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# P.K. Yonge Developmental Research School School Advisory Council

**February 15, 2022**

**Member Attendance:** Lynda Hayes, Carrie Geiger, Angela Kohnen, Mickey McDonald, Carla-Ann Brown, Jennifer Greer, Marisa Stuke, Meryl Klein, Angie Gonzalez, Lida Rodriguez Andrade, Janie Williams

**Member Absences:** Brenda Breil, Wantanisha Morant, Rob Cox, Therese Marie Rigor, Cris Gentilman, Regina Wims

**Guests:** N/A

**Meeting called to order at 5:35 pm by Marisa Stuke**

## **APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER MINUTES**

- Motion to approve minutes by Carrie Geiger
- Seconded by Angela Kohnen
- Upon vote: Motion passed 8-0

## **APPROVAL OF JANUARY MINUTES**

- Motion to approve minutes by Carrie Geiger
- Seconded by Angela Kohnen
- Upon vote: Motion passed 8-0

## **FEBRUARY MEETING AGENDA**

- Motion to amend agenda by Carrie Geiger
- Seconded by Angela Kohnen
- Upon vote: Motion passed 8-0

## **Presentation/Discussion of Cognia Accreditation Recommendations**

- Based on feedback, several words to describe PK: love, community, family, creativity, surprising, fun, different, helpful, caring, opportunity, amazing, awesomeness, unpredictable, safety, partnerships, diverse, learning, inquiry, home, inspirational, and flourishing
- Themes about work at PK:
  - Innovative culture of collaboration
  - Strong culture of teacher inquiry
  - Project Lead the Way and Restorative Justice programs are quite impressive
  - Numerous partnerships established to enhance success
  - Actions aligned with our purpose statement
  - Personalization of courses through the Canvas Learning Management system is positive
  - Staff focuses on the whole child
- Future opportunities for continued growth and improvement include the following:
  - Continue efforts to link individual teacher inquiries to school goals
  - Extend engagement of all stakeholders in improvement planning and goal setting



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- Work toward developing a comprehensive system with stakeholders on longitudinal data analysis (recognizing that these efforts have been most recently disrupted by the impact of the pandemic)
- Leverage and extend work underway in multi-metric data analysis to examine impact of innovative practices on student learning, improvement initiatives, and outcomes
- Work toward a robust, integrated K-12 career and college planning program for all students
- Exemplary Practices:
  - Practices for hiring and retaining staff
  - Availability of resources to support curriculum, programs, and needs of students, faculty, staff, and the institution
  - Supervision and evaluation of faculty to improve instructional practices and organizational effectiveness
  - Equitable opportunities for students
  - Professional learning opportunities and programs promoting collaboration and collegiality to improve performance and organizational effectiveness

### **Update on Outdoor Learning Committee**

- Representative multi-stakeholder group working to gather information since 2019
- The group has met several times about various funding sources to provide proposed design concepts around PK
- Working on getting possible bids for cloth covers over the PAC area, plants/trees, outdoor seating, a meditative garden
- Renee Andrews and the Ecco club have been working on a tree planting plan in collaboration with the UF approved tree list and the landscape architect.

### **FACULTY POLICY COUNCIL UPDATE – Mickey Macdonald**

- Meetings to draft the 22-23 calendar will be ready to share in March; 22-23 bell schedule may be modified to add a snack break for 6-12 grades
- 22-23 school year will start on 8/10/22
- The 22-23 schedule will again include the three weeks of winter break including the week of teacher planning/professional learning after the 2 weeks of winter vacation

### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Carrie Geiger**

- Girls Soccer Regional Final tonight @ PKY
- 3 "Odyssey of the Mind" teams going to state
- "Little Shop of Horrors" performance starts tonight and runs through Saturday
- The admissions process for 22-23 has already begun

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Lynda Hayes**

- Construction continues on the elementary pe court. Has been delayed by HVAC delivery.
- Conversations in play to get the construction of the gym started
  - \$ 2 million fundraising goal for construction



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- Dr. Brian Marchman has begun some preliminary meetings with Dr. Hayes and administration in preparation for the hand-off
  - He will be asked to join the March and April SAC meetings

## **ADJOURN**

- Motion to adjourn the February 15, 2022 meeting by Janie Williams
- Seconded by Angela Gonzalez
- Upon vote: Motion passed 9-0
- Meeting was adjourned at 6:01 pm