

Pedro Menendez High School
SAC Meeting Minutes 8/22/13

Members present:

Clay Carmichael
Shara Holt
Kate Neff
Roger Williams
Wendy Winneroski
Adrienne Paone
Celeste Bowker
Tim Cavacini
Robin Dorfler
Gwen Westfall
Teresa Miska
Mickey Mickler
Nigel Pillay
Martha Fulford

Welcome back and School Update from Dr. Carmichael

- Orientations went great
- 9th and 10th grade classes are high caliber this year
- Need to hold spring incoming freshmen orientation in the spring to set expectations
- 4th period classes overloaded a little at this point, but shutting down PE during 4th has helped management
- Offering St. Johns County Virtual School lab as a class this year
- Open House: September 12th
- Friday night: first football game
- Saturday morning: volleyball tournament
- October 31st: Model United Nations-sponsored Human Trafficking symposium during school hours

Requests for funding

- SAC currently has \$1000 in travel budget and \$1073 in general supplies budget
- FETC trip- Adrienne Paone (English teacher)
 - o \$150 for registration and sub
 - o FETC focused on Common Core this year
- Mobis for science teachers- Gwen Westfall (science teacher)
 - o Ideally 6 Mobis at \$249/each
- SAC approved Adrienne Paone's request and approved 3 Mobis instead of 6 for Gwen Westfall

Discussion of school funding and community business partners

- We do have some regular business partners in the south (ex.: Prosperity Bank, Beaver Toyota, Bozard, Publix)
- New resource for classroom funding: St. Johns County Education Foundation website (Tools4Schools, Adopt-a-class, Fund-a-project)
- Idea of posting classroom and department needs on school website

Membership

- Recruiting needed
- Make sure we meet composition requirements

School grade possibility presentation by Mr. Pillay (assistant principal)

- 16+ components factor into school grade
- District-wide writing scores went down last year
- 70% of our students had learning gains
- Our lowest quartile (lowest 25%) students showed 65% learning gains
- Often our at-risk graduation group hurts our score- we increased our graduation rate this year so we should be OK
- PMHS has always had enough points to score an A, but every year either the lowest quartile or at-risk graduation group hurts our score
- 1050 points needed for an A, we have 1107 points (conservative approximation)

Closing remarks