

2017-2018 Parent Advisory

Minutes

2.1.2018

10:00 a.m

1. Introductions

2. NEMS and district updates - Mrs. Boss

a. Immersion, Academies, Naviance, Bullying, Social Media, Cafeteria Debt

b. Explanation of New District Programs and Requirements:

i. Kindergarteners are starting an immersion school at Barksdale: 100% Spanish with English infusion at 3rd Grade

ii. Academies: We can earn more scholarship money than Clarksville Academy - very successful. (Flyer distributed with specific info). Boss explained application process. Creating opportunities for dual enrollment or entering the workforce almost immediately

iii. Naviance - began yesterday. Rollins explained the purpose basic elements. "We're looking for huge parental involvement." "A dream portal for parents - take interest quizzes.... Carries on through high school. Strength-finders and surveys throughout the year helps narrow down career paths."

1. Helps with FAFSA, ACT prep, and recommends scholarships based upon areas of interest.

2. Login instructions and future lessons through Advisory Classes.

c. Bullying vs. Conflict: problem at schools across the country.

i. Criteria for bullying across the country

ii. FERPA - what it means for media and

iii. Five criteria for

1. Harassment, intimidation, and bullying means any conduct that is sufficiently serious to interfere with or limit a student's ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or opportunities offered by the school system:

a. if the act takes place on school grounds, at any school-sponsored activity, on school-provided equipment or transportation or at any official school bus stop that has the effect of:

i. physically harming a student or damaging a student's property;

- ii. knowingly placing a student or students in reasonable fear of physical harm to the student(s) or damage to the student's or students' property; or
 - iii. causing emotional distress to a student or students' or
 - iv. creating a hostile educational environment; or
 - b. If the act takes place off school property or outside of a school-sponsored activity, it is directed specifically at a student or students and has the effect of creating a hostile educational environment or otherwise creating a substantial disruption to the educational environment or learning process. To distinguish bullying-related acts from other inappropriate behaviors, CMCSS defines bullying as:
 - i. harm occurs through an intentional act; and
 - ii. a power imbalance exists; and
 - iii. the accused enjoys carrying out the action; and
 - iv. the accused repeats the behavior, often in a systematic way; and
 - v. the target has a sense of being persecuted or oppressed and is hurt physically and/or psychologically.
 - 2. Bullying-related acts may include:
 - a. Actions of engaging in reprisal or retaliation against any person who reports, who is a target of, or witness to a bullying-related act, or any person with reliable information about a bullying-related act; or
 - b. Actions in which one falsely accuses another of having committed a bullying-related act as a means of reprisal or retaliation or as a means of a bullying-related act.
 - iv. *Boss: corrects the record on the incident at NEHS. "Please contact me whenever you have a question about something like this."*
 - 1. *Explanation of*
 - v. *Cafeteria debts*
 - 1. *Free and reduced lunch is offered to all parents and families.*
 - 2. *Students who do not have lunch may always go through the line and charge no matter their standing. We currently have significantly higher debt than last year.*
 - 3. *Money comes out*
 - vi. *Building beautification:*
 - 1. *Research shows that student performance can be affected by students' perception of their school, so building cleanliness and attractiveness is a priority with our spending.*
 - vii. *Fundraising:*
 - 1. *Pottery Room - Night where all the profits can go to NEMS*
 - a. *Mr. Coker: 703-659-7036*
3. *Parent Engagement Representative Updates - Mrs. Dudley*

- a. *Seeking new representative; requires a 2-hour investment each month to go downtown for a regular meeting (1/month in boardroom). A stipend is offered with this position.*
 - i. *Ms. Rittenberry inquired about this and Ms. Rollins agreed to email her some information.*
- 4. *Teacher Appreciation Week Coordinator Update - Mrs. Stella Hulse*
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- 5. *Fundraising - Ms. Jeffries*
 - a. *Valentine's crush - proceeds to go toward PBIS and Teacher Appreciation*
 - b. *Valentines dance pictures - Parent Advisory has volunteered, \$1/each*
- 6. *Valentines dance on Feb. 13*
 - a. *We need parent volunteers*
 - b. *For all grades right after school until 4:00*
 - c. *New parent pickup to debut*
- 7. *Eagle Family Night - February 22*
 - a. *Fun community event with games, activities, food, and prizes*
 - b. *Planning for the April EFN: painting ceiling tiles*
- 8. *Webpage and Social Media*
 - a. *Goal of one post/day*
 - b. *Share content with the website*
 - c. *Ms. Hulse to send pictures and info to Mr. Wilkerson*
 - d. *Wilkerson: will set up a Google Doc for parents to dump photos and video*
- 9. *Building Improvements - Mrs. Boss*
- 10. *Evening meeting in March*
 - a. *Proposed: March 14th at 5:30 p.m.*
- 11. *Teacher Appreciation Week*
 - a. *First Week of May*