# Coral Springs Middle School School Advisory Council Minutes for the meeting held on January 22nd, 2025 5:00 PM in Room 181 and via Microsoft TEAMS

- 1. Meeting called to order and attendance at 5:05 pm
- 2. Review Minutes: Minutes were reviewed for the December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meeting. However, they were not ratified as quorum was not met. This item was tabled until the meeting on February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

#### 3. Department Reports:

- a. Math: Mr. Creary- We completed our PM2 testing in December prior to winter break and rolled right into the iReady Mid-Year diagnostics immediately after winter break. We will begin or continue to have student data chats after the iReady Diagnostic window closes on Friday, January 24, 2025. We will then analyze student growth both using iReady and PM2 Data. As an update, we will be using iReady printed materials to supplement lessons or remediate students. We will also continue to use and assign iReady lessons on computers. So far, as we've expected, lower scores were in the areas of Data/Statics and Geometry. Those units are scheduled to be taught after the diagnostic. I apologize again for my absence. I am currently in a 40-hour course that I am required to take for the district.
- b. ELA: Meredith Geraci- In ELA, some classes are finishing up the iReady diagnostic and having data chats with students about their PM2 and/ or iReady scores. Students in Language Arts and Creative Writing are also getting ready for the district Literary Fair. We have a lot of students writing poems, short stories, essays, and other literary pieces in the hope that we will receive recognition at this year's Literary Fair. Submissions are due in February and judging will take place in March. ELA teachers are continuing to move through ELA reading and writing standards to make sure that students are ready for the writing test in April and PM3 in May.
- c. **Reading:** Shari Kraut- Reading teachers are completing our mid-year testing. We are seeing incredible growth, and we are even able to discuss exiting some from reading. We will use this data to move forward to reconfigure our groups and remediate necessary skills to aid growth and improvement. Literacy Week is next week, and the school will celebrate by having Spirit Week. All is great in the Reading Department!

- d. **Social Studies**: Betty Opthof- Our civics teachers have started analyzing the data for PM 1 & PM 2 in civics. We are looking for the lowest common benchmarks tested to begin creating our civics camps or extra help. Planning for the 4th quarter will depend on our students' data on the BSA. The window for this exam will run from March 3rd to the 20th. Our 8th-grade U.S. History students visited JA Finance Park at the beginning of the month. Most students enjoyed their visit. Although, the program has omitted the budgeting portion of the experience. Moving forward, we would like to create an inhouse addition to the lesson to incorporate this key component. 6th-grade students are celebrating the Chinese New Year on Jan. 29th, and activities for the unit on India include food samplings. The BSA on March 19. Civics EOC May 21st (revised).
- e. **Science**: Mrs. Henningson- Jen and Seema will be having a professor from UF come speak to the kids about classifications of sharks based on teeth and with an AI integration component. The Heal the Planet Ladies will finish with us on 1/27. They provided a hands-on learning experience for our students designed to connect them with nature, our planet, and their place in it. The SEED Program takes a holistic approach to addressing ecological awareness, sustainability, mindfulness, identity, worthiness, and the power of choice. Quarter 2 data for science looks awesome. 69% proficient on the MOY (old BSA- science and biology) on February 27th. IXL is free for the rest of the year for Science. All competing HOSA kids will be attending a conference on Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025. HOSA kids who did a preliminary test last week all passed!!! They tested Dynamic decisions in medicine, medical terminology, vet science, and life-threatening situations.
- f. Electives: Mr. Dadas-

**Mrs. Sousa's Art Classes**: We had winners for the Coral Springs in Mrs. Sousa's Art classes win the Martin Luther King Art Contest!! Winners!!!

- Adien Coon 7th grade 1st place
- Patricio Donoso 6th grade 2nd place
- Thomas Seale 6th grade 3rd place

**Mr. Creary's Technology Classes**: All three classes are just about ready to test. I am working out the Certiport (Testing site) issues with 16 of my students. I then am awaiting the dates and proctors for testing.

Mrs. Naik's Robotics: Teams are competing today for the BCPS League competition, and 5 are competing this Saturday at the Pinecrest School. Last week, CSMS' team 50674M won the 3 highest awards: Excellence, Robot Skills Champion, and Teamwork Champions. This team will be competing at the Regional Competition in Miami in March.

**Ms. Thomas' Theatre**: Students are rehearsing for the Florida Jr. Thespian State Festival taking place from February 13th-15th. We are also excited about our upcoming field trip to see the Broadway Tour of The Lion King. As well as our spring musical auditions the week of February 17th. These auditions are open to any CSMS student.

**Ms. Ramirez Sports**: The volleyball season has ended. We did not make it to the playoffs this year. Flag football is in full swing against West Glades tomorrow. Floorball and track and field are up next.

Service of Day and Love- We want to thank PTA for funding our activities.

- **Mr. Dadas' Yearbook Students:** These students are busy planning the portraits and marketing plan for our Yearbook. Our Creative Writing and Cambridge ELA students are writing pieces for the District Literary Fair. The three categories include Prose, Poetry, and Interpretative. In addition, several students are working on two essay contests including the Mayor For Day and Black History contest.
- g. **ESE**: Mrs. Lopez- I attended the Stallion Round-up and presented on behalf of the ESE and Gifted Department. It was a nice turnout. I am also heading the 7th-grade field trip to Sea World, and we have invited our SVE students to attend as well as a whole class instead of splitting this class up by grade level. Also, a big thanks to Ms. Thomas for including our SVE students in her upcoming drama field trips and for providing play pals where her students will visit Mr. Smart's class every week to provide role-playing, modeling, and social skill activities. ESE Advisory Meeting: ESE Advisory general meeting, February 19th, 2025, 6.15 pm-8.45 pm, Lauderdale Manors Early Learning & Resource Center, 1400 NW14th Ct, Ft Lauderdale, 33311, 1/23/25: Down Syndrome Committee 6 pm-8 pm, Broward Gold Coast Down Syndrome Organization, 7301 NW 4th St, Suite 103, Plantation 33317, 2/13/25: Autism committee, Glades Middle School, 16700 SW48th Ct, Miramar, 33027, Gifted Advisory Meeting: Gifted Advisory Steering Meeting 2/3/25: 6:30 pm 8:00 pm via Teams, 2/10/25: Gifted Advisory Meeting 6:30 pm 8:30 pm
- h. **Guidance**: Nicole Beaney- BSA testing will take place in the areas of Biology, Civics, and Science. Our Civics EOC testing date has been revised. It will be administered on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Our next event for the Positive Behavior initiative will be combined for the 2nd and 3rd quarters and take place on March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Honor Roll assemblies will be on February 26th for 6th grade, February 27th for 7th grade, and February 28th for 8th grade. Course cards will be distributed during the first week of March for both the elementary students and our 6<sup>th</sup> and 7th-grade students. Students will choose via Focus. Counselors will be in to assist. Matriculation dates are forthcoming.
- 4. 2024-2025 Library/Media Collection Development Plan: Mr. Dadas- 25-page "Collection" document has been released. Once approved, it will be posted on our website. Texts cannot be older than 10 years. The application on our students' Clever dashboard named SORA can be used by students to check out digital texts.
- 5. School Accountability Funds: current balance: \$14,940.00
- 6. **Equity**/ ESOL- Marielle Hilmers: The Human Relations Committee (HRC) presented a beautiful board they created with all the HRC information to recruit incoming 6th graders for next year. They did a wonderful job explaining their purposes and the No Place for Hate

initiatives at our school. HRC will continue reviewing the data they collected from the Young Voices Surveys they conducted last month and brainstorm solutions to student concerns.

January is Jewish History Month. Please check out our Equity display case near the art room. Some of our teachers have brought items (such as books and artifacts) from their homes to share with the students, celebrating their Jewish heritage. Next month we will celebrate Black History Month!

**ESOL**- The testing window is now open for Wida Access ESOL testing. We have 74 active ESOL students currently, with more registering every week. Mrs. Reina and I will meet with all students individually to complete the speaking portion of the exam. In the next few weeks, we will also administer the group portions of the exam by Tier level (reading, writing, and listening).

- 7. **PTA Report**: Amaral Anderson- The next PTA meeting will be on January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The meeting will be held on Zoom and in person.
- 8. **Safety**: David Argent- Hall sweeps are working. We will have a detention tomorrow after school for those students who have been caught in our sweeps. However, students are walking to class with a purpose. **Discipline**: Discipline assemblies were held last week for all grade levels to go over expectations, rules, and procedures.

SAC Attendance and Discipline Report December 18, 2024 – January 22, 2025

### Attendance:

### Discipline:

| Grade | Highest Frequency Infractions |  |  |  |  |
|-------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 6     | Unruly Disruptive             |  |  |  |  |
|       | Disobedience/Insubordination  |  |  |  |  |
|       | Cell Phone                    |  |  |  |  |
|       |                               |  |  |  |  |
| 7     | Inappropriate Technology Use  |  |  |  |  |
|       | Disobedience/ Insubordination |  |  |  |  |
|       | Unruly Disruptive             |  |  |  |  |
|       |                               |  |  |  |  |
| 8     | Unruly Disruptive             |  |  |  |  |
|       | Defiance of Authority         |  |  |  |  |
|       | Tardiness                     |  |  |  |  |

## SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY INCIDENT REPORTING (SESIR): 8/12/24 – 12/20/24

|                      | Aug | Sept | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|----------------------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|
| Disruption on Campus |     |      |     |     | 1   |
| Drug Possession      |     |      |     | 2   |     |
| Bullying/ Harassment |     | 1    |     |     |     |
| Fighting             | 1   | 1    | 1   | 1   | 1   |
| Physical Attack      |     | 2    |     | 2   | 2   |
| Threat/Intimidation  |     | 1    |     |     |     |
| Tobacco Possession   |     |      |     |     | 1   |
| Unsubstantiated      |     |      | 1   | 1   |     |
| Bullying             |     |      |     |     |     |

Level I - Most Serious: Aggravated Battery\* Arson, Homicide, Kidnapping, Sexual Battery Level II Burglary\* Drug Sale/Distribution, Physical Attack, Robbery, Weapons Possession, \* Sexual Assault\*

Level III Disruption On Campus, Drug Use/Possession, Hazing, Fighting, Larceny/Theft, Sexual Harassment\* Sexual Offenses (Other) Threat/Intimidation\* Trespassing, Vandalism, Other Major Offenses

- 9. Principal's Report: Jill Slesinski- We have begun planning for the next school year. We have hosted several different events including our Dual Language Night, Cambridge Night, and Stallion Round-Up to showcase our programs and help market our school. One hundred thirty-seven students have selected the School Choice option to attend our school as sixth graders. To ensure communication with our families is always ongoing, a Parentlink will always go out to communicate concerns or events that occur at the school. Our data looks very promising. The Comparison of data continues; math data continues to increase. The Reading data has increased as well.
- 10. Announcement: Next Meeting February 26th, 2025, at 8:00 am