

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

1/21/2021

2:19 – 2:54 PM

Media Center and Online Meeting

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**Attendees:** Ted Banton-Principal; John Manias- SAC Chair; Bruce Laga-SAC co-chair; Robin Lightsey; Cynthia Lee; Sheri Blackman, ONLINE MEETING via Zoom; also, Live! in the media center

1. Meeting started 2:19pm
2. **Financial update:** Mr. Laga spoke on the finances and how the balance has remained the same since the last November.
3. **Kate Houston, ILC PBMS:** Ms. Houston submitted a request for 700 dollars from the SAC funds. Ms. Houston used a PowerPoint to explain the needs for the funds and how and why they are requested. The funds will be used to purchase prizes to reward student's success and achievement. Ms. Houston made mention rewards will increase student involvement and increase scores to make the students more active and life-long learner. She explained the process used for testing such as iReady and how the results determine placement and demonstrate weakness in the student's academic knowledge. A unanimous committee supported the effort and pledged SAC funds to Ms. Houston.
4. **Ted Talks:** Upcoming and current happenings at PBMS:
  - Testing: Kudos and a shout to Ms. Arline for a successful testing session. All but 24 make ups to do. Congrats Ms. Arline!
  - Student return from the elongated holiday demonstrated an uptick in behavior problems. But the building is settling down again.
  - New enrollees-a 2% increase on new students, of the 2% more than half are new to the School District. Ted noted class sizes have been causing problems but are being ironed out.
  - Ted celebrated our Ms. Needham and Mr. Holland as they to prepare to leave PBMS and go on to the new high school.
  - Ted welcomed Jackie Ashcroft and MS. Hensley as our new staff member s replacing Holland and Needham.
  - Ted reminded the SAC committee Academy applications are due ASAP. 2 Academies have reached the limit, great news for St Johns County!
  - As of NOW, extracurricular events for graduates have been halted.
  - The district is finalizing tutoring for the online students with the details to follow.
5. John Manias and Mr. Banton collaborated on the upcoming school wide survey. Mr. Manias reminded who, when, what, where of the survey must be accomplished. Mr Banton spoke of the problems and the purposes of the survey.
6. The floor was opened to comments. Our group offers information and responds in kind with a plethora of responses answering the queries and thought of the members.
7. The next SAC meeting will be February 18th 2021.
8. The meeting was adjourned at 2:54.