SAC Minutes for December 17, 2015

* Call to order at 4:30 PM.
* Attending: Kate Neff, Roger Williams, Isabelle Pitcher, Alexandra Phillips, , Nancy Little, Marci Poston, Clay Carmichael, Tim Cavacini, Diana Churchill, Tim Egnor
* Welcome
* Calendar events
  + Athletic Boosters gave gift cards to our homeless students, Funkytown Fitness (co-owned by teacher Beth Morucci) donated 50 bags of food, and PMHS parents put together 100 bags of toiletry items for needy students
  + Midterm exams happening now
    - Count for 10%
    - Formative exams
    - Link Crew held a group study session during all lunches on Monday in the media center
  + Students will report back to class on Wednesday, January 6th
  + Report cards come out online on January 11th
  + Leadership St. Johns group visits our school on January 14th
  + February’s big focus is professional development, with February 5th being an in-service day
    - SAC will support professional development by helping fund summer training institutes (AVID, IB, Link Crew, etc.)
  + Science tutoring will begin in January during after-school tutoring
* SAC/PTSO meeting recap from Marci Poston
  + Packet of handouts (will be posted on district website by January)
  + Dr. Joyner says big THANKS for half-cent tax referendum passing
  + One big concern now is school board trying to decide to keep current school grading system vs. NAEP way (NAEP way would make over 60% of our students “failing”)
    - Dr. Joyner encourages parents and community members to contact board members and legislature to keep our current way of grading
  + Plans for half-cent tax:
    - Will be rezoning in March to plan for new schools
    - Three new schools slated to be built with an 18 month timeline
      * World Golf Village area elementary school
      * Aberdeen area near Bartram Trail K-8
      * Nocatee area K-8
      * Will cost approximately $50-52 million for these three
      * Plan is to build one new school a year after that
    - The rest of the money will be other “pay-as-you-go” projects
  + 60+ applicants for new parent advisory committee, goal is to have 12-15 diverse parents
  + New Strategic Plan slated for 2016-2021
  + Another concern with Florida legislature: more talk of new charter schools starting again
* TurnItIn.com renewal
* $5,581.50 this year to renew
* SAC had agreed upon paying $2,000 toward cost at November meeting
* Mr. Williams made a motion to approve $2,000 toward cost, Ms. Pitcher seconded, all in favor, none opposed.
* Closing comments
  + Make sure we talk to student groups on how they would like us to reward them for earning an A school grade last school year
* Adjourned at 5:05 pm.
* Next Meeting: January 21, 2016