

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

2/18/2021

2:15 – 3:00 PM

Media Center and Online Meeting

Attendees: Ted Banton-Principal; John Manias- SAC Chair; Bruce Laga-SAC co-chair; Robin Lightsey; Cynthia Lee; Sheri Blackman, Laura Wynn, Cory felton Kimber Ponce; 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 changed due to the first withdrawal by Ms. Houston for the testing awards program.
3. **Ted Talks:**
 - a. **SAC survey;** Mr Banton mentioned the SAC survey and how the results are an important the information is to the school and the School District. Mr. Banton advised Andrew Smigaj place a link for the students in the PBNMS Symbaloo page. The group discussed getting parents to get active in completing the survey for our school. The team discussed using the homerooms to reach all the parents for compliance.
 - b. **Online** registration for electives is now open for 8th graders. Each of the schools within the system have an uncertainty about next year's funding. So, Mr. Banton mentioned that PBMS is proceeding cautiously in the area of electives for next year. His desire is making PBMS a transitory function for the high schools we feed.
Pacetti is considering adding Health Science, Engineering and Stem (AS UNITS not courses) to enhance the transition to high school. Banton added that PBMS is considering Critical thinking as an elective for the upcoming school year.
 - c. **SJCSD** Code of Conduct has allowed individuality for the schools independent of each other. But PBMS believes that continuity should be first and foremost so students transitioning form school to school, the district is taking suggestions and comment to adjust the policies for the future. Mr. Banton reminded us all that yesterday's styles are no longer today's-for better or worse. The policies will be discussed and developed by the staff to ensure parental input is considered and the process is positive not punitive.
4. 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.
Discussions regarding the **dress code** and the lack of appropriate parental input link in the survey. Banton mentioned the ALWAYS open ear that our school has to work with the students, parents and staff on all areas of the dress code.
Masks- Students getting tired of it and we need to remind often. The staff understands the problems and are concerned about the student's weariness of the policy but PBMS is only following the guidelines of the State and the Federal Government.
Events still on hold until further notice.
State has extended testing windows for an extra 2 weeks. Testing for online students are being worked out by the district.

May 3rd the EOC's begin

Shout out to **Ms. Arline** and her testing success. Ms. Arline cheerfully worked the staff and her team for a stupendous triumph over the 2 tier stunts at PBMS. Nice work Ms. Arline.

5. The next SAC meeting will be March 11th 2021.
6. The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.