

Walhalla High School
School Improvement Council Minutes
November 8th, 2018

I. Welcome

In attendance were: Principal Steve Garrett, T Jason Moss (teacher), Teacher Kathleen Lynch (teacher), Laura Estes, Melinda Fischer, Carrie Dunton, Jessica Duke, Olivia Timms, Lorilei Swanson, Chanda Morrison, Merab Perez-Arellano, Butch Clay, Jenna Cobb, Hanna Grace Lyle, Meg Fischer, Kayla Garrett, John Twitty, Cooper Timms, Rachel Twitty, Elliot Wechter, Meredith Cobb, Isaac Buckner, Brij Patel, Katelynn Morrison, Tricia Burgess, and Raul Chavez and Esther Phillips (via Zoom)

- a. Appoint time keeper for meeting **Thank you Carrie Dunton**
- b. Sign in **Sheet passed around for everyone to sign**

II. Approve October Minutes – Tricia Burgess

Minutes were sent out by email on Oct 29th, no changes were made

Motion made to approve the minutes

Minutes approved

III. Co-Chair Report- Lorilei Swanson & Olivia Timms

SIC Committees

- **All members expected to serve on a committee**
- **Current names for each committee including chairs that have been appointed:**
 - **Communications Committee: Jessica Duke-Chair**
 - **Wellness: Melinda Fischer-Chair, Laura Estes**
 - **Latino Outreach: Esther Phillips-Chair, Lorilei Swanson, Olivia Timms, Merab Perez-Arrelano**
 - **Teacher Appreciation: Annette Orr-Chair, Tricia Burgess, Olivia Timms, Dora Leonard, Jenna Cobb, Kayla Garrett**
 - **Report to the Parents: Carrie Dunton-Chair, Dora Leonard, Chandra Morrison**
 - **Elections: Chanda Morrison-Chair, Lorilei Swanson, Butch Clay**
 - **Data Collection, Jason Moss-Chair**
 - **Student and Parent Engagement, Amanda Harris**
 - **School Board Meetings, Laura Estes and Butch Clay**
- **Please send in monthly report by Monday before the SIC meeting**

Next PAC date: Friday, November 30th at 12:00 p.m. at James M. Brown

Next SIC date: December 13th at 7:30 a.m.

SIC Welcome Letter completed and posted on WHS website

IV. Latino Outreach/Wellness Fair Update – Esther Phillips

I'm super excited to inform everyone that I've made great contact with our Hispanic outreach in Oconee County and getting lots of help from organizations that are focused on helping the Latino community.

As of right now at our event on Feb 9th we have the following agencies attending:

Youth Learning Institute (Clemson University)

Greenville Health Systems

Foothills Community Center

Sullivan Center

Hispanic Outreach at Clemson University

Help me Grow

Ripple of One

Rosa Clark

Oconee Library

Hispanic Alliance (?)

Southern Wesleyan University (?)

United Way (?)

The Hispanic Committee will meet on Dec 13th after the SIC meeting in the Professional Development room. Lorilei and I will be meeting to map out where these agencies will set up at the soccer field downtown. I'll be reaching out to a few Hispanic families to help with the sale of (conchas/sweet bread and hot chocolate). I have 3 in mind. I'm very up beat with the amount of support I've gotten from these agencies.

A flyer has been created by Meg Fischer to promote collecting books for ages preK-12 for distribution during the Wellness event on Feb. 9th

V. Teacher Appreciation – Annette Orr

Annette was not present but it was thought that she was considering giving out bagged chex mix for teachers in November. The approximate cost is \$75.00 and she is accepting donations. Olivia suggested doing something for teachers for Thanksgiving the Monday before break. Olivia suggested serving soup and salad. Olivia will meet with Mr. Garrett to work out the details.

VI. Student Committee Report

- **The Snow Ball will be held on Feb. 2nd, 2019. Name will remain the same. The students requested that parents provide refreshments and work in the concession stand. Olivia volunteered to donate pizza and drinks for those decorating the night before the dance. Students will be collecting preK - 12 books Nov 7th-Feb 8th for the Wellness event. Meg Fischer created a flyer for distribution throughout the district. WHS Library has a drop box for any book donations**
- **The next student meeting will be held on November 15th at lunch**
- **FCA will be hosting a 5K @ WHS to benefit a missionary family. \$20 to participate**
- **Suggested creating a Student appreciation day**

VII. Teacher Comments

No comments at this time

VIII. AdvanceED and Principal Report– Steve Garrett

Started re-accreditation for AdvanceEd this past Monday. Mr. Garrett would like to share a summary of the results with SIC members through Google Drive. The Advance Ed action plan is due in the Spring.

IX. Public Comment and Discussion

- **Parent questioned why there wasn't a Homecoming Dance this year. Mr. Garrett said that in the past there was a low turnout. He is not opposed to having a homecoming dance in the future.**
- **Discussed subjects already mentioned**

X. Adjourned at **8:17**