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SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

February 4, 2025

6:00 pm

1. Call to Order at 6:21 by Ms. Patterson
2. January SAC Minutes Review: December and January minutes were reviewed. Ms. Spence made a motion to approve the December minutes.
3. December SAC Minutes Review: Ms. Williams second the motion. Ms. Spence made a motion to approve the December minutes. Ms. Allen second the motion.
4. Principal's Report:
 - Superintendent data review discussed. Benka-Coker received compliments as people were pleased on PM2 performance. In Reading and Math, McNicol ranked 3rd and 2nd in the district in Civics.
 - McNicol was recognized as a Magnet School of Excellence for the third year in a row. Ms. Franklin spoke on the process to complete the application.
 - Not been able to meet the 41% threshold for SWD students for six years and ELL for one year. Interventions will be provided to allow us to meet the goal.
 - Involved in the parades for the City of Hallandale and City of Westpark
 - Interactive sessions for the elementary schools. The students loved it
 - a. Hawk Scholars Academy: Changes from previous years. Transportation provided. Science and Civics sessions provided. This was made in effort to recruit more students for tutoring.
 - Monday: Science, Biology, Civics
 - Wednesday: ELA
 - Thursday: Math
5. SESIR Incidents: No updates
6. Budget:
 - a. Accountability Funds: \$15,959
 - b. School Recognition Funds: \$487
7. School Improvement Plan (SIP) Plan
 - a. Title 1
 1. Review of Current Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) 2025/2026 and Development of Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) 2026/2027: The 2025/2026 plan that is in place was reviewed by the committee. No

concerns were shared by the committee. The 2026/2027 plan was reviewed by the committee. Items discussed was Parent workshops, Title I Annual Meeting, Parent Technology Training, Family Literacy Nights.

Parent suggested that a Hispanic and Creole speaking interpreter should be present to assist the parents. Ms. Franklin informed the parent that this model is already in place. Spanish and Creole parent links and flyers are available. A headset device is suggested to use to translate during sessions with an interpreter. Ms. Spence suggested the use of that to save on time.

2. Review of Current School-Parent Compact 2025/2026 and Development of School-Parent Compact 2026/2027

Compact for the 25/26 was reviewed by the parents to review what it in place. The compact for the 26/27 school was also reviewed. Topics discussed: Instruction, 5 Bs, Leader in Me initiative, PD and PLC format was discussed, goal to increase student achievement, Parent communication and the nights to engage the parents, interim reports sent home to the parents and other parent communication, parent involvement, parent and student responsibilities. Parent concerned about the format for Parent/Teacher conferences and the frequency that is mandated by the district. Support needed on the navigation in FOCUS. Parent want volunteer hours for their child if they attend/participate Family Nights.

3. Parental Involvement Allocation of Funds: \$15,959.71 left in accountability funds. \$487 in School Recognition funds.

Bernie (Miami Heat mascot) can be an incentive with the students during the quarterly staff and student basketball game incentive. \$300 for 40-minutes. Ms. Williams motioned to approve. Ms. Spence second the motion to approve the use of School Recognition funds.

The salary of the teachers that tutor for afterschool tutoring will be used. Teachers receive \$40 per hour. Ms. Allen suggested that an additional \$15-20 can be added to total \$55-60 for teachers to tutor after school. Ms. Spence filed a motion to seek approval to supplement the teachers' salary using accountability funds by \$15-20 an hour. Ms. Williams second the motion. This increase is contingent upon approval by the district in keeping with all established policies and procedures.

8. Important Dates

- a. February 13: Early Release/ Day of Peace and Love/MSD
- b. February 16: No School
- c. February 26: Social Studies Family Night
- d. March: No SAC Meeting
- e. March 12: Early Release/PBIS Student Incentive/Last Day of 3rd Quarter
- f. March 13: Teacher Planning
- g. March 16-20: Spring Break
- h. April 1: Next SAC Meeting

9. Open Agenda: Hallandale meeting was 2/3 to update the community on the new bell schedule for the 26/27 school year. Parents shared their intentions for their child and how to get accepted into Hallandale's magnet program.
10. Adjournment: Ms. Williams made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Allen second the motion. Meeting adjourned 7:30 PM.