School Advisory Council (SAC) Minutes

Pershing School
Meeting Date: 03/28/24 - 4:30pm, Pershing Media Center

Attendance (* indicates voting member):

Breanne Martinez*	Sarah Smith	Jessica Ashworth*
Jennifer Slauter*	Jorie Jeannides	Jennifer Roff*
Christina Vu*	Sanjay Brown*	Phil Kruse*
Tina Gonzalez*	Aaron Vierbicky*	Isabel Mercado
Billy Butterfield*	Rosie Maltby*	

Call to Order:

- A meeting of the **Pershing School** Advisory Council was held in the **Pershing Media Center** on **03/28/24**. Mrs. Martinez, chair, called the meeting to order at **4:34pm**.
- Roll was taken, quorum was established. *Voting Members Nicole Dant and Julie Moe notified SAC secretary prior to the meeting, so their absences are recorded as* **excused**.

Approval of February 22, 2024 Minutes: Motion to approve February minutes was made by member Maltby, second by member Vierbicky, motion to approve carried unanimously.

Media Center Book Request: The following statement was read on behalf of Mrs. Horning, Media Specialist: *"Good afternoon. I apologize for not being able to be here, but I have another book I would like to add to our library collection. I have not put in any new orders, but I had three copies of the new Dogman book donated, "The Scarlet Shredder" by Dav Pilkey. If you have any questions or concerns about adding this title, please reach out to me. Thank you, Melissa Horning"*

General School Announcements / Upcoming events: Ms. Jeannides gave a general overview of upcoming school activities/events. She covered upcoming testing for both elementary and middle school students. Ms. Jeannides reminded participants in the meeting of the importance of preparing students at home on testing days. Other events include the Spring Book Fair, K-5 Family Literacy Night, field trips, Middle School Dance and Athletics. A discussion about parent communication methods ensued, with participants giving feedback to school staff about current methods. Ideas and suggestions will be taken into consideration moving forward.

'24/'25 School Budget Overview: Mr. Brown gave a brief overview of the school budget planning process for the upcoming school year. ESSR funding has ended, therefore cuts are anticipated. Pershing will see a reduction in ESE students and staff, losing up to 10 students and a teacher/para staff position. Mr. Brown also reviewed the pay structure for faculty, and how those salary changes will affect the budget. Administration has been assessing staff and faculty positions and trying to maintain as many current positions as possible. Pershing currently has the funding for 69.5 faculty members. Questions from members included clarification on donation and contingency funds. Mr. Brown

answered questions from members and facilitated additional discussions. Final budgets are due to OCPS district staff by March 29th.

Open Agenda (Public comments): Member Kruse brought up uniforms for the upcoming school year. Members held an open discussion about past efforts to solicit community feedback from parents and students. Member Kruse will spearhead a committee and meet with administration to further discuss.

Meeting Adjournment: Member Vierbicky made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Member Kruse seconded at 5:38pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting Date, Time, and Location: Thursday, 04/18/24 at 4:30pm in the Media Center.

Submitted by: Tina Gonzalez, SAC Secretary

Approval date: April 18, 2024

According to Florida State Statute 1001.452 (2), SAC members shall:

1. Perform functions prescribed by regulations of the district school board, however; no advisory council shall have any of the powers and duties now reserved by law to the district school board
2. Assist in the preparation and evaluation of the school improvement plan
3. Assist in the preparation of school's annual budget and plan
4. A portion of funds provided in the annual General Appropriations Act for use by school advisory councils must be used for implementing the school improvement plan. (If funds are available from the Florida Department of Education)