

# April 16, 2024 School Advisory Council

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Secondary Building, 1st Floor, Blue Wing

Called to order at 5:35pm

Roll Call for Members

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE</b>
<b>Cinton Alford</b>	-AB
<b>Tish Andrews-Hawkins (8)</b>	Present
<b>Sarah Bell (4 and 5)</b>	Present
<b>Chuck Commeret</b>	Present
<b>Rob Cox</b>	Present
<b>Lori Dassa</b>	-AB
<b>Carrie Geiger</b>	Present
<b>Jennifer Greer</b>	Present
<b>Hakeem Hasan</b>	Present
<b>Ashley Pennypacker-Hill (7 &amp; 3)</b>	Present
<b>Meryl Klein</b>	Present
<b>Brian Marchman</b>	Present
<b>Brian Mathien</b>	Present
<b>Megan Miller</b>	Present
<b>Wantanisha Morant</b>	Present
<b>Nigel Newbutt</b>	Present
<b>Caley Rappa</b>	Present
<b>Erin Scarborough (10)</b>	Present
<b>Marisa Stukey (6)</b>	Present
<b>Alisha Williams</b>	Present
<b>Janine Williams</b>	Present
<b>Regina Wims</b>	-AB
<b>Destini Williams (student rep)</b>	Present

## Guests

<i>King</i>	<i>Gamble</i>	<i>Scarborough</i>	<i>Meeker</i>	<i>Thomas</i>
<i>Perez</i>	<i>Flavin</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Webb</i>	<i>Lopez</i>
<i>Moran</i>	<i>Huehul</i>	<i>Keller</i>	<i>Bjorn</i>	<i>Neanour</i>
<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Taebel</i>	<i>Howard</i>	<i>Lopez</i>
<i>Alday</i>	<i>Fiorello</i>	<i>Troxel</i>	<i>Troxel</i>	<i>Cheek</i>
<i>Weller</i>	<i>Weller</i>	<i>Eubanks</i>	<i>Santiago</i>	<i>Dean</i>
<i>Greer</i>	<i>Hayes</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Koppitch</i>	<i>Dawson</i>
<i>Richardson</i>	<i>Rimblas</i>	<i>Archer</i>	<i>Archer</i>	<i>Clemment</i>
<i>Flavin</i>	<i>Perry</i>	<i>Jones</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>Reitz</i>
<i>Montgomery</i>	<i>Geupi</i>	<i>Velthom</i>	<i>Kragiel</i>	<i>Knoll</i>
<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Spradley</i>	<i>Kohnen</i>	<i>Poekert</i>	<i>Gramer</i>
<i>Duncan</i>	<i>Barne</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>	<i>Flournoy</i>	

- I. Consent Agenda
  - A. February 2024 Minutes – No Changes
  - B. April 2024 Agenda – No Changes
- II. Student Government Update – *Destini Williams*
  - A. Introduction of New President (Destini Williams), Vice President (Elliott), and 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Representative (Harper)
  - B. Review of this year’s commitments within the school community
  - C. Looking forward to introducing Elementary Student Government this week
- III. Faculty Travel Requests:
  - A. SAC has met the \$40,000 budget for faculty travel in 2023-2024 School Year. The following requests will be paid from the next school year’s travel budget or from other funds as specified:
    1. Santiago, FFLA – Funded on 2024-2025 SAC Budget (\$578.00)
    2. Santiago, AP Annual Conference – Funded out of Operations Budget per Dr. Marchman (\$1,867.00)
    3. Hasan, AP Annual Conference – Funded out of Operations Budget per Dr. Marchman (\$525.00)
    4. Weller, NCTM – Funded on 2024-2025 SAC Budget (\$1,928.00)
    5. Bennett, Screen Printing Experience – Funded out of Foundational Accounts per Dr. Marchman (\$1,487.95)
  - B. Moving forward, the budget will remain at least at \$40,000 for faculty travel with the in-state maximum at \$1,000 and out-of-state maximum at \$2,000. This may need to increase in the future.
- IV. Communications Update – Brand Refresh – *Emily Eubanks*
  - A. The PKY Brand and Logos are moving to the UF Colors as designated by the UF Brand Center.

- B. The PKY Website is also getting a new design – as the current website platform is no longer supported. (Will include a story-based public-facing side and more centralized “for internal use” side ... both will be visible to visitors in/outside of PKY community).
- V. Faculty Policy Council Update – *Chuck Commeret*
  - A. A+ Money came in and was distributed to all faculty/staff that were part of the PKY Community last year
  - B. The Shared Governance Meeting – held a few times each year – is set to occur on April 24<sup>th</sup> – faculty will be provided a climate survey to provide feedback to leadership before the end of the semester so there is time for planning and changes over the summer before the start of the academic year
- VI. Principals’ Update
  - A. *Dr. Geiger*: Secondary’s Valedictorian and Salutatorian were posted on Social Media!
  - B. *Dr. Pennypacker-Hill*: The 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade learning community will welcome the Student Government Reps tomorrow to chat about joining Student Government; Pre-K met with the accrediting body and is in the process of applying to the State Portal; Pizza by the Creek – K-1 Community – is coming up next week; Crossing the Creek is coming up for 5<sup>th</sup> Graders in May!
- VII. Director’s Update – *Dr. Brian Marchman*
  - A. 2023-2024 Budget Update (will be on track for coming in below budget)
  - B. Overhead Assessment (Initiative from UF President’s Office; categories of funds and their allocation for usage; will increase next year from 600K to 796K)
  - C. A+ School Money was distributed as noted above
  - D. 6th Street Safety Updates – Andrew Meeker Project Manager is initiating discussions with the city of Gainesville and an Engineer to come up with possible solutions - data collection has been in progress and will continue to be on-going
  - E. Bell Schedule and Balanced Schedule – *Gabe Lee*: shared a rough draft of the calendars to help demonstrate the possible new calendars with a balanced school year – essentially one-week breaks would be built into the schedule at the end of each term – the balanced schedule would be phased into place over the next few years – **ACTION ITEM: This item to be added to the September SAC Meeting Agenda for Discussion and Public Comments**
  - F. Activity Fees: Student Activity Fee increases are going through approval processes with the Board of Trustees
  - G. Gymnasium Update – construction for the gym has been paused, progress on this project is dependent on decisions surrounding high-school admissions
  - H. High School Planning Process (2025-2026) – At the March Board of Trustees Meeting, UF had tasked Penny Schwinn with proposing ideas for increasing PKY school rankings – She proposed 3 options: first, to rely on the success of PKY and the progress they have made thus far; second, to implement a selective admissions process and admit students using high academic standards like

grades, GPA, test scores, or teacher recommendations; third, create a dual program like International Baccalaureate programs at other schools and run two separate programs simultaneously.

VIII. PKY Community Discussion

- A. Norms were set: sign up to speak so you can be called in order, 2-minute time limit, respectful discourse, and please state your affiliation with the school
- B. 13 Community Members Spoke
- C. Concerns over the selective admissions option were shared:
  - 1. Loss of the sense of community and belonging
  - 2. Loss of self-confidence and self-worth for students asked to leave
  - 3. Loss of the sense of continuity and safety for our students
  - 4. Loss of friendships and relationships (very important for developing youth)
  - 5. Loss of the mission of the school with regards to teacher inquiry and research
  - 6. Loss of the dedicated families and staff that support the PKY Community
- D. Questions about this process were also introduced:
  - 1. How will the decision be communicated?
  - 2. Who is going to tell the students? How will the message be conveyed?
  - 3. Who should we speak to about this process?
  - 4. Could UF consider a second charter school?
  - 5. How long has this discussion been going on at the governing levels before it was shared widely?
  - 6. If we are still trying to catch up students who fell behind with COVID, how would we address that when students are not performing well?
  - 7. Can these comments be taken up to the Board of Trustees, the UF President, and Penny Schwinn?

**Adjourned at 7:00PM**

Next meeting dates: (2024-2025)

September 10

*October 8 if needed*

November 12

February 11

*March 11 if needed*

April 8