

## **Thurgood Marshall Fundamental Middle School**

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Nicole Wilson, Principal

### **School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes**

**March 19, 2019**

Time: 6:10 p.m. start

Location: All Purpose Room

Welcome: Principal Wilson

Call to order: Tammy Kaplan

Roll Call: SAC Secretary Chris Simoniello: members present: (note Stephanie Vranich no longer on Board)

Officers: Tammy Kaplan, Chair, Chris Simoniello, Secretary

School representative: Raquel Leonard

8<sup>th</sup> Grade: No representation

7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Carole Bolden, Rosena Harris, Charlotte Suarez

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Jamie Decker, Alisha Ford, Elizabeth Magro, Patricia Tatum-Evans, Debbie Terrell, Mary Weber, Zoe Wilkinson

Absent—8<sup>th</sup> grade: Beth Alfonso, Tia Hockensmith, Nicolette Love; 7<sup>th</sup> grade: Dallas Jackson; 6<sup>th</sup> grade: Jorge Angulo, Hyacinth Dyer

Motions were made by Zoe Wilkinson to accept the agenda, accept the February meeting minutes and excuse February absences (Nicolette Love and Carole Bolden). Rosena second, all in favor.

Tammy Kaplan provided the Chair's Report, soliciting and receiving volunteers for the SAC Election Committee (Rosena Harris, Carole Bolden and Jay Santa). Information about an Education Bill proposing to use the Guardian Program to arm teachers was presented. The PTA does not support arming teachers. Administrators would not know who is armed and there are issues having to shoot around students. Parents are encouraged to voice their opinion at <https://floridapta.org/voter-voice-legislative/> and/or send messages to their legislators about why they do or do not agree. The Family Empowerment Scholarship was also discussed. This publicly funded voucher program aims to take tax dollars away from public education and use the money for tuition vouchers. Vouchers are currently issued automatically, with no requirement to verify if a student has actually been bullied.

Ms. Wilson led a mock Restorative Circle using an issue identified in the AdvancED Survey. The survey question "In my school, all students are treated with respect" scored low so the activity was undertaken to simulate a real restorative circle addressing this issue. This was followed by the Principal's Report. FSA testing starts the first week in April. The testing schedule is available on the TMFMS website at <https://www.pcsb.org/marshall-ms>. In April, the PTA is hosting a Bingo and BBQ event. The "write a check" campaign is also underway. Funds are used to purchase student agendas. Lisa Marquetty or Ms. Wilson can provide more information. People who donate are eligible for the Sea World Aquatica ticket raffle to be held at the April PTSA meeting.

Next SAC Meeting: Tuesday, April 9, 2019, 6 pm, TMFMS

Zoe made the motion to adjourn; Charlotte second. All in favor.