting: \$1,640; Approved for \$1,640)
  - i. Carla-Ann Brown, American Educational Research Association (approved for \$1,989 in Sept) (Requesting: \$2,000; Approved for \$2,000)
  - j. Leadership for Professional Learning Symposium, Chile
    - i. Jon Mundorf, (approved for \$2,000 in Sept 23) (Requesting \$2000, ... TBD – Dr. Marchman)
    - ii. Lisa Fabulich (Requesting \$2000, ... TBD – Dr. Marchman)
    - iii. Angie Gonzalez (Requesting \$2000, ... TBD – Dr. Marchman)
    - iv. Gabe Lee (Requesting \$2000, ... TBD – Dr. Marchman)
- VII. PKY Community Discussion
- VIII. Next Meeting Dates

- a. March 19 (if needed)
- b. April 16

**Adjourned at 7:08PM**

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