

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL
NOCATEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
December 9, 2010

I. Start time: 2:32pm.

II. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Bruns at 2:32 p.m.

III. Welcome:

Mrs. Bruns welcomed everyone present for attending.

IV. Minutes

The minutes from the last meeting (11/11/10) were read by Peg Barnett-Bruns. Corrections were noted as follows: Under new business the word enter should be changed to access in reference to the gates. Under the SIP category, year should be corrected to year's and test should also be tests. Final correction, correction to adjournment to read Tawana Dixon seconded the motion since Bruce Anderson was listed in error. A motion to approve the minutes with the corrections noted was made by Mr. Anderson and was seconded by Mrs. Dixon. The motion was approved.

V. Unfinished Business: no unfinished business

VI. New Business:

A) Mr. Anderson described the new development books that the school is utilizing for both the students and teachers. We are currently using The Leader in Me and The 7 Habits of Happy Kids. The teachers were each given a copy of both books and they are reading in class and using the 7 Habits in their classrooms. This program is reinforcing our RESPECT theme for this year. Both teachers and students are having dialogues regarding what they feel respect means and how they can express respect.

They are also utilizing the How Full is Your Bucket books and program. All of these books reinforce good character and life skills and organization.

B) The Turkey Trot Road Run was a success and everyone enjoyed it immensely. The weather was perfect for the walk and the children enjoyed the time outdoors.

C) Eckerd Theater performed recently for our students. They were here in conjunction with the Florida Department of Cultural Affairs Arts on Tour Grant. Their performance tied in nicely with our respect theme. They also touched on anti-bullying as well. Their play was based on the book 100 Dresses.

D) Santa's Secret Shop is currently ongoing. This program is sponsored by the NES Boosters. Any profit made from the store is donated to help support our Angel Tree for Nocatee students. They are having an open house from 4 to 6 pm tonight.

E) The chorus performance is scheduled for tonight. They will be serving refreshments prior to the performance. Please come out to enjoy the show.

F) Mid term progress reports have gone out today.

G) Jack Hartmann, a nationally renown songwriter and singer, will be performing here at Nocatee on Monday, 12/13/10, for our students. This performance was possible thanks to a grant from our Business partner Wal-Mart Distribution Center. His music with content stresses positive attitudes.

H) Christmas Sharing begins next week. Every morning from 7:45 until 8:00am we will all meet in the Media Center to sing carols and have our morning announcements. Each morning a grade level will perform a song that they have been working on in Music with Ms. Freeman.

I) Reindeer grams will go on sale on Monday through next week. They will cost \$1 for each and will be available for purchase from 7:00am to 7:30am in the front hallway. They will be delivered every afternoon to the students. The 21st CCLC students prepared the reindeers for us.

VII. 21st Century Program

Mrs. Denison gave an update on the current status of the 21st CCLC Program. She stated that we have currently are at capacity. She then described the curriculum changes in the rotations for this year. The students are currently participating in 3 daily rotations. They begin with a snack and have time to get help with their homework, and then they have a turn at the computer lab. There is a new program in the Tech Lab called Education City that the students are interested in that assists them in math/reading improvement. They also work on the FCAT Explorer and Compass Learning programs. They then go to enrichment. They have 2 days inside enrichment and 2 days outside enrichment. They are currently writing letters to servicemen overseas. One of our teachers, who is a veteran, came in and talked to the students on Veteran's day about what being a veteran means and how much their letters would mean to service members.

V. SIP/School Improvement Plan

Mr. Anderson said that his quarterly review with Mr. Cline went well. We are on track with our plan. We also have Tutors starting to work with students on an individual basis to meet their needs and help them prepare for FCAT. We have had a large influx of students and our class sizes have dictated that we add a KDG teacher. Mrs. Jolie Schanck recently started. We are also currently interviewing for a 1st grade teacher to add as well. We will continue to monitor class sizes and adjust our teachers accordingly.

VI. Adjournment

Mrs. Bruns thanked everyone for attending the meeting and asked those present to attend the January 13, 2011 meeting. Bruce Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Tawana Dixon seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 3:00PM.