SAC Minutes 11/29/2021

In Person Attendance:

Harris Aversa, Tara Daub, Warren Denise, Laurel Garfinkel, Jennifer Goldfarb, Nicole Hicks, Maria Jenschke, Lisa Jones, Lisa Mallozzi, Breckyn Mayer, Rob Neviaser, Vera Perkovic, Ricardo Sotomayor, Natasha Vergara, Peggy Wilfong, Ron Ziccardi, Tracy Aswad, Dawn Askew, Carla Hozebin, Ken May, Rob Herzog, R. Rempart, Teresita Chipi, Angelica Perez.

I. Call to Order:

The Cooper City High School, School Advisory Council (SAC) meeting was held in person on Monday, November 29, 2021. A quorum was reached.

Rob Neviaser (SAC Chair) called the meeting to order at 3:08 pm. The meeting began with the Pledge of Alliance. Roberts Rules of Order were reviewed. Rob Neviaser (SAC Chair) recorded the minutes for this meeting.

II. Approval of Minutes – Rob Neviaser – SAC Chair

The floor was opened for possible corrections to the October SAC minutes. Ms. Goldfarb motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Denise. The October minutes were approved unanimously.

III. Reports:

a. Student Government Association (SGA) Report – Breckyn Mayer – SGA President

i. Breckyn reported on a successful Harvest Drive. Harvest Drive collection ran from November 6th through November 13th. Students assisted in sorting items after school from November 8-16th as well. In addition, community service hours for students will be available on December 9th and December 13th wrapping for organizing gifts for those in need. Service hours will also be available on December 4th for participating in campus clean up. Winter Spirit Week takes place the week of December 6th. Monday is PJ Day, Tuesday is White Out, Wednesday is Twin Day, Thursday is Crazy Hat Day, and Friday is Ugly Sweater Day.

b. Senior Class Report - Harris Aversa - Senior Class President

i. Senior Class President Harris Aversa discussed preparing for senior panoramic, voting for class superlatives, and the waiting period for senior sweats.

c. Latinos In Action (LIA) – Ricardo Sotomayor – LIA President

i. Latinos in Action will be participating in Cooper City's "Light Up Cooper City". LIA students will also be selling empanadas. LIA will also be participating in tutoring fellow students. Lastly, LIA is in need of a bus driver.

d. District Committee Updates – Laurel Garfinkel – DAC Representative

Laurel Garfinkel updated SAC on District Advisory Council issues. Guy Barmoha – Director, Secondary Learning discussed Financial Literacy graduation requirements – Policy 6000.1

Beginning with this year's 9th grade students (Class of 2025) a ½ credit Personal Financial Literacy/Money Matters Course is now a graduation requirement. The course can be paired with any ½ credit course and can be taken at school, through Broward or Florida Virtual, or by Dual Enrollment. DAC discussed when the course would be taught. An option discussed involved the Government graduation requirement course. Government is a ½ credit course, which could be taught in 11th grade as well as 12th. Furthermore, the district is working with Junior Achievement (JA) to develop an 11th grade program. The JA experience is already in 5th and 8th grade. Policy 6306 has been updated. The change addressed homework assigned after class has ended. The policy now requires two (2) class meetings before the assignment is due. This allows students class time to ask clarifying questions before the assignment is due. The Distant Learning Pilot Program was discussed. The program will be identified on schools' course selection cards as a distant/remote/TEAMS course. Oleg Gorokhovsky- Budget Director discussed the American Rescue Plan 2021-2024. The plan is a work in progress. Some of the money is being allocated to each school in order to continue having two nurses available. The money needs to be spent by 2024. The hope is by 2024, the additional nurse to help treat COVID related illnesses will no longer be needed. Input from schools, parents and community members has been requested. A website and/or email address will be developed for suggestions and feedback. Luwando Wright – Director, Title I, Migrant & Special Programs stated that some parents are not filling out free and reduced lunch applications. Since all students are receiving free lunch, some parents may not think it's necessary to complete the application. This has had a major impact on multiple schools. Five schools lost their Title 1 Funding. Schools are being asked to urge parents to fill out applications. DAC is having discussions with the district regarding the capabilities of the volunteer and visitor management system, Raptor. Presently, Raptor does not conduct a comprehensive background check. Raptor runs background checks on the National Sex Offender Registry and background checks in the State of Florida.

e. Principal's Report – Mrs. Perkovic – CCHS Principal

i. Principal Perkovic welcomed everyone back from Thanksgiving Break and congratulated Ms. Hicks on organizing another successful Harvest Drive. The Harvest Drive helps needy families in the Cooper City Community. The Fall sports season has come to an end. Football had another successful season finishing 3rd in the district. Girls' volleyball excelled by winning the district. In addition, golf finished the season as district champions. The Cooper City High Cheer team finished runner up in the state last year. Over the Thanksgiving break, the Band took a field trip to perform. Color Guard earned a second-place finish. The next Band concert will be held on December 10th. Theatre recently concluded their first official performance. Midterm exams begin December 14th. Midterm exam days are a full day of school. Students will be able to exempt the midterm exam with a course

grade of B or higher provided the class is not an AICE, AP, or EOC class. The exemption forms will be sent out to students on December 6th.

