

Mill Creek Elementary SAC Meeting
11/17/15 4-5pm

Meeting began at 4:02pm

In Attendance: Dana Goodson, Ruben Velazquez, Philip Dugas, Donna Locke, Stephanie Godaire, Tonia Petten-Lett, Christine Sumner, Nicole Cubbedge, Nerissa Hartford, Robin Lightsey, Allison White, Kim Wuellner (for Christine Stefan), Jennifer Hoffman, Todd Watson, Joan White, Tina Larson, Kristin Arnold, Amanda Reidl,

Excused: Kristina Dooley

Approval of Minutes from October Meeting- Tina Larson

First Motion to Approve: Nerissa Hartford

Second: Stephanie Godaire

Request for Funds- Joan White/Kristin Arnold

Counselors have seen an increase in anxiety in our students which can manifest into other social disorders. This conference will help counselors learn to identify different types of anxiety disorders and offer interventions to use with students who exhibit anxiety. Total cost will be \$217 for registration to conference and to purchase a book. Ms. White also spoke about the different guidance lessons students receive from the counselors. Mind Up curriculum is used, but recently Ms. White is addressing bullying. These lessons also help counselors make more proactive relationships with students. These lessons are not therapy, nor will these interventions be therapy, but rather a way for the counselors to develop professionally in order to address different students' needs.

First Motion to Approve: Donna Locke

Second: Ruben Velasquez

Review and Approval of MCES SAC Bylaws- Kristin Arnold/ Tina Arnold

-Split into groups and review

- Article I- approved
- Article II- approved
- Article III- approved
- Article IV- should there a sentence specifying whether or not we hold elections. Teachers are elected by grade level, but in regards to community/parent members, it has been a volunteer based. It was discussed that we have to have elections because it is a state statute. We need to have elections even as a formality. Changed words one Article IV, section 2- "Election shall be held within four weeks of the start of the school year in conjunction with the first meeting."

Approved: Dana Goodson

- Article V- Approved
- Article VI- Approved
- Article VII- Nerissa Hartford proposed that we create a description of the Treasurer's duties, since there is verbiage and descriptions of the other officers' duties. Ms. Riedl is suggesting to look up the Florida Statute listed to see if there is a definition of duties. Ms. Arnold looked it up and there is not definition of offer duties. Robert's Rules of Order's definition is very long. Ours should be shorter and more specific. "Treasurer maintains SAC's financial reports in efforts to maintain transparency of revenues and expenditures to both the SAC and general school community."

Approved- Nerissa Hartford
Second- Ruben Velaquez

- Article VIII-Approved
- Article IX-Approved
- Article X- Some questions around the timeline of proposals but it was decided not to make changes since this is district driven. Change to School Improvement Funds Section 2: include "...SAC for urgent request..."

Approved: Nerissa Hartford
Second: Ruben Velaquez

Budget Update- Kristina Dooley

No change in budget. Today's fund approval will be reflected in next meeting's minutes.

Principal's Report- Amanda Riedl

- Celebrations- Fall Carnival- it gets bigger each year. If you have feedback, please contact PTA.
- December Happenings-
- Transportation changes- Office Staff has suggested some changes to address student safety at dismissal. We are moving back to a tight structure for dismissal. There is a transportation email address- parents have to request dismissal changes using that email specifically and this is for emergency use. Parent can no longer just email teacher because front office needs to be aware of changes. This was reported in our newsletter, but this will start in January 2016. Children will need to use their assigned buses rather than hopping busses to go home with friends.
- AI- 172 route buses. There has been a large absentee rate with bus operators, which complicates issues because the substitute operators do not know the children or the parents. There is a planned rider system in the works to account for all riders and non-riders (scanners or some other method). This will help address misplaced students (wrong bus, non-rider riding bus, etc). Transportation bought 24 new buses with back up cameras. Transportation also created hotlines for parent communication.

Adjournment- 5:10pm

Motion- Ruben Velaquez