

# Westpine Middle School

## SAC Minutes – September 12, 2019

Media Center @ 6:00 p.m.

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### Meeting Attendees:

See SAC Attendance Sheet

### Meeting Called to Order:

A meeting of the Westpine Middle School Advisory Council was held in the Media Center on September 12, 2019. SAC Co- chair Lasondria Young called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.; seconded by Ms. Halley. Jennifer K. Roberts will record minutes for this meeting.

### Minutes:

Mr. Johnson motioned to approve the minutes from May 9, 2019; seconded by Ms. Halley.

### Old Business:

- City of Sunrise “Back to School Round Up”
  - o It took place on August 3<sup>rd</sup> to showcase the schools in the city and offer school resources for parents.
- Middle School “Soar and Explore” Transitional Camp
  - o For the first time, Westpine Middle School offered this summer camp to incoming 5<sup>th</sup> graders to help them transition into middle school life
  - o The camp was a success and will continue next year
  - o Considerations are being taken into consideration for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders

### New Business

- What is the purpose of the School Advisory Committee?
  - o Mrs. Young gave a thorough explanation of SAC and the expectations required of the members in the group.
- Campus Security
  - o Mr. Francis, the security specialist, was unable to attend and will make his introduction during the next SAC meeting
  - o Officer Izquierdo is our new School Resource Officer (SRO)
- SAC Bylaws and Approval
  - o Mrs. Young explained the SAC Parent Survey
  - o SAC Parent Positions
    - Currently, we need parents to represent the following groups in the SAC committee: I- Zone, ESOL, ESE, and SAF
    - Mrs. Young made a motion to keep Mr. Brooks as the School Advisory Forum (SAF) parent representative for another year. Due to a unanimous vote, he shall remain in this position.
    - Ms. DeTrempe discussed topics presented at the Central Advisory Meeting
- School Improvement Plan (SIP)
  - o We are beginning to work on the School Improvement Plan. It is currently available on the school website and is available for view and feedback on the school website. Please send all questions and comments to [Jennifer.adams@browardschools.com](mailto:Jennifer.adams@browardschools.com)
- District Initiatives
  - o Social Emotional Learning (SEL)
    - Ms. Roberts did an introductory presentation on SEL, what it is, and the benefits it has on our students in the classroom
  - o Mr. Johnson stated we currently have \$8,139 in the budget to spend on special events
- National Security Officer Appreciation Week

- Our 5<sup>th</sup> annual luncheon celebration will take place on October 2, 2019
- Mrs. Young asked for a \$150 donation for the luncheon
  - Mr. Brooks made a motion to allocate the \$150 needed for the luncheon and it was seconded by Mrs. Thompson.
  - Ms. DeTrempe brought of the idea of asking a local restaurant to sponsor the luncheon
  - SAC Committee unanimously voted to allocate the needed funds should we not be able to find a local restaurant to sponsor the luncheon.
- College Tour
  - The 1-day trip will be visiting the campuses of University of Miami, Barry University, Saint Thomas University and Broward College. The trip will take place on January 29, 2020. This trip will only be available to Advanced Academic Academy (A3) students, unless all seats are not filled.
  - The 3-day trip will take place on February 19<sup>th</sup> – February 21, 2020 for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. They will visit the campuses of FCG, USF, FSU, FAMU, UF, Santa Fe College, and Florida Polytechnic University.

## Title I

- Mrs. Brown introduced herself as the Title I liaison for the 2019-2020 school year.
- We need 3 parent volunteers to attend monthly parent seminars offered by the district. She asks that you sign up on the school volunteer form or email her at [sherry.brown@browardschools.com](mailto:sherry.brown@browardschools.com)
- Please see the school website for upcoming Title I events.

## Principal's Report

- New Staff
  - We've had to fire an additional 6 teachers due to over enrollment
  - Westpine now has a Math Coach, Ms. Keating
- Westpine Middle School Score
  - The score is made up of 9 variables equaling up to a total of 900 points
    - English Language Arts (ELA) Students with Disabilities (SWD) took the biggest hit
    - Lower Quartile
    - Civics – 73% proficiency
    - Math
      - Geometry – 100% proficiency
      - Algebra – 85% proficiency
    - Science
      - Biology – 100% proficiency
      - Otherwise, Major work needs to be put on increasing the Science scores
    - Acceleration Points
      - Microsoft A+ certification – 75 points
  - Westpine Middle School is a "C" this year; one percentage point away from a B
- September 25<sup>th</sup> – Take Your Child to School Day
  - Over 90 dads have RSVP'd
- September 21<sup>st</sup> – Empowering Parents Summit – 8:30-12:30
- Tomorrow, September 13<sup>th</sup>, NJHS will be collecting hygiene products for the Bahamas
- The City of Sunrise will commence a tree lighting ceremony where members of Westpine's JROTC will be marching in the opening ceremonies in November or December
- In the coming weeks, the adjacent will have a grand opening
- Westpine now has a JROTC program
- As mentioned earlier, \$8,139 is available for school events and activities

- After school detention for minor violations on Tuesdays and Thursdays with a cost of \$2,500
  - Mrs. Jhgne made a motion to vote on the amount needed to run the detention program; Mrs. Dawson seconded
    - SAC Committee unanimously voted on approval of the funds to run the detention program

#### Open Forum

- Mr. Brooks has hopes that the Math Coach will monitor both high and low performing students
- Mrs. Patterson asked is there will be some type of ceremony for exiting 8<sup>th</sup> graders at the end of the year
- Mrs. Dawson offered to help with our SEL curriculum as she runs the program at Cypress Run

#### Meeting adjourned

Motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Young; seconded by Ms. Hally. The motion was carried unanimously at 7:19 p.m.

Submitted by,  
Jennifer K. Roberts, SAC Secretary  
Approval Date: September 13,  
2019