IV. New Business

a. School Accountability Funds – Mr. Neviaser – SAC Chair

i. 2021-2022 SY Current Accountability Funds Balance - \$91,843.53

b. School Needs Assessment Discussion – Ms. Perkovic – Principal

Ms. Perkovic began the discussion by explaining the importance of providing our current accountability funds balance. The School Advisory Council plays a significant part in allocating funding for school improvement. Sources to consider with regard to a school needs assessment include the following: Assessment results, community demographics, student and teacher attendance, and behavior referrals – Data from classrooms, afterschool programs, and summer programs – Surveys, interviews, and/or focus groups to gather perceptions from diverse groups, such as parents.

c. College and Career Readiness Broward Advisors for Continuing Education (BRACE) – Ms. Siwek – BRACE Advisor

i. BRACE provides students with information on post-secondary options, such as college, university, technical school, and military service, as well as information on scholarships, financial aid, college admission testing, and the college application process. The many options, to consider include Majors and Educational Programs, Type of School & Degrees offered, Admission Policy Location and Size, Cost and Financial Aid, College Affiliation and Accreditation Campus Activities Support Services. The Cooper City College and Career Fair will be held on Tuesday Februaru 8th from 6 to 8:30 pm. Ms. Siwek outlined the cost of Florida's state colleges and public universities. She then explained the Florida Public 4year University Admission Minimum Requirements. The requirements include: 18 Core Courses, 4 credits of English, 4 credits of Math (Algebra I and above), 3 credits of Natural Science (2 w/lab experience), 3 credits of Social Science, 2 credits of Same World Language, 2 more core credits and a Minimum 2.5 GPA (aim for a 3.0 and above). On the College Admission Exams SAT (aim for 1100 and above) or ACT (aim for 22 and above Composite). Naviance is utilized as well. Naviance career assessments help students decide what kind of work fits their interest and what education is required to get into their chosen profession. NavianceMatches student interests (Major, Location, Student Life, Admissions Criteria, Cost) with colleges all over the country. Ms. Siwek

then outlined how to apply for State Aid — FFAA = Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program, and apply for Federal Aid - FAFSA = Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The Financial Aid office at colleges/universites use information from the FAFSA to determine if you are eligible to receive federal student aid from grants, loans and work-study programs.

d. College and Career Readiness - Ms. Jones - ELA Department Chair

i. Ms. Jones explained that the transition from high school to the workforce or college can be challenging for students. Our goal is to ensure that students feel academically and emotionally ready for real-world application of skills and knowledge as they embark on their chosen path. Students are considered college and career ready when they have the knowledge, skills, and academic preparation needed to enroll and succeed in introductory college credit-bearing courses or join the work force. CCHS utilizes the following Success Planning Tools, Khan Academy: Khan Academy offers practice exercises, instructional videos, and a personalized learning dashboard, based on information in their connected College Board account. This creates a personalized learning pathway for SAT practice. Scaffolded and Connected Instruction: CCHS engages in instructional focus across the curriculum. This enhances engagement and boosts connectivity of ideas within disciplines. It also establishes common academic language. Career Focused Coursework and Certifications: The CCHS CTACE department provides students with vital academic and technical skills, knowledge and training necessary for workforce success. Furthermore, the literacy department aims to scaffold instruction that empowers students to think critically and synthesize material via written and spoken communication, provide opportunities for students to engage in rigorous coursework at all levels, and empower more students to engage in college level courses.

e. Extended Learning Opportunities – Dr. Hozebin – Assistant Principal

i. Extended Learning opportunities are regularly offered at CCHS. Opportunities include review and enrichment sessions for ELA, FSA, Math, EOCs, and SAT testing weekly after school. The extended learning opportunities are Facilitated by CCHS teachers, Based on student need, the sessions include all levels of capability, and offer enrichment as well as test prep. Extended learning Opportunities will be added as the year progresses (AP/AICE review, etc.). These exciting free extended learning opportunities will be offered from Monday to Thursday from 2:45 pm-3:45 pm at various locations on campus.

F. Cognia Reaccreditation – Ms. Perez – Assistant Principal

i. School districts periodically go through the accreditation process. The Broward County School district was last accreditation in 2016-17. Broward

Schools are up for accreditation this year. The accreditation process will take place the week of November 29th. There are three general categories. One, define the next steps in the improvement process. Two, determine if the district met the standards in leadership capacity, learning capacity, and resource capacity. Three, inspect the policies and procedures. The overview for the week will begin on day one by meeting with the district, the school board, and the school principals. The next three days will be spent interviewing various stakeholders and reviewing the School Improvement Plans/ school websites. The final day of accreditation week will be comprised of an engagement review and an interview with the superintendent.

G. Course Selection 2022-2023 – Mr. Herzog – Assistant Principal & Mr. Ziccardi Director of School Counseling

Course selection cards have been distributed for edits to all department Chairs. On January 19th and 20th, the course selection forms will be Distributed to the students. The forms will need to be signed by the parents and returned on January 26th & 27th. Selection cards will also be distributed to Pioneer students by January 12th. Mrs. Chartrand will visit the 8th grade classes at Pioneer Middle with the 8th grade counselor to answer any questions on January 14th. January 18th will be 8th grade information night at CCHS from 6-8pm. On February 7-9th, counselors from CCHS will meet with the Pioneer students individually. On January 19th, the Pioneer 8th graders will do a walk over to CCHS. Mr. Ziccardi also stated that he would meet individually with 8th graders matriculating from other middle schools as well.

Next Meeting Date & Time:

SAC meeting on January 24th at 3 pm in the CCHS auditorium.

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion: Mr. Neviaser motioned to adjourn the meeting, and the motion was seconded by Mr. Denise at 4:13 pm. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by: Rob Neviaser
Name of Recorder: Rob Neviaser
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Name of Position on Board: SAC Chair

Approval Date: 1.31.22