

Atlantic West Elementary School

Title One School

Shereen R. Reynolds, Principal

School Advisory Council/ School Advisory Forum (SAC/SAF)

March 9, 2020

6:00 PM in the Media Center

Minutes

1. Welcome and introductions of Dr. Cooper – Ms. Oppy opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Ms. Reynolds Introduced our new Assistant Principal, Dr. Cooper.
2. Review of Minutes - Review of minutes was completed. Motion to accept the minutes by Ms. Dittmeier. Second from Ms. Oppy.
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3. School Improvement Plan - Ms. Oppy explained our School Improvement Plan. The plan can be found on our school website. Ms. Oppy reviewed BEST Practices #1 and #2 that are included in the SIP. #1. - a focused and authentic PLCS and #2. An embedded high quality RTI process. Ms. Oppy asked for any recommendations for next year's SIP. None were suggested at this time. Our school wide initiatives for improved achievement include UFLI, Imagine Learning, Grade level Standards Focus and Monitoring Growth. Ms. Maragh asked, "how do we know if the initiatives are working?" Mr. Velasco wanted to add that parents should get more information about what is happening at the school, possibly in the morning before school. Ms. Maragh asked about having another math night like we did in the past.
4. School Accountability Funds

- a. Presentation for allocation of funds – Ms. Reynolds asked to use funds to pay the teachers to work the FSA tutoring hours after school.
 - b. vote – The vote passed
5. Introduce the new information from the State Legislation – The state has new standards called B.E.S.T. standards. Next year, K and 1 will be introduced to the new standards. The new standards will reduce the time students and teachers spend on state tests. The BEST standards are developmentally appropriate and clearer for everyone to understand. The first new assessment will be in Spring 2023.
6. Surveys - The survey window is March 2 – April 4. We need 20% of our parents to complete the survey. Mr. Velasco volunteered to pass out fliers to the parents in the morning in the carline.
7. Select a nominating committee for next year – The nominating committee consists of 3 members – at least 1 of the current elected officers. Ms. Maragh asked, “How do you become a member?” Ms. Oppy explained the election process and the SAC positions for parents.
8. Principal’s Report – Ms. Reynolds explained the construction in the back PE court for the shade. We are waiting for the final inspection. Afterschool camps for grades 3-5 will begin this week for 12 days for grades 3-4 and 14 days for grade 5. Ms. Reynolds encouraged the parents to use the online curriculum at home – Reading Plus and Imagine Math. We received some new laptops last week. Ms. Reynolds asked if the parents like the weekly Robocalls every Sunday. Another grandma said that she likes the robocalls because it gives her all the information that she needs for the week. We had our Kindergarten roundup last week. Ms. Reynolds requested that the parents talk to other parents in the community to register their children who are starting Kindergarten.
9. Title 1 Report none at this time.

10. SAF Report none at this time

11. SAF presentation – University of Florida Literacy Institute –
Colleen Pollett presented how to help your child read at home. She introduced 3 different websites (Colorin Colorado! for bilingual families, Start With A Book.org, Reading Rockets.org) for families to use to support their children with reading. The best thing that parents can do to help their children is to read to them. A parent asked for us to post the websites on our AWE website. Colleen also explained the UFLI James Patterson Literacy Challenge and their partnership with Atlantic West Elementary.

Our next meeting is Monday, April 6th at 2:40 pm Ms. Dittmeier motioned to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Reynolds seconded the motion.