

Nova Eisenhower Elementary
SAC meeting, #5
January 14, 2008

Present: Allison Brooks, Janice Brown, Kathleen Cohn, Pearl Cook, Shernette Dunn, Dee Dee Fote, Dee Howard, Ian Hamilton, Mr. Jenkins, Lesley Junck, Ms Lesser, Annischa McKenzie, Linda Nestor, Dawn Smith, Wendyla Valle **Also present:** Laura Slick

Excused Absence: Victoria Lopez, Sharon Tanenhaus, Sherrine Walters, Devon Morrison

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Dunn at 4:10pm. We had no minutes to review, Ms Tanenhaus was not present.

December BAT results. Ms Lesser explained about the AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress). This year 58% of each subgroup has to make gains in reading. By 2014 it has to be 100%!

Many students didn't take the 2nd BAT because they got a 4 or a 5 on the FCAT last year, for this reason, a percentage was not given. ESOL children who have been at the school one year or less do not take the test. Those who have been at the school 1-2 years will take the test but it will not count for a letter grade but it will count for AYP. So 15% of 426 total (in order to count for AYP) will have to be ESOL children. There is something called SAFE HARBOR and that means if we fall 10 points within what we made last year, then we can still make AYP.

Mr Jenkins talked about the FCAT camp. There are 7 sessions. The 1st camp was successful. Reading and math are targeted. All strategies are covered. There are 112 students. There will be no camp this Saturday.

The 4th grade will be starting the 6-er's club. Writing is targeted. Will need some tweaking. Meetings will be held either in the AM at 8:30 or later, at 4:30. There are 6 in a class. All 4th graders took a prompt to see what they need to work on.

Vision and Mission Statements "Nova Eisenhower where excellence is tradition" is the new mission statement that was developed by the staff. Ms. Albero came up with the final slogan. It was suggested that this be put on the honors jacket that kids receive for FCAT writing. It's on the newsletter and robocaller.

Carnival is set for 11/26 from 11 –4. Merchant booths are still available for \$50. There will be a dunk tank, rock wall, inflatables. Pizza, hot dogs and bake sale items, cotton candy, pretzels, elephant ears, and sno-cones will be sold. Each grade level will have a book table. There will be a teacher auction. Pre-sale tickets will be sold as of now.

SAF Linda Nestor discussed the Uniform survey online at www.browardschools.com. This can be accessed until 1/22. There are 3 policy

changes in the works: one for uniforms, another for AC Ms. Albero came up with the final slogan. SAC accountability (SAC quorum will need 50% plus one non staff person) and the final one for growth management. It was also mentioned about parents having access to their child's lunch account online. It can't be done on Virtual Counselor but supposedly can be opened up under Pinnacle but the elementary schools don't have access to this.

Open Agenda

Dee Dee Fote had big news that she was closing her uniform location! It was a business decision that she considered in order to continue to offer quality items. Items will be available on-line and via phone. She will offer FREE shipping, and will be on-site more (8:30-5) and also at orientation. Her company email site will be E-vantageuniforms.com . She'll be sending out notices with promotional info and coupon. Congratulations are in order.

Ms. Lesser mentioned that there will be a bus tour on 1/23 for about 30 taxpayers/community members and Jennifer Gottlieb, our School Board member. They will drive to Piper HS on a school bus and then come to NEE. At NEE they will meet in the Media Center. They want to see what makes our school unique. We have Science IDEAS, inclusion, ESOL population, technology. They will be back on the bus at noon.

Herbie was our Lead Custodian and he retired this past December. There's an ad out for a replacement.

Ms Lesser was ready to place an ad for a Teacher Assistant (TA). This is different from a para. TA's can stay in the class room alone with the students for up to ½ hour. It turns out that our own Ms Smith was already qualified to be a TA! So congratulations to her! If any more money becomes available then perhaps there will be a 2nd teachers assistant.

Mr Shivers will be helping out for 1 year in 3rd and 5th grade math for the "bubble kids".

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 by Ms Dunn. Seconded by Ms Cohn.

Respectfully submitted
Kathleen Cohn