

Pacetti Bay Middle School SAC Meeting

February 6, 2014

Attendance: Stacy Giangaspro, Lisa Fink, Sue Sparkman, Traci Hemingway, Kate Houston, Karin Gowens, Alyssa Gowens, Vicki Padgett, Terry Padgett, Tim Klein, Dana Murray, Michele Dosio, Donna Frank

- *Meeting was called to order by Stacy Giangaspro at 2:11pm*

- *Financial Update: Presented by Lisa Fink*

After overestimating taxes to be withheld from school recognition funds, SAC now has a balance of \$7728.98.

- *Funding Request:*

Sue Sparkman requested \$7728.98 to be used for additional technology throughout the school. Those in attendance voted unanimously for the money be awarded as requested.

- *Needs Assessment Survey Update:*

Our annual Parent Needs Assessment Survey is available online from January 10th until February 28th. To date, about 201 surveys have been completed. As an incentive for participating, parents can print a page at the end of the survey for their student to turn in for an ice cream reward to be claimed on 2/7/14 or 3/7/14. SAC will review the survey results at the May meeting.

- *The Direction of Common Core in the State of Florida:*

After being opposed by some in Florida, the Common Core program was reviewed and modified. As the implementation of Common Core moves forward, we are moving away from FCAT and PARCC. The state of Florida will select another option for assessment.

- *Good News: Presented by Sue Sparkman*

We need FCAT proctors. Please ask family, friends, and neighbors to help. You need to become an approved volunteer before being able to proctor. If you are able to help, please contact Susan Green. Our volleyball season is underway and both teams have won a game. The 8th grade Washington DC trip was a fun and educational experience for all who attended. Laura Adkison has held two wonderful performances by her drama students performing a play about middle school. The district banquet recognizing our Teacher of the Year, Meghan Ryan, and our Rookie Teacher of the Year, Dan Hawkinson, will be held on February 13th. Our Cat Cash incentive for good behavior program continues. Teachers and staff award students for exemplifying one or more of the six pillars of character by giving them Cat Cash. The students can then redeem the Cat Cash for prizes on Reward Days. We have hired three teachers to fill recent vacancies. Joining our Wildcat family are: Kristi Brantley (Interactive Literacy), Brittany Lanctot (7th grade math), and Allison Birbal (6th grade science). We are interviewing to fill Lindsay Burke's 6th grade social studies position. We are expecting the new projectors for the 7th and 8th grade houses to arrive soon. Congratulations to our Spelling Bee winner, 6th grader

Nikitha Raju. She represented PBMS at the district competition on January 15th. It's hard to believe we are half through the 3rd quarter already as interims go home tomorrow. Several classes are tying the winter Olympics into their curriculum. The Media Center is sponsoring a month long reading incentive program called the Reading Olympics. During the month of February, we are asking students to log all their pages read whether for homework or pleasure. A gold, silver, and bronze prize will be awarded to the top three winning homerooms as well as the top three individual readers.

- Next Meeting Dates:

The next meeting will be held on March 6th at 2:05 pm in the Media Center. The remaining 2013-14 SAC meetings will be held at 2:05 pm unless otherwise noted: April 3rd and May 6th at 5:00 pm.

- *Meeting was adjourned at 2:37 pm*