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SCHOOL ADVISORY FORUM

October 1, 2025

Immediately Following SAC

1. Call to order: Call to order at 7:25 PM by Ms. Williams. Patterson, Benka-Coker, Montalto, Fudge, Ms. Williams, Mr. Jarvis, Ms. Spence, Ms. Willis, Jaden Valle, Marlin Garcia, and Coby were in attendance.
1. SAF District Updates: Website being redesigned. Working on getting content from over the years. Current website does not mirror what represents the culture of the school. Videos and pictures of the school needed. Must be submitted. Hero page must be submitted to the district for vetting. PBIS video will be on Hero page.

BCPS Cares is the customer service initiative by the district. Follow the protocol. First call the school if you have any issues. Go to the principal if not addressed. Timeframe to respond to an issue in 48 hours. Issues going to the superintendent slows down a process as the message does not go directly to the superintendent.

Free and Reduced Lunch application: All students must complete the lunch application. If you have multiple children, you have to apply for each child. A lot of parents don't want to do the application because they don't feel that they will not be approved. Parent workshop to complete the application with the parents. Hawk bucks can be used for students for incentive for students that completed the application. We are at 78% Free Lunch for students.

Elections were conducted. Ms. Dominique spoke the entire meeting. Did not answer where the funding was from the year before. Issues discussed: Vaping, Staying involved, encouraging families to visit BCPS website.

2. Important Dates
 - a. October 15 – South Area District SAF Meeting
 - b. November 5 – Next SAF Meeting
3. Open Agenda: We will assist students that did the application and can still not afford it.

4. Adjournment: Benka-Coker motion to adjourn at 7:38 PM. Patterson second the motion to adjourn. Meeting ended at 7:39 PM.