

MEETING MINUTES

I. Meeting was called to order by Dr. Holness at 4:02pm.

II. Roll Call

Attendance roster kept in file.

III. Approval of October 21th Agenda

Agenda for today's minutes were distributed. Mrs. Ludovici motioned to accept agenda, Mrs. Forte seconded. Vote ensued, motion carried.

IV. Review and approval of October 7th (2008) SAC minutes

Mrs. Heather Bryan requested a change be made to page 2, meeting. Mrs. Forte motioned to accept minutes, Ms. Vega seconded. Vote ensued, motion carried.

V. Unfinished Business/upcoming events/plan

Dr. Holness introduced Mrs. Alcira Torres as the new ESOL representative of SAC. Motion made to accept Mrs. Torres. Parent vote ensued. Motion carried.

a) Remarks from guests concerning A+ Recognition Funds proposals

Guest speakers: Mrs. Peretson read a statement made by various staff at W.C. Young. She stated that all staff is here for the benefit of the student.

b) Debate/discussion by SAC members on A+ Recognition Funds proposals

Dr. Holness informed SAC members of the importance of the November deadline and that if the vote is not accepted on any proposal all the funds will go to this year's faculty. He stated that at the previous October meeting SAC had agreed that if a consensus was not reached, by faculty on any of the 4 presented proposals, the 2 leading proposals, along with None of the Above, would once again be placed up for vote to faculty and staff.

Mrs. Bernard-Mark requested that SAC be informed of the first round of votes received by the initial ballot. Dr. Holness informed SAC of the initial vote which was: No. 1 received 79 votes; No. 2 received 13 votes; No. 3 received 46 votes, and No. 4 received 19 votes. Dr. Holness stated that the weakest of all the proposals was No. 2. All staff received a copy of the previously voted on proposals for review.

Mrs. Brunt stated we should have had only 3 proposals and we should delete the one that received the least; and that since there are funds available in the A+ from previous years, she felt that No. 1 with 100% distribution to staff was her preference. Mrs. Forte asked if we were to come up with a new proposal what would need to be done. Dr. Holness stated that if we come up with a new proposal, staff and faculty would have to be provided with a 3 day notice to allow all stakeholders to be informed of the new changes. Mrs. Bryan then asked if SAC was to take out proposal No. 2, what would happen to the votes given to that option. It was stated that these voters would then have to choose from one of the other proposals once presented to faculty and staff again. Dr. Holness stated that we need 50% +1 to accept any one proposal.

Mrs. Bernard-Mark stated that she feels there are enough funds in the A+ Recognition Fund account and that they should have been used for programs like FCAT Camp and any other need the school. Mrs. Andriella stated that in years past, the FCAT Camp question had come up as a means to assist WC Young students often during SAC meetings and that it had been requested by SAC for someone to provide and develop a teaching module and a budget to hold the FCAT camp, but no one had provided SAC with a proposal as to how spend and run the FCAT Camp. Mrs. Villanueva stated she would like to find out the various ways in which SAC could accept and justify a request for any funds. Mrs. Vega stated that there are some things that can not come out of the A+ funds. Student achievement is something that is and funds can be requested from A+ Funds for such needs. It was also stated that teachers can place their requests from SAC for student needs.

VI. New Business/open agenda/questions/concerns/comments

a) Vote on Recognition Funds proposals

Dr. Holness reminded the SAC members that according to voting norms, we need to have the "None of the Above" with any number of proposals. Mrs. Hall stated she would like to make a motion that the least effective proposal be taken off the voting ballot and thus re-distribute the ballot including No. 1, No. 3, and No. 4. Mrs. Bernard-Mark seconded. Discussion ensued. Vote ensued, motion carried. New ballot distributed for SAC members and guests to review. Mrs. Vega requested that all faculty and staff be made aware of the funds in A+ account.

Dr. Holness stated everyone will be properly provided this information Dr. Holness asked SAC, that should there be a need for an additional vote should none of the 3 proposals receive a majority of the faculty and staff vote at the Thursday, October 23rd vote, SAC should be able to again drop the least favorable of the remaining core proposals, excluding None of the Above, and present another proposal to all faculty and staff for vote.

Should there not be a majority vote for any proposal, Mrs. Hall and Dr. Holness will have a meeting to discuss any additional meetings to take place. Vote ensued, motion carried.

Mrs. Hebron recommended that staff and faculty should not only be informed of the funds that are still left in the A+ fund account but everyone should also know how W.C. Young, through SAC requests, has spent the funds to date on this account.

b) Budget Request – Mrs. Hall

Mrs. Hall presented a request \$750.55 for faculty academic planners. Previously SAC has received a request for student planners. She also presented a request for \$3,386.18 for subscription to Scholastic Magazines and Weekly Readers used at the school. Dr. Holness re-stated the request made by Mrs. Hall. Request is being made to come from the A+ funds.

Mrs. Hall informed SAC members that the carry over in the current A+ funds account is \$37,077.00 plus the previously mentioned \$15,000, for a total \$52,077. Also stated is that there are \$16,060.00 in the accountability account. Motion made by Heather Bryan to accept the request made by Mrs. Hall for \$750.55 for faculty academic planners and the \$3,386.18 for the subscription of the Scholastic Magazines and Weekly Readers. Seconded by Vicky Vega. Vote ensued, motion carried. ****Please note addendum attached**

VII. Closing Remarks

Dr. Holness thanked all the members of SAC and guests for their hard work and their input throughout this process. Meeting adjourned at 4:40p.m.

SAF BUSINESS: SAF report immediately following SAC meeting
SAF Chairperson: Mr. Freddy Merico not in attendance

ADDENDUM

As denoted in the Wednesday, October 22, 2008 e-mail submitted by Mrs. Hall, please denote the corrections following to the A+ Funds and the accountability funds accounts:

Following are the corrected amounts for both A+ Funds and the Accountability Account:

A+ Funds: \$37,077.00

Accountability Funds: 16,060.00

Total in accounts \$53,137.00

Also to be noted is that there have been funds requested from SAC as denoted in the SAC minutes which lessens the amount currently in the A+ Funds account.

Thank you.