



Monarch High School
School Advisory Council (SAC)
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday – December 14, 2021
4:00 PM

Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 4:11 pm

Introductions

There were no new introductions.

Principal's Report

Mr. Neer reviewed the Accountability Funds account.

Accountability Funds Balance

Beginning Balance \$59,308.56
SAT Tutoring - Salaries \$1,244.69
SAT Tutoring – Supplies \$3,149.00
Ending Balance \$54,914.87

Mr. Gard presented information regarding the status of the SAT program. Attendance is low but the focus will now be on the students that need the concordant score for Reading and Math and the 11th grade students that will be taking the test in March.

Other grants have written with Pandemic money to increase student achievement. Programs include afterschool tutoring in Reading and Math. Supplies have also been purchased for the teachers to use with the students.

Midterm exams are this week. The week is a full week. It has to do with FTE. Students need to attend school on these days. Final exams are taken now. When we return to school on January 3, 2022, we will still be in the second quarter. The first day of the third quarter is January 12, 2022. Most teachers use this time to do prework for third quarter or review skills.

The Band concert was phenomenal. Lyons Creek Band was here. The middle school band was great. Mr. Hammond does a great job with the students. Some of the students do attend Monarch when they matriculate to high school.

Winter sports are in full swing and include basketball, soccer, wrestling, and competitive cheerleading.

We had our Pep rally last week. We had 2 pep rallies, an underclass pep rally, and a senior pep rally. Both were well attended by the students. The Band and the Cheerleaders participated in both events.

The Caribbean Association hosted a presentation for their club members. Ms. Allison Hinds, a British born Bajan singer presented to the students. She has been given the name the Queen of SOCA. The presentation was very informative.

School Accreditation Standards – Standard #3: Teaching & Assessing for Learning

This focus this month is on Indicator 3.2: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment are monitored and adjusted systematically in response to data from multiple assessments of student learning and an examination of professional practice.

Dr. Miller presented the following information - We are now engaged in midterm exams, even though the exams are a culmination of the first semester, teachers still use the data to adjust instruction. We are also using other points of data. For example, the 12th grade students are taking the Civics exam, this is a good opportunity for the teachers to review information with the students that are not successful. There will be opportunities to retake the assessment. The assessed areas (Reading, Language Arts, Math, Biology and US History) are still working on Common Assessments. The teachers constantly meet to discuss student data.

Unfinished Business

Approval of Meeting Minutes of SAC from November 9, 2021. Minutes for November were approved.

New Business

There is no new business.

For the Good of the Cause

A parent asked the question regarding grades for students who have not had a teacher all year. We are paying attention to this issue and will make the necessary adjustments.

Ms. Sargis wants the school to reiterate the homework policy to the teachers as we approach Winter Break. Dr. Sweeting-Miller will send the information out to the teachers.

The program for our Cambridge Diploma night is being planned. Once the date is determined the school would send information to the parents.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:56 pm.