

In Attendance: (7)

Administration: Principal, Richard Martinez.

Teachers/Staff: John Geissinger, Assistant Principal.

Students: None.

Parents: Chairperson, Ricki Guyant; Carrie Webb, SACI Representative; Terrie Lewis, Renee A. Johnson; and Tim Neall

Welcome: PAC Chairperson, Ricki Guyant, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, welcoming all in attendance.

Review of Minutes: The minutes from the 2/13/17 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Open Forum:

- Congratulations were offered for FPHS being named a School of Excellence.
- A parent shared their appreciation for very smooth morning drop offs. Concern was shared that some students abuse the procedure at departure trying to get out before the busses leave. It was also noted that some parents use the inner circle/front entrance.
- A Question about SOL testing was raised by a parent relating to the new computer software for this year. Is there any training for students on the new software? Students in all classes should have been offered familiarization training before their SOLs. A student has reported that they did not receive an opportunity to receive this training before their Reading SOL for AP English 11. The detrimental impact was that it took time to learn to use the tools, including the highlighter and pencil and navigational process to drag and drop, required to answer the questions on the exam. The Administrative Team will inquire and investigate, as needed.

Elections:

- Mrs. Guyant announced the nomination of Reyna Cartegena for Chair and reminded everyone that there is also a vacancy for Co-Chair of the PAC for the next school year. Elections will take place in April and she encouraged all members to consider the positions.

Principal's Report:

- Principal Martinez informed the PAC that the 2016-17 Instructional Focus has been a work in progress and we're heading in the right direction.
- We're looking to continue to improve performance of AP Outcomes.
- PBIS Year 2 – partners include AMC and others.
- Graduation – 9 June, FRI, 2:00 pm, early release.
- School of Excellence – score of 96/100, 90+ = School of Excellence. Six of eleven High Schools were recognized. Dates will be coordinated to have a celebratory ceremony.

FPHS Draft Budget slide presentation. We currently anticipate 2,189.25 students. Staffing – 93%.

Dates for PAC Training will be forthcoming.

NOVA/CapitalOne Program: Mr. Wright will announce this and kick off once MOUs are finalized and needed software and assessments are completed.

FPHS Staff reaching milestones: Congratulations to Ms. Bither (English) and Mr. Parker (Social Studies) – 15 years and ; Mr. Zuck (Science) – 25 years!

We have retirement positions to fill in the following areas: Spanish, Special Education, Gifted Education, Math, Business and the Library. These positions have been posted and interviews will take place soon.

Facility Upgrades: Mr. Martinez discussed options for facility changes to ensure optimal use of available space. Career Counseling Area – brick wall added offices in counselling converted the space – can be used next year. School store to be converted to use as an attendance office. Modifications to two computer labs to improve orientation so student can face the instructor. Add another section for testing in the library. Add mounted cabinets as Nurses need additional storage space to secure medications. Modify the library to revive and create a hub of activity – remove old encyclopedias, use shelves with tall chairs, large screen televisions/interactive computers, old bookshelves repurposed/given to teachers for additional classroom storage. Create a more impactful front entrance – 3 large 55” monitors to project information. Commons & Cafeteria – LCD TVs were scheduled per new requirements. Mechanical field house for equipment – options discussed. Sound & lighting quality – work order for emergency lighting in place with facilities. Possible modifications to Auxiliary Gym – weight room/turf/3 lane track. 50/50 refresh laptops, desktops and Kindles – connectivity issues – eliminate guest network? Other Creative Ideas: IT kiosks to check out Kindles and wi-fi access for sports events. WI-FI hot spots in each room. Wi-Fi Upgrade needed. Tentative EDY Schedule – April Remediation Plan, CLTs; May – Testing begins with AP Exams then SOL Tests on a modified schedule (no FLEX). Make-ups possible and retakes after Memorial Day. Senior Exam Review underway soon.

SACI Report:

- Mrs. Webb updated members on the SACI Testing discussions with Rita Goss from Student Learning and Ed Stephenson, Supervisor of the Arts, with experience as Principal of Bull Run Middle School and Assistant principal at Battlefield High School.

Parents biggest concerns were why so many tests at the State level? And why in Elementary School? Eliminating Pep Rallies, Leveling up or down, changing some of the tools and providing places to practice on VDOE website were additional suggestions and comments. Replacement assessments for ACT/SOL in Algebra were also discussed.

Concluding Remarks: Mrs. Guyant adjourned the meeting at 8:00pm

Next Meeting: April 24, 2017 at 7pm in the Library.