

School Advisor Council Meeting
Pacetti Bay Middle School (PBMS)
245 Meadowlark Lane
Saint Augustine, Florida

12/17/2020

2:19 – 2:54 PM

Media Center and Online Meeting

Attendees: Ted Banton-Principal; John Manias- SAC Chair; Bruce Laga-SAC co-chair; Robin Lightsey; Staci Farrell; Laura Wynn-District Buddy; Cynthia Lee; Kimber Ponce, Sheri Blackman, Richard Seifert School Counselor ONLINE MEETING via Zoom; also, Live! in the media center

1. Meeting started 2:15pm
2. **Financial update:** Mr. Laga spoke on the finances and how the balance has remained the same since the last meeting. Acknowledged the funds remitted for the renewal of Brain Pop last meeting.
3. **Richard Siefert**, Pacetti Bay Middle School counselor, spoke about the upcoming Academy selections for the potential 9th graders of St. Johns County. The process begins on the 5th of January and due to the Covid-19, the Showcase of the Academies will be virtual from 3:30 to 7:00 on January 12th. Students can make their selections via HAC and are chosen from a lottery system with exceptions for IB and Fine Arts. Students have already been asking questions regarding the process. Sherri Blackmon volunteered PTSO to assist in any way possible.
4. **Ted Talks:** Upcoming and current happenings at PBMS:
 - PTSO has many morale events planned for PBMS, Fried Chicken Kitchen food truck went well and the food goodies from the PTSO were welcomed by the staff
 - Mr. Banton added the Middle School Blitz Academy Showcase will be moving to the Bay in January to feature the advantages to selecting an academy .
 - In March the registration process begins as PBMS will prepare the transition of the 8th graders to high school.
 - As of today, approximately 10% of the population of PBMS is online. The struggling learners are in discussion with the administration to get more support.
 - 2 new math teachers are hired. Kudos to Ms. Arline for keeping the kids up to date as possible during the transition of the new hires.
 - A new AP is coming the 26th. Ms. Hensley of Sebastian Middle School is the new AP.
 - Jeff Holland is going to Tocai High School and the new dean will announced soon.
 - Winter break is upon us and arrangements have been made to keep the students ‘fresh’ until the January return. A package has been made available for those interested to keep ‘fresh’ while on winter break.
 - The PBMS fine arts events are virtual. Concerts and events are made public via the web site.
5. The floor was open to comments by Mr. Banton. Wednesday schedule was addressed. Mr Banton said the extra hour will be added on January 26th of their learning when the school is in recess. Lunch and Learn has a new addition. The district has provided funds for enrichment to hold virtual courses after school for all learners that require assistance in their learning. This new addition is above and beyond “Lunch & Learn” is a plus for all.
6. The next SAC meeting will be January 21st 2020.

7. The meeting was adjourned at 2:54.