

Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting

Minutes completed by: Lynda Gibson

Date: October 5, 2017

Time: 8:45AM-9:45AM

Total Present: 27—Jessica Espinosa, Lynda Gibson, Liliana Vega, Mohammed Badiuzzaman, Sabiha Vohra, Mary Peer, Susan Flynn-Bender, Michelle Nickerson, Maryam Naumann, Mandy Bevacqua, Rachida Dini, Rosa Buzo, Samia El Halbli, Yosra Ben Azouz, Maria Jimenez, Dora Jimenez, Aziz Khanouchi, Catherine Korda, Khadija Moustaghfir, Marina Girju, Dilaram Lutifi, Rose Faburada, Jose Moreno, Gaby Hasselquist, Sarah Myers, Meriem Mousour, Jenab Patel

Peterson administrator(s) present: Principal Kate Kane, Assistant Principal Scott Topel, Resident Principal Yalil Nieves, Technology Coordinator Chuck Deters

Refreshments were provided. Spanish translation was provided by office clerk Nydia Rodriguez

There were 2 key agenda items for this meeting:

1. Overview of NWEA MAP & BAS Testing
2. BAC 2017-2018 officer elections

details for all agenda items are provided below

- The call to order and welcome was completed by PAC President, Catherine Korda
- Resident Principal Yalil Nieves provided an overview of the NWEA MAP & BAS Testing
 - A copy of today's PowerPoint presentation is available on Peterson's website
 - The Benchmark Assessment System (BAS) is a literacy test administered individually to each student by the classroom teacher three times per year. Reading comprehension questions on this test are administered depending on the fluency and accuracy during one-on-one reading. Throughout the test teachers record reading behaviors.
 - Books are arranged by reading levels. A chart with reading levels was distributed to parents during today's meeting and parents were also able to see examples of books for each level.
 - The NWEA MAP test is a computerized assessment which measures skills in the areas of reading, math, science and language. This is a 52 item adaptive test, which means that the test is personalized to each student, with items based on the accuracy of each previous question. Test scores are compared with normative data and allows teachers and parents to assess yearly/term growth.
 - Parents were able to email PAC in advance to request a copy of their child's test scores at today's meeting or request them during the meeting. Peterson administrators were available to help with interpreting scores.
- The 2017-2018 BAC officer elections was completed by PAC President, Catherine Korda
 - President: Rosa Buzo
 - Vice President: Marina Girju
 - Representative: Jenab Patel
 - Alternate Representative: Rose Faburada
- Additional Information/Topics Discussed:
 - PAC's annual Math Night will be Oct 19th. Parents will learn about the school's math curriculum and have the opportunity to go to individual grades to learn about current math work

being done in classrooms. Dinner will be served for this event. Volunteers were requested for PAC's upcoming Math Night and a sign-up sheet was provided for childcare during the event for children ages 5 and under.

- International Night will be Oct 27th and will include the Taste of Peterson, performances, and other activities. Members of the community are welcome to attend. Volunteers are needed for serving food, ticket sales, set-up, and clean-up.
- A handout was distributed to parents with information regarding report card pickup and suggestions for what they can talk to their children's teacher about during parent-teacher conferences on November 15th.

Upcoming PAC Meeting/Events:

Oct 19	PAC Math Night (5:30-7PM)
Nov 2	PAC Meeting
Dec 7	PAC Meeting
Jan 25	Literacy Night

Upcoming Peterson/Community Events:

Thursday's	Parent Tea (8:45AM)
Oct 7 & 8	North Park Art Walk
Oct 12	PTA Meeting (8:45AM)
Oct 19	PAC Math Night (5:30-7PM)
Oct 27	PTA International Night (5:30-7:30PM)
Nov 15	Report-Card Pickup/Parent-Teacher Conferences

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