School Advisory Council meeting Feb. 18, 2014

Meeting called to order at 5:45, Dr. Allison presiding. SAC members present: Paul Manning, Lynda Hayes, Eileen Oliver, Cathy Atria, Carrie Litchfield, June Allen, Kathy Olmos, Deborah Hill, Tomasz Debicki, Paige Allison.

Guests present: Gary Boulware, Tom Dana, Susan Cary.

- 1. Motion to approve agenda by June Allen, second by Carrie Litchfield. Agenda approved with correction: Change approval of "December" minutes to "January" minutes.
- 2. Teacher request of Funds: Gary Boulware requested funding to attend The Florida Political Science Conference and Annual Meeting March 7-8, 2014 in Flagler, Florida. Dr. Boulware shared the importance of keeping current within his field, which helps him remain relevant for his students. Dr. Oliver questioned the funding abilities of the SAC at this point in the year. Dr. Hayes granted an additional \$2,000 for educator travel to the SAC budget. Dr. Oliver motioned to approve funding the conference up to \$500, second by Deborah Hill. Motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Motion made by Cathy Atria to approve minutes with correction noted, second by Eileen Oliver. Minutes approved unanimously with amendment.
- 4. Student Parking Permits Report by Tomasz Debicki, with Student Government, about the student reflections on paying for parking permits. A student survey was conducted with 96 students responding. Conclusion stated: That students would be willing to pay up to \$20 with student input on how the funds would be spent. Question was raised whether it is legal. Dr. Hayes relayed information from General Counsel that since it is not an activity, but a privilege, so that is allowable. Fees collected need to be directly related to parking lot expenses. Question was raised about the cost to maintain the parking lot. No specific amount was determine, with an explanation that the expenses exceed amounts raised by student parking fees. Motion made by Paul Manning to keep the fees for student parking at the current rate of \$40. Parking fees will be used to offset parking expenses with a commensurate budget made available to the student government to prioritize school improvement needs. Second by June Allen. Motion passed 7 to 3. Dr. Atria requested that it be noted that this vote represents a recommendation to Administration.

5. Subcommittees:

- a. By-Laws Subcommittee: Questions were raised regarding the discussion in February and the proposed changes. Confusion was shared over what changes the committee agreed to or did not. Barbara Wingo, from General Council, did not respond to questions raised. June Allen made a motion to table the vote until next month. Second by Eileen Oliver. Motion approve unanimously.
- b. Academic Program Subcommittee: Committee met and began work on Climate Survey. Survey will be distributed next month.
 - Tomasz Debicki reported on a survey given to students about academic rigor. An open forum for students was conducted. Student class presidents also asked individuals in English classes randomly surveyed individuals. Students overall stated that PKY is too easy, including specific overall conclusions. Report attached. Dr. Allison stated the concern that all students were not represented in the sampling. Further discussion culminated in the need to add rigor questions to the climate survey.
- c. Activity Fee and Budget Subcommittee: Committee met on Wednesday briefly. Committee renewed their focus to determine tasks for this year.
- d. Communication Task Force: A meeting was scheduled with a phone home soliciting membership. No one attended. Another meeting will be scheduled next month with a phone home.

6. Principal's Report:

- a. Robotics club getting ready for competition.
- b. High School Course registration ready.
- c. 6th and 9th grade shadowing on-going.
- d. New benches were installed in locker rooms and new doors on the bathroom stalls. A problem with benches interfering with locker doors was noted.

7. New business

- a. School Safety Plan Dr. Hayes requested that we table this until next month since the document was not available for preview.
- b. Distribution of School and Activity Fees Budget Dr. Hayes distributed the budgets and will send another copy electronically for next month's discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:23.