



**Falcon Cove Middle School
School Advisory Council (SAC) Minutes**

October 8, 2024

A meeting of Falcon Cove SAC was held at FCMS in the Nest Media Room. Judith Malone called the meeting to order at 8:30 am

A motion to accept August's minutes was approved.

Call to Order:

A meeting of the Falcon Cove Middle School Advisory Council was held in The Nest on October 8, 2024.

SAC Chair Judith Malone called the meeting to order at 8:30am

Secretary Kalondra Singh will record the minutes of this meeting.

Approval of Minutes:

Meeting minutes of August 2024 were considered.

Kalondra Singh - motioned to approve the August 2024 Meeting Minutes.

Kami McLaughlin – 2nd

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Principal Report by Mr. Carruth: Storm preparation is underway; schools will be closed October 9th and October 10th. The district school websites are going through a new update and no one is able to post anything new on websites except through paper form submission.

Budget Report and Updates by Mrs. Judith Malone: The SIP plan has been submitted and approved; the SIP Goals are monitored by Science, ELA, Social Studies, and Math. The plan can be found on the school website. Mrs. Kalondra Singh has begun working on the PBIS Big 5 PBIS quarterly report. Ms. Malone has worked to ensure that everything was complete for the equity plan, as it is a yearlong project such as PBIS. The accountability fund amount is currently \$3100. The school recognition fund amount is \$7800.

No budget requests have come in – no funds are readily available.

A+ funds are expected this school year; the amount of the funds is not known yet, but we have started working on drafting who is authorized to receive the funds so that they can be dispersed timely. We will table the vote on the ballot wording and it will be included in the November SAC meeting. If there are any proposals, they will be able to come to that SAC meeting. There is no timeline for when the funds will be sent out. We have not had accountability funds since 2021; we have heard that we may be getting these funds again. Regarding budget requests from accountability funds; we never give a percentage back on A+ funds which means that all monies go to staff and none for accountability funds.

The 6th grade dance will be rescheduled due to the storm. There will be a spirit week during the last week of October and "Costume for a Cause" by Journalism is October 31. Students can wear dress code approved costumes by bringing in canned goods to support the harvest drive. This is also breast cancer awareness month.

Guidance Report by Judith Malone: We are revamping course recovery. Only 12 students have been flagged for course recovery, which is down from 150 students last year. Julia Strom, the 7th grade guidance counselor, is going to be visiting classrooms to do a lesson on time management. The goal is to do 3 lessons throughout the year in study skills classes on time management, bullying, and coping skills.

Sports and Science: Soccer is over. Basketball begins soon; cross country is ongoing. The first quarter

Literacy Report by Laurie Reichow: The Literacy Department is beginning to instruct the students on our writing standards. Students will be getting extra co-curricular writing practice with 6th and 8th grade Social Studies classes and 7th grade Science classes infusing more writing into their curriculum this year.

Fine Arts by Theresa Schragar: The PTA reflections competition with creative writing students is ongoing. The contest to be published in an anthology last year had 15 published

writers. The Thespians Festival is upcoming as well as the Spring Show. The band will be playing at the Hispanic Heritage Festival.

Technology Report by Brian Fernandez: Python certifications are coming up and the web design course is going great. Gmetrix will be launching again and will go through study skills'classes as well as technology classes.

World Languages by Clara Martinez: Latinos in Action will be hosting their annual Hispanic Heritage Festival and the first quarter is wrapping up.

Social Studies by Shaun Smedley: Broward County quarterly tests are happening now; results are looking good. There is a collaboration happening between ELA, Science, and Social Studies.

Math Report by Ms. McLaughlin: The math department is going strong working through quarter 1 standards and filling in gaps from skills students may have missed or forgotten. The High School math team continues to meet on Wednesday mornings with a large number of students attending for homework help. NJHS has been phenomenal with sending tutors for support. Some days we have 1 on 1 help or 1 on 2 help.

Math Club has begun practice rounds for Math Madness. We have won the first 2 practice rounds and will have a 3rd practice round this week. Our first official round begins next week.

SESIR Report by Dr. Saddler: The SESIR can be found on the school website.

Shoutout: SHOUTOUT to all departments for help with completing our school SIP plan

Meeting Adjournment: 8:54 AM

Singh, Kalondra - motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 AM

Richard Keery - 2nd

Motion carried unanimously by vocal affirmation.

Submitted by:

Kalondra Singh

SAC Secretary

Approval Date: _____