

James S. Rickards Middle School

Welcome

SAC (School Advisory Council) Meeting Minutes – December 3, 2024

-2023-2024 SAC Committee Officers

- Mr. Rubinchik and Ms. Fatima DeLeon Co-chairs
- Lisa Smith-Lopez Secretary

-Call to Order

- A Rickards Middle School Advisory Council meeting was held in person on December 3, 2024. Co-chair, Mr. Rubinchik, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

-Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes for November 6, 2024- Ms. De Leon moved to approve the minutes. The Motion was seconded by Ms. Walton, a quorum was present, a vote was taken, and the Minutes were approved unanimously.

-Oakland Park Report – Mr. Donnelly

-OP welcomes 2024-25 City Commission Swearing in ceremony took place on City Halls steps on Tuesday, Nov 19th at 6:30 PM Mayor: Tim Loneragan Vice Mayor: Steven Arnst Commissioner: Letitia Newbold Commissioner: Aisha Gordon Newly Elected Commissioner: Fitz Budhoo.

-Holiday Village: Free Family Event Friday, Dec 6th, 5:30 PM to 10 PM & Saturday, Dec 7th, 1 PM to 9 PM at Jaco Pastorius Park. Santa will arrive at the park by OPFD truck & be escorted by NE High School Marching band Friday at 6:30 PM. Santa and the City Commissioners will light up the tree together.

-Dec 4: City Commissioners Meeting Dec 5: Neighborhood Participation Meeting Dec 6-7: Holiday Village at Jaco Dec 6-7:

-Used Book Sale at Library Dec 14.

-Homebound Food Deliveries Dec 24-25: All City Offices Closed

-Science Update – Ms. DeLeon

I would like to thank the science department for all their hard work last year in reaching 46% proficiency.

The science department is working hard to meet this year's goal of 52% proficiency.

We have two (2) science field trips coming up

-Shark Tagging -December 6, 2024

- Cox Science Museum- December 18, 2024

A big thank you to the ACES program and Mr. Davis for sponsoring the trips. Making the trips free for the students.

- On behalf of the eighth-grade coordinating team we want to thank Mr. Jack Donnelly for sponsoring sixteen (16) students on the 8th grade EOY field trip last school year. We presented him with a plaque.

-Principal's Report – Mr. Gurreonero

- Rickards was a part of the Superintendent's data dive and we shared our tremendous growth.

- On Tuesday, November 5, 2024, Rickards staff participated in a seminar relative to the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People

-Construction Update: beam signingand "topping off Celebration"

-Accountability Report - \$12,959.08

- S.E.S.I.R. – School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting (will be updated next meeting)

Incidents Reported 08/21/23 – 09/30/2024

Total: 12

-Threat Intimidation- 2

-Tobacco – 1

-Alcohol -

-Fighting- 1

- Bullying - 1

-Unclassified Offenses/OTH Major- 1

-Drug possession or Use - 4

- Unsubstantiated Bullying-

-Physical Attack - 1

-Sexual Harassment -

- Weapons Possession -

-Harassment- 1

The next meeting is Wednesday, January 21, 2025.

- **Motion to adjourn.**
 - The motion to adjourn by Ms. Ellis at 6:30 pm was seconded by Ms. Walton and was carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Name of Recorder: Lisa Smith Lopez

Name of Position on Board: SAC Secretary

Approval Date: