

Parkland Community Advisory Council

Date: 10/18/18 7pm ad center

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ATTENDEES: Anita Kapoor, Nicole Mandry, Mary Ost, Desiree Pascal, Melanie St. Hill, Andrea Scott, Ann Segan, Nancy Trach, Michelle Wahlmark

EXCUSED: Lisa Petrocelli, Lisa Hayducek

GUESTS: Bonnie Laudenslager, Alicia Watkins

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES: Seth Fine, Ben Dobbs, Natalie St. Hill

SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVES: Linda Perlman-McKenna, excused

ADMINISTRATION: Dr. Rodney Troutman

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Michelle Wahlmark at 7:30 pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve the minutes from May 17, 2018 was made by Michelle Wahlmark and seconded by Nicole Mandry. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION: Michelle Minotti, Diana Schantz and John Monahan presented information about PSSA/Keystone Assessments and Attendance Regulations.

At the elementary level (K-5), grade level teams and the core team meet every two weeks to review data and determine tier levels (1-3) for all students. The goal is for everyone to be in tier one, standards aligned instruction for all students. Tier two has students in small groups for more intervention. Tier three is for students that need extra intervention.

When determining the tier level of the student, data is provided from STAR, CDT, CBA, Wonders assessments, small group, running records, etc., in both math and ELA. This will ensure if the student was having a “bad day” testing and if their needs are still being met. During the 40-minute intervention/enrichment period each day, all students receive supplemental instruction.

PSSAs are given in grades 3-5 in math and ELA (English language arts) and science in grade 4. Integrated in the core instruction is PSSA type questions and problems. This is to help lessen the anxiety of the testing.

The PVAAS identifies student growth and is an important part of teacher’s evaluation. Every student is expected at least one year of growth in each subject.

At the middle school level (6-8), there are weekly team and biweekly data meetings to determine student placement and monitor tiered students. Data that is analyzed comes from PSSA/Keystone,

Study Island, STAR, and CBA. It includes math, ELA and science. The intervention and enrichment period with data driven instruction to meet all students learning needs is 30 minutes 4 out of 6 days in the cycle during study hall.

PSSAs are given in grades 6-8 in math and ELA, science in grade 8. The PVAAS identifies student growth and is an important part of teacher's evaluation. Every student is expected at least one year of growth in each subject.

In the high school, benchmarks are looked at three times per year. The last benchmark is determined in March/April to see how the students are aligned with the Keystones. Keystone bootcamps are held after school and during the summer, algebra 1 math labs and keystone bootcamp, 2 week intensive remediation class, is held if the student would like to retest the Keystones because passing the Keystones is a graduation requirement.

Changes to HS Graduation requirements effective class of 2022 are: option 1- composite score on Keystone exams; option 2- local grade requirements and alternative assessments, courses and programs, acceptance to college; option 3- local grade requirements and additional CTE evidence of readiness; option 4- local grade requirements and two tiers of additional evidence of readiness.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT: Dr. Rodney Troutman spoke on behalf of the school board and administration.

There is steel up on new school. With all of the rain, the project manager is doing a great job coordinating the contractors and it is amazing that the project is only two weeks behind.

The building of the new bus garage because of the fire has some stumbling blocks. The original garage was a pole building but it can no longer be built as such. Among other things, it needs a bathroom, water and sewer, water for fire suppression system within the building. None of which the pole building had. The estimate to rebuild is \$2.1 million. The insurance money PSD will receive may be close to \$750,000 but we will need to come up with the rest of the money needed.

STUDENT REPORT:

General:

Cap and gown orders for graduation will be taken at lunches on October 24th and 25th.

Students have November 6th off from school due to Election Day.

Arts:

The Fall play, 26 Pebbles was shown to all seniors at the high school and had three successful performances last weekend.

The PHS Band had a competition in Bangor this past Saturday and on Sunday they performed as part of the Allentown Halloween Parade.

District Chorus Auditions will take place at the high school on Monday Oct. 22nd, Parkland has 46 students trying out this Monday.

Tri M music honors society will have inductions at the high school Nov. 7th.

The children's show Mary Poppins Jr will be performed the weekend of Nov. 9th -11th.

Academics:

The SAT Prep classes have begun at the high school on Mondays and Wednesdays.

The Political Science Club will be hosting a Model UN on October 27th.

The high school will be administering the SAT on November 3rd.

The first marking period ends on November 8th.

Athletics:

