



Alice B. Landrum Middle School

SAC Minutes – 1/16/20

ATTENDEES

Principal:
Ryan Player

School Board Representative:
Kelly Barerra

Chair:
Erika Carpenter (teacher)

Guests:
Kathleen Pak
Josh Heikens

Co-Chair:
Lynn Coles (teacher)

Parent Representatives:
Elizabeth Paul
Caroline Preston
Elizabeth Davis
Cindy Itkoff
Paul Wilkinson

Landrum Representatives:
Nancy Davis (teacher)
Kelly Sumner (teacher)

PTO Representative:
Anne DeWeese

Business Partner:
David Mason

Absent: Ruba Nazi, Donna Soncrant

A meeting of the Landrum Middle School Advisory Council (SAC) was held on November 21, 2019. Co-Chair Lynn Coles called the meeting to order at 2:14 p.m. Chair Erika Carpenter recorded the minutes. The November minutes were reviewed. One correction was made: Kelly Sumner was present at the meeting. Kelly Sumner motioned to approve the minutes. Michelle Henzey seconded this motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Principal's News

- Report cards go out on Friday, January 17th. Teacher recommendations start on January 27th. Elective choices will go out in early February to students and students will choose their electives online.
- Ponte Vedra High School and Nease High School will be at Landrum for an information session assembly on February 19th. On March 4th & 5th, these high schools will return to Landrum to register students.
- Mental Health Update: The five hours of training for students will take place on February 7th, February 28th, March 6th, March 27th and April 3rd. Two of the hours will be Mental Health 101, 1 hour on vaping, 1 hour on substance abuse, and 1 hour on human trafficking.
- District Testing will take place in April and FSA/EOC exams will take place in early May.

- Threat Assessment has several steps. A threat assessment team meets monthly and evaluates potential transient and immediate threats. Two pathways are chosen depending on the type of threat. Each pathway has a specific set of resources available for students. A combination of law enforcement, mental health counselors, and school counselors are then engaged. Students will be notified that the school has a potential threat under control.
- Our school psychologist and mental health counselors are available one day a week and they are on call when needed. Mental health counseling is available to students through a referral process. Student records of referral will move to their new school if they transfer or move to high school within the state. Disciplinary actions will also follow the student on record as well.

Landrum Successes

- History Fair Open House takes place on January 17th from 5-7 pm.
- Both the girls' and the boys' basketball teams won their first game. Landrum plays Liberty Pines Academy on January 17th starting at 5:30 with girls and boys games.
- Dean Anthony was recently recognized as the National Girls Basketball Coach of the Year
- Ms. Rocha's Shoeboxes of Love fundraiser produced over 400 boxes for the needy.

Budget Update

Ms. E. Davis, treasurer, reported that our total budget is \$24, 148.18.

PTO Update

- New spirit wear is available on the Landrum PTO website.
- Our PTO Fundraiser has raised just over \$30,000.
- The Blessings in a Backpack fundraiser wish list was satisfied in just twelve hours and it included an entire holiday meal as well.
- Chip in for Youth tickets are available and we have raised \$330 to date.
- Teachers appreciated our holiday party in the multipurpose room as every teacher received three \$15 gift cards.
- The week of February 24th starts teacher appreciation week at Landrum.
- Teachers were given breakfast on the first day back to school from the holiday break.

School Board Update

Ms. Barrera attended the STEM Fair at Picolata Crossing Elementary School and remarked on the high quality projects presented. The deadline to register for the High School Academy Showcase is February 3rd. The showcase will be held at the World Golf Village Convention Center on February 24th. On January 14th, Teachers of the Year and Rookie Teachers of the Year were honored along with the St. Johns County spelling bee champion. High School HHH & K-8 School MM are on track for completion in the coming year. Textbook adoptions are also well underway. Landrum was highlighted at a recent board meeting for the security improvements that were made thanks to the half-cent sales tax initiative passed last year.

New Business

- Mr. Joshua Heikens, math teacher, presented the Kuta Software request. This software allows math and science teachers to print coordinate planes and build/differentiate instruction via worksheets. Pre-Algebra, Algebra, Geometry & Algebra 2 content are available. Scores have steadily improved under the use of Kuta, and it's also a great tool to use for remediation. Cindy Itkoff made a motion to open the floor for discussion and to approve the request. Michelle Henzey seconded the motion. After discussion, the request was approved.
- Mrs. Erika Carpenter asked the team to review the SAC Parent Needs Assessment. The team made suggestions to add questions about mental health to the survey. Two questions will be added and we will vote on the survey at our next meeting. We will then launch the survey. We will also employ the incentive of the pizza party as this proved to be successful last year.

Old Business

- Erika Carpenter updated the team on the continued successes of Flocabulary. It is used throughout all core subjects as well as some electives.
- Jodi Johnson will present her Read Naturally Live successes at our next meeting.

Adjournment

Ms. Henzey motioned to adjourn the meeting; Ms. Paul seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 3:11 p.m. Our next meeting is February 20, 2020 in the media center.