

## **SAC Meeting Minutes—May 18, 2021 (Approved \_\_\_\_\_)**

The meeting was brought to order by Mr. Stachnik at 6:02 PM

A motion was made to approve the April meeting minutes, was seconded, and the minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

The minutes will be posted on the Rickards SAC webpage.

### **School Updates**

SAC members had a presentation on the Rickards Welding Program. Mr. Terrell discussed the opportunities Rickards students can participate in and what employment opportunities are available upon completion of the program.

Dr. Barnes informed members the exam schedule is posted on the Listserv and Canvas. She informed parents to look for exam exemption forms for classes where no exam will be given. These forms must be signed and returned to the school. There are no exemptions for core subjects. She also reported testing has been going well at TCC.

Course request forms should be in for next year. If there are questions, it is best to contact Dr. Barnes by email.

Attendance continues to be an issue. Those considered to be habitually truant will have their drivers' licenses suspended. Students should be contacting the school to address attendance issues. Seniors should pay the fees as it is too late for the school to address the issue

### **Principal Report**

Principal Cook provided an update on several issues to SAC members including:

- Principal Cook reports Seniors will have cap and gown distribution on June 1. There will be separate times for Brick and Mortar and Digital Academy pick-up.
- Graduation information will be continued to be posted on the Listserv.
- Rickards had many award winners for Best and Brightest including the top award. Rohan Davidi was the winner. He also won a national Presidential Scholarship.

- Rickards will hold the 21<sup>st</sup> Century summer program this year in person. Sports clubs will be active this summer. This years' summer break will only be 6 weeks due to the late finish of this year.
- Construction – Principal Cook reports construction continues to be going well. The new turf field is in the process of being installed and the tennis courts are being resurfaced.
- SAC Election Format – Principal Cook reports the election process for SAC Secretary and Chair will be given through the Listserv. He anticipates voting will be done online. Bi-laws will be sent out on the listserv so candidates can research the position responsibilities.
- Parent pickup will be moving back to the backup location in the front of the school due to construction. The move will continue until the end of the school year.

### **DAC Update**

Ms. Wells provided an update on several topics from DAC including highlights on:

- Mental Health updates and best practices
- Emancipation Day (May 20) Districtwide Curriculum
- FAFSA
- Night of Champions – Teacher Appreciation
- Pop-Up Preschool programs
- Parent Navigator Program
- Small Business Enterprise

### **TAC Update**

Ms. Stachnik provided an update on TAC.

- Title 1 Spring parent survey is open. Link is on the Listserv
- LTCA update – Contract negotiations are in progress
- FSU Psychology Clinic is available to students and families for therapy. Payment for services is on a sliding scale. Clinic is located at FSU at 1107 West Call Street. Contact 850-644-3006 or visit <https://psy.fsu.edu/php/about/communityservice/psychologyclinic/psychologyclinic.php>
- TAC did not have a quorum for elections but agreed to amend the bilaws in the fall to create a legislative liaison position. This

position will report on Florida Department of Education and Florida legislative actions that impact Title 1 schools.

### **SAC Chair**

Mr. Stachnik asked for information and announcements from SAC members.

- The FCC has an emergency internet reduction program giving \$50/month reductions. FCC.gov has more information
- Chromebooks are to be returned to the school on June 4.

Mr. Stachnik thanked the SAC for the opportunity to serve as Chair and offered assistance to the new Chair once installed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:57pm.

### **Next Meeting**

- The next SAC meeting:
  - TBA August

The meeting adjourned by the chair at 7:06pm.