



SAC Meeting – September 2, 2011 – 1st meeting of school year

Meeting begins at 7:30 A.M.

Present: Dr. Coker-Daniel, Carol Lahey, Carolyn H. Rubin, BJ Ibach, Renata Henderson, Marisa Carboue S., Matt Hemhill, Debra Williams, Gracie Kennedy, Mindy Menzel, Doug Skiles, Kim Bednarek, Melanie Herring, Mark MacClean, Angela King, Gary Webber

Absent: Kim Wheeler, Karen Aviles, Nancy Friedman (all excused)

Guests: Sara Bravo (filling in for Mr. David Cook as secretary)

Opening Business

Carol Lahey welcomes the group and asks all present to review the May 2011 meeting minutes. Introductions are made all around followed by a review of the SAC By-Laws.

SAC Membership

There is an introduction of all parents with names, connections, and professional affiliations. A motion is made to vote all persons present and interested as members.
Vote is passed.

SAC By Laws Revision

BJ Ibach agrees to take the lead on reviews for revisions of By-Laws.

SAC Budget

Reviewed with SAC funds process for teachers explained.

Principal's Report

Dr. Coker-Daniel begins her report by explaining the role of the Assistant Principal assigned as the SAC Liaison for the year. Sara Bravo served in this position for the past two years and Mr. David Cook, 6th grade Assistant Principal, will take over the role of liaison for the 2011-2012 school year. The AP serves as a non-voting member of SAC.

Dr. Coker-Daniel moves on to explain that she will not be reviewing FCAT test scores at the first SAC meeting in an effort not to overwhelm the group. At the next meeting SAC members will receive an overview of the scores by grade level, AYP sub-groups, gender and ethnicity breakdown, etc. She does go on to say that JLCP has earned the #1 Position in Duval County and the #2 position in Northeast Florida beaten only by Fruit Cove Middle School (which has a 5% Free and Reduced lunch rate).

One area that will be addressed this school year is the African-American and low SES student population. One grade level caused JLCP to not achieve AYP in reading and this area has already been and will continue to be addressed.

In regards to the budget, the district's 90 million dollar shortfall has impacted JLCP in the following ways:

5 positions were cut

There is no media specialist or media services for the 2011-2012 school year.

All transportation has been cut and pay-to-ride buses are the only available source of transportation beyond personal vehicles for JLCP students.

This the first time the district's budget cuts have so severely and directly affected students on a daily basis.

BJ Ibach questions what is involved in the services of a media specialist.

Dr. Coker-Daniel explains that while teachers can bring groups of students to the media center, books can't be checked out at this time. While there is a parent willing to volunteer time to do this duty, a parent is not allowed access to the district's program for checking out books.

The Free and Reduced lunch rate is down from 21% to 17%. The children who needed transportation the most were most directly impacted by the cuts. Less children were actually lost than anticipated.

Entry and dismissal with more cars has gone from 28 minutes on the first day of school down to 8 minutes on Thacker and 16 minutes on Minerva in the afternoons. Community Education starts on Tuesday, September 6th, Team Up begins the following week, and along with athletics, the traffic is lessened significantly.

Marissa Carboue S. notes that other schools' entry and dismissal routines are not as smooth as JLCP's. The students and parents are very happy and satisfied with the preparations that were done to lessen the wait time for parents.

Dr. Coker-Daniel goes on to note that the School Board will be reconsidering the Priority 1 piece at their Sept. 16th board meeting and that Julia Landon is a hot topic due to the 39% of it's students living in the former attendance zone. Articles in the paper continue to touch on this topic.

The one question Dr. Coker-Daniel wants to address is: Are magnet programs going to be addressed by the board to continue in an overall sense?

Dr. Coker-Daniel did ask the magnet office for clarification on this item and was told that the focus is not on dedicated magnet schools like JLCP, but rather on schools that house a magnet program but do not need the program to populate the school or to make budget.

Dr. Coker-Daniel takes a few moments to review new members of the JLCP staff.
Ms. Marx moved to Baldwin Jr/Sr. High.
Ms. Jones moved to First Coast High School.

Mr. David Cook, new 6th grade AP, from Kirby-Smith
Mr. John Galeani, new 8th grade AP, from Sandalwood High
Monica Knighton – former JLCP instructional coach, now new 8th grade ELA teacher

The PTSA has an entirely new Executive Board and Dr. C-D is very excited about the energy and positivity already shown by the 2011-2012 PTSA. Spirit days are a new item on the calendar. The St. Denis', in charge of membership, were exceptionally generous with teachers during pre-planning week and each teacher that joined PTSA left with a wonderful gift, some of which included over the top gift cards and airline tickets!

Lisa Mayfield, in charge of activities, opened the year with Donuts with Dads and there were over 125 dads, grandfathers, and uncles present for the event. HUGE turnout. Mr. Dan Davis, a 6th grade parent, spoke about the notion of bringing All-Pro Dads to the JLCP campus.

Additionally, on the weekend prior to the students returning, JLCP's Faith-based partner, Southside Baptist Church, had members come to prayer-walk the school, both inside and out. It is a non-denominational event that occurs between churches and schools all over Duval County, but the one here was particularly personal and special due to the relationship already formed between our school and their church.

Gary Webber notes that some members of the church went to school at Landon and it means so much to them to be a part of the school now in a new capacity.

Melanie Herrings asks about the dates and times of PTSA meetings.
These are all on the school calendar.

Closing Business

Carol Lahey reviews the dates of future SAC meetings. All on the first Friday of each month with two exceptions: January is excluded, and April's meeting is one week later due to the Spring Holiday. The February meeting is the mid-year stakeholder's meeting.

The next SAC meeting will be Friday, October 7, at 7:30 A.M.

- ✎ BJ Ibach makes a joint motion to adjourn the meeting
- ✎ The motion is seconded by Debra Williams
- ✎ All in favor – meeting adjourned.

Meeting ended at 8:30 A.M.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Ms. Sara Bravo