

Gilchrist School Advisory Council (SAC)

Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2021 at 6:00pm

Members attending: Scotty Crowe, Cheryl Mitchell, Rosie Wyatt, Diana Haverlah, Amy Taylor, Kristy Newland, Debbie Wiggins, Scottie Brezovsky, Kim Thomas, Laura Leslie, Dieonne Smith, Kellie Ralston, Chris York, Tomica Smith, Jen Patterson, Bevin Steverson, Anna Ross, Allie Richards

- I. SAC Chair's Message—Jen Patterson
 - a. Opening message and welcome was shared
 - b. Approval of minutes from the 12/1/20 SAC meeting
- II. Principal's Report—Scotty Crowe
 - a. Welcome to the New Year... 2021!!
 - b. Committees have been planning creative alternatives to our special school-wide events that would follow the LCS school safety guidelines
 - c. Upcoming events: Literacy Week, Black History Month, Science Night, Virtual & In-Person Book Fair, Grandparents Celebration, Virtual Art Gallery
 - d. 1:1 Initiative—Chromebooks have been deployed
- III. PTO President's Message—no PTO updates at this time
- IV. DAC Reports—Amy Taylor & Kristy Newland
December DAC Meeting
 - a. Legislative Emergency Order for re-opening schools
 - b. Digital Academy Updates:
 - i. Grades for DA students who struggled in the 1st 9 weeks seem to be improving
 - ii. DA students who are not performing should be encouraged to return to BM
 1. 3500 students returned to BM (55% BM/45% DA)
 - iii. LCS is not seeing COVID spikes in schools; LCS will advocate for school personnel to receive the vaccine when available
 - iv. Hot meals will return in January; elementary schools will continue to eat free
 - v. Kindergarten numbers for 2021-2022 are expected to be higher
 - vi. 2021-2022 Calendar Meetings are taking place; vote will be in February
 - vii. Proposing a 7 day pre-planning week; students returning Wed. of the 2nd week.
 - viii. LCTA is proposing half-day Wednesdays

January DAC Meeting

- a. Superintendent shared results from DOH regarding positive cases reported over the Winter Break (246 students & 58 staff were positive or exposed)
- b. Chromebooks have been distributed

- c. FL school districts will be held harmless for reduced enrollment (no loss of funding)
- d. More information to come regarding FSA
- e. LCS Safety & Security office—perimeter fencing, cameras, automatic gates, guard booths at high schools, mass notification systems, Rave app, all doors locked at all times
- f. Professional Learning office—professional development & leadership training ongoing, academic endorsement courses, beginning teacher & mentor programs

V. School Safety Update—Cheryl Mitchell

- a. Reviewed district/school safety measures in place
- b. GES safety committee meets quarterly to ensure compliance with LCS safety mandates
- c. Students have been trained on anti-bullying & anti-harassment
- d. Staff have been trained on Youth Mental Health, DCF reporting

VI. COVID-19 Updates—Bevin Stevenson & Rosie Wyatt

- a. School start 3.0—42 returning students for 3rd 9 weeks
 - i. 1st-3rd folded in with existing BM classrooms, 4th hybrid, 5th rotation model
 - ii. 11 students were encouraged to return to BM based on lack of progress in DA
- b. Likely more traffic with returning students; thank you to our families for your patience!
- c. There will be FSA testing this year; dates/times/schedule to come
- d. COVID inspection—GES was praised for adhering to LCS safety guidelines
- e. Will continue with safety protocols in place for 3rd 9 weeks—no mass gatherings, no field trips, only essential visitors on campus, sick & well clinics, etc.
- f. LCS offered the COVID-19 vaccine to employees 65+ years and all clinic staff

VII. Gilchrist Spotlight: Mid-year Data Report—Anna Ross

- a. Literacy Week January 25-29: *Humanity Tells a Story: What's your Chapter?*
- b. Performance Progress Monitoring Review

Mid-Year Review Gr 3-5	iReady (ELA) Mid 19-20 75%	STAR (ELA) Mid 19-20 77%	iReady (Math) Mid 19-20 61%	FSA Target
ELA 20-21	August 59% Mid-Year 73% = +14	August 75% Mid-Year 77% = +2		84%
Math 20-21			August 40% Mid-Year 59% = +19	88%
B35 ELA 5 th 20-21		August 24% Mid-Year 37% = +13		61%

VIII. Final Questions/Comments

- a. Mr. Crowe thanked SAC committee for their support and feedback
- b. Ms. Kellie Ralston expressed her appreciation for all that the school is doing to support the students and parents during this time

IX. Upcoming SAC meeting dates (6:00pm via Teams):

- a. Tuesday, March 9, 2021

X. SAC meeting adjourned at 6:57pm.