

The SAC was officially called to order on Tuesday, December 14th at 4:17 P.M.

Attendees: Terrie Buchanan, Ellen Lane, Tom Sawyer, Tim Hillmann, Debbie Carlson, Pete Inman, Jeremy Salmon (New EGHS – Principal), Teresa Osterloh, Amy Rivera, Leslie McKibben, Tammy Friedman, Clifton Grindles, Mark Mijuskovic, Melissa Pedrick, and Karla Lopez

Treasury Report: current balance - \$10, 172.87. Pending invoice of \$2794.00. Working balance - \$7378.87.

New Business: Tim Hillmann requested that each SAC member introduce themselves to Mr. Salmon and identify their SAC affiliation (ex: faculty/staff, parent, community member, etc.).

Tom Sawyer and Chris Moore (EGHS – Assistant Principal) briefed the SAC on the new school grade criteria. The new criteria specifies that 50% of the grade is based on overall student Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) performance and learning gains and the other 50% is based on graduation rates as well as student participation/exams taken for AP, AICE, dual enrollment and industry certification. EGHS earned a sufficient raw score to receive “A” school designation but the school failed to receive the “A” due to the failure of our lowest 25% to make adequate progress in reading. A discussion ensued on the large population of exceptional education (EXED) students at EGHS and its impact on school grades. It was noted that EGHS has a low graduation rate due to the number of EXED students attending the school. The consensus was that EGHS provides a variety of critical educational services to the Brevard County EXED community and that it is unfair that the school is penalized as a result. Also EGHS’ graduation rate is skewed due to the number of EXED students attending the school.

Ellen Lane reported that the last Brevard County Parent Leadership meeting addressed elementary school bullying.

Jeremy Salmon introduced himself to the SAC. He said that this was his 21st year as a Brevard County school employee and that his previous assignment was as Principal, Delaura Middle School. He cited that his goal was to maintain the community involvement currently experienced at EGHS. Leslie McKibben invited Mr. Salmon to participate in the upcoming EGHS Relay for Life. Mr. Salmon said that he would.

Tom Sawyer briefed the SAC on the many charity activities scheduled at EGHS this holiday season.

Karla Lopez mentioned an upcoming fund-raiser on behalf of Lenny Grasso (EGHS faculty member). Proceeds for the fundraiser would go toward funding cancer treatments for Mr. Grasso’s son.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M. The next meeting of the EGHS SAC will be on Tuesday, January 18th at 4:15 P.M. in the media center.