

Cypress Lake High School SAC Meeting

March 13, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Irizarry at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was begun with a discussion of the SIP/2020. Teachers asked to look at data on students to identify what areas students needed the most help in. More focus will be put on areas directly targeted in major testing. Discussions have also happened targeting Seniors and additional help has been arranged. With after school tutoring. New Seniors enrolling and that are deficient in credits for graduation are hitting the wall in areas that will affect whether they graduate or not. It is being suggested to them that Charter schools that target the areas they are weak in may be an option. Great labor is being put into helping the CLHS seniors and those coming in from other counties and out of state.

DAC representative Mrs. Hellmann then presented her report from the last meeting. The district is pushing for the ½ cent tax that will aid in the funding for local schools. If passed we will then know where money will go, what schools and programs.

Mrs. Hromiak then mentioned that the calendar is posted on the school website and the AP Capstone website showing AM/PM > AP Classes. FSA for 9th and 10th grade combines in with ELA for the students' final score. SAT questions mimic FSA questions on tests which can aid students in their success on the test.

Mrs. Hromiak also mentioned how we can assist the students who over stress about the testing and how it affects their graduation. She recommended to read the book, "Growth Minded versus Set Minded Thinking". We need to tell the students that they will learn and they will make it through all of the steps to graduation. Keep reassuring them.

Mrs. Gair and Mrs. Jackson are working together on this situation because Mrs. Jackson requested that Mrs. Gair send her higher students to come and assist her struggling students. Great success has come of this collaboration. They will look into doing more of this in the future, possibly expanding the joint effort.

Mr. Hendrick then presented the accolades.

*The next discussion was concerning welcoming the incoming Freshmen to CLHS. There will be several events including auditions in the Center for the Arts, AP Capstone meetings, and Registration Night where they will meet the Administration and be introduced to all the Sports activity groups.

Mrs. Boyle expressed that the Administration, Counselors, and Lead Teachers will be on hand to have one-on-one meetings with individual incoming Freshmen to talk about their electives so enable a more smooth scheduling process. Questions can be asked and answered on the spot in the hopes of drawing the students out of their shell. These one-on-one meetings will also be an opportunity for the school to make immediate connection with families of the incoming students. Students will begin a relationship with the person they meet with and the hope is that they will feel they can always talk to this person about what concerns them during their time at CLHS.

Panther Force will be on hand to conduct building tours. Cheerleaders will also be there to begin building school spirit and to assist families with directions and questions.

Mrs. Gair then brought up how AP teachers are going to discuss how to work with 9th and 10th graders and help them with testing. They will also work out how to use older peers who have been through the tests already to tutor these students when needed.

Then, Mrs. Boyle spoke about Graduation and how tickets to graduation will be given out. Graduation will be held at FSW Arena on May 20, 2017 at 2:30. Each student may receive 6 tickets. However, if some students do not need that many, they will be help for those who request additional tickets for their family.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Irizary, SAC Chairman at 7:30 p.m.