



APOLLO MIDDLE SCHOOL

LET'S GO ROCKETS! • DR. LOUIS KUSHNER, PRINCIPAL

School Advisory Council (SAC) 2023-2024

August 30, 2023 5:00PM - 6:00PM

Location: Media Center

Dr. Louis Kushner, Principal

Mr. Damon Martin, SAC Liaison

Mrs. Danairy Perez and Mrs. Fenoune Sainvil, SAC Co-Chairs

Minutes

1. **Welcome**

Mrs. Perez welcomed everyone to the first SAC meeting of 2023-2024

Ms. Suares motioned for the meeting to start at 5:04 pm

a. Introductions

Mrs. Perez introduced everyone and remarked that remarked that the bylaws are in place for a smooth running of the meetings. She thanked the attendees for their support last year and mentioned some of the things that were voted on and became a reality.

b. SAC bylaws

- o The attendees were asked to review the bylaws and there was a discussion regarding who is needed to make a full complement of officers and members for Apollo Middle's SAC.
- o The attendees voted for Mrs. Perez and Mrs. Sainvil to be co-chairs of SAC.
- o The Robert's Rule of Order was discussed.

2. **General Information SAC/SAF (School Advisory Forum)**

Throughout the year, there will be continuous updates on the School Improvement Plan(SIP)

3. **Accountability funds**

- a. (\$21, 583.00). Additional funds have not been released as yet.

4. **Approval of SAC Meeting Minutes**

The minutes were read, and a correction was made to adjust the number of days available to buy uniforms from 4 to 3. Approval was moved by Mr. Pigan.

5. **Principal Updates**

- o Dr. Kushner remarked that he is proud to be Apollo's principal.

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- The number of students currently enrolled is 1177 which is 86 over the projected number. If this number is maintained, then there will be funding for 3 additional teachers.
- SESIR Data: Apollo ended the year with 82 incidents.
- No cell phones during instructional time (state mandate).
- Broward District has voted and approved that a minor fight is a 9-day suspension; a major fight is 9 days as well. If the parent agrees to an alternative location, then the 9 days would be reduced to 5 days. However, the second time will result in an expulsion packet being started. If there is a third fight involving the same student/s then it is an automatic expulsion.
- With regards to state assessments, Math, ELA, and Science proficiency increased from 2022 to 2023. Civics proficiency decreased. The informational grades will come out in November. The achievement levels for each subject area were just set but need to be approved by the state.
- Writing will now be a new category in state assessments. It used to be a part of ELA score.
- Beautification for the media center has completed and everyone will be invited to the ribbon cutting.
- The roof and air conditioner projects are still under construction.
- Apollo still has \$24,000 to spend on projects.
- On Thursday August 31, 2023, there will be the 6th grade Open House. The 7th and 8th grade Open House will be on September 7, 2023.
- There is a new traffic pattern in place for dismissal.

Title one updates

Parents are invited to parent engagement events to be held each month immediately after SAC meetings. The calendar was displayed.

- There was a request for parents to attend Title I parent training academy workshops. They are virtual except for the Annual Parent Seminar at the Signature Grande and for the Spring STEM Fest and FLL Executive Airport.
- There will be two Parent Nights immediately before the two Open Houses.

6. Upcoming dates
Open House and SAC dates

Mrs. Sainvil

7. Open Discussion

Mrs. Sainvil



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- The attendees had questions regarding the new traffic pattern. Dr. Kushner ably responded to the questions.
 - Mr Pigan discussed the Debate program.
 - Dr. Kushner is exploring a college credit course to be offered on Apollo's campus. The discussion with Broward College is in an early phase.
8. Meeting adjourned
Ms. Bailey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:57 pm.