

Westpine Middle School

SAC Minutes – January 12, 2023

Media Center @ 5:30 p.m.

Meeting Attendees:

Please sign in at each meeting for SAC and SAF

Meeting Called to Order:

A meeting of the Westpine Middle School Advisory Council was held in the cafeteria on January 12, 2023. The meeting was called to order by SAC Co-chair, Geneveve Barnes, at 5:41 p.m.; seconded by Jennifer Roberts.

Minutes:

- Mr. Howard made a motion to approve the November minutes; seconded by Mrs. McCormick .

Old Business:

- School Improvement Plan (SIP)
 - o All required documents for the SIP have now been uploaded.
 - o The Practices for Inclusive Education (BPIE) part of the SIP will be uploaded once completed.
- Equity
 - o This year's equity plan has been uploaded to KickUP Student Learning and Achievement with our school goals
 - The goal is for 53% of our students will make proficiency in ELA, Math, and Science as measured by the F.A.S.T. in June 2023.
 - For Safe and Supportive Environments, our goal is to have at least 80% of our staff complete their certification for Youth Mental Health First Aid professional development by June 2023.
 - For Student Engagement, our goal is to have 100% of our students participate in Choose Peace, Stop Violence, and Anti-Bullying campaigns.
- Social and Emotional Learning (SEL)
 - o The staff took the time to address their own mental health through various activities throughout the week of December 19th through the 23rd.
 - The staff engaged in various activities from healthy eating to physical health.

New Business:

- Mid-Year Reflection
 - o The Mid-Year reflection is due on January 20, 2023. This report details the progress on whether or not the results from PM1 and PM2 from the F.A.S.T. Test shows growth towards meeting the goals established in Westpine's School Improvement Plan.

Title I

- o For more information and resources from the district's Title I department, please visit the Title I page on the Broward Schools website at www.browardschools.com.

Principal's Report

- Accountability Funds
 - o The current balance is \$25,161.18.
- School Environment Safety Infraction Report (SESIR)
 - o Mr. Weber presented the school data by of all disciplinary infractions at Westpine Middle School.
 - Through December, we had a total of 35 infractions which is lower than all levels.
- Block Scheduling 2023/2024 School Year
 - o Westpine is moving to an A/B Block schedule next year.
 - Students will have 8 classes but will only attend 4 classes a day.
 - An extra 10-15 minutes will still be added to first period to give time for SEL activities and morning announcements.
 - Classes will be 90 minutes which will help to support the core classes.
 - This will allow for many more electives, so a survey was sent out to the teachers before the break for ideas of what we could add.
 - o Block scheduling will allow students to have 3-4 electives.
 - o Teacher have provided a host of ideas of what we can offer for our students next school year.
- Obligation List
 - o To continue a successful VILS program at Westpine, students will need to complete/pay for their school obligations. This will also allow students to participate in various activities.
- Schoolwide R.I.S.E. Expectations
 - o Though our Positive Behavior started before the break, Westpine has instituted R.I.S.E to set the expectations of the students. This will be discussed on the morning announcements and the morning announcements every school day.
 - o R – Respect Each Other
 - o I – Invest in Yourself
 - o S – Stay Safe
 - o E – Effectively Communicate
- Instruction
 - o Crunch Time for PM3
 - We are now entering Crunch Time in preparation for our 3rd and final F.A.S.T. PM3 in the Spring.
 - After school extended learning opportunities (ELOs) will begin 1/23 – 4/21 for a core content areas
 - o This includes ELA, Mathematics, Civics, and the Sciences on level and high school courses.
 - o Title I funding and the district will support this endeavor.
- Events
 - o Adopt A Street Clean Up
 - January 21, 2023
 - o English Language Learners (ELLs)
 - Family Game Night on January 31, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.
 - Bilingual District Support will be available and present to the parents.
 - A Parentlink has already been sent to inform the parents.
 - o Course Cards
 - New, exciting electives will be offered next year.
 - o Piper High School Matriculation
 - Piper will be here to speak to our 8th graders on January 19, 2023 to discuss what they offer.
 - They will be back at the last week of January with their course selection cards.
- Financial Ask
 - o Westpine is need of the funding for the following projects:
 - Window Wraps for the eat entrance windows - \$940
 - School Murals – Ms. Newton - \$2,275

- Detention Program - \$1,700 (37 hours)
- Tutoring – Ms. Green - \$120
- Electives Summer Planning - \$3,750 total
 - Mr. Pierre-Jerome - \$750
 - Ms. Newton - \$750
 - Ms. Sampson - \$750
 - Ms. Sepulveda - \$750
 - Ms. Barnes - \$750
- Student Desks - \$2,500
 - To replace broken desks and prepare the modulars
 - Total for ALL: \$11,285.00
- Mr. Howard made a motion to vote, Mrs. McCormick seconded. All financial asks were unanimously voted upon and approved.

Open Agenda

- Mr. Howard asked if R.I.S.E. posters will be promoted in every classroom and hallway.
 - Mr. Weber informed him that posters are already all over the campus and teachers will make it visual in their classrooms.
- Mrs. McCormick asked about having an activity bus.
 - Mr. Weber informed the stakeholders about the activity bus and bus driver shortage across the county.
- Mr. Howard asked what the protocol was for teacher to respond to parent phone calls and emails.
 - Mr. Weber responded by stating teachers have 24 to 48 hours to respond. If this does not happen, the parent may contact the grade level administrator.
 - Mr. Howard referenced hands-on learning really aids the students in learning and mastering skills versus always using technology.
 - Mrs. McCormick discussed the change in how math is taught and how it is difficult for parents to help their students with their homework.
 - Photo Math is a good resource she uses.
 - Mrs. Sir gave Khan Academy as another excellent resource.
- Mrs. Hall asked what happened to cursive writing.
 - Administration discussed its comeback and it being taught in the elementary grades.
- Mrs. Hall also asked what kids can do not to fall back..
 - Administration discussed students attending remediation and enrichment camps.
 - Summer school is also a possibility
 - The idea was brought up about having a 1 to 2 week summer camp right before school starts.
- Mr. Weber pointed out that a daytime SAC meeting is required to occur once a year..
 - The date is TBD.

Next Meeting Date and Time

- The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 2, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the media center.

Meeting adjourned

Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Barnes; seconded by Ms. Roberts. The motion was unanimously accepted at 6:41 p.m.

Submitted by,

Jennifer K. Roberts, SAC Secretary

Approval Date: January 12, 2023

