School Advisory Council Meeting R. Frank Nims Middle School

November 18, 2014 6:00 p.m.

Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.

Agenda

- Call to Order
 The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.
- 2. Welcome
- 3. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum There was not a quorum
- Approval of Agenda/Minutes
 The agenda and minutes were approved by Mr. Cole.
 The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts.
- 5. Old Business
 - Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) Updates
 - Mrs. Butler shared how to access Florida Standards Assessments online portal and how parents can access the website for additional updates.
- 6. New Business
 - Curriculum Update
 - o Progress Monitoring given by Ms. Knight
 - Progress Reports will be sent home tomorrow (Wednesday, November 19th)
 - FSA Writing Field Test Nims has been selected to take the field test, which will be administered in December. Sixth and seventh grade students will take the paper-based test, and eighth grade students will take computer-based test.
 - As we get updates on the FSA, we will relay that information to all stakeholders.

- o Early Release/Exam Information given by Ms. Knight
 - Exams will be administered on the Early Release Days; the 17th –
 19th; schedules for exams will be sent home
 - Nims afterschool activities are suspended on Early Release Days to allow students the chance to study for exams
- Behavior Trends/Proactive Vigilance given by Mr. Cole
 - We are still trending in a positive direction. There are typically four (4) spikes in behavior fair, Christmas holidays, before Spring Break, and before the end of the year.
- Youth Mental Health Teacher Training (11/20 Faculty Meeting) given by Mr. Cole
 - Administrators participated in a two (2) day training on youth mental health. Students encounter things at such an early age these days – cyber-bullying, bullying, depression, etc. The training shared how adults can better assist students in dealing with these issues. Dr. Jackie Robinson will present information at the faculty meeting on Thursday, November 20th.

7. Member Comments

- Communities in Schools
 - Broken Glasses Drive There are several boxes located around the school for broken glasses. Any students that have broken glasses may put them in the box and have them repaired free of charge.
 - Health Health Form packets are available for the Neighborhood Health Clinic in Ms. Carpenter's office for any students that have health needs and are unable to receive them.
 - AVID The Explorers will have a culminating event on Tuesday, December 9th at 6:30 p.m.

8. Public Comments

- 9. Next Meeting Date
 - Tuesday, December 9th
- 10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.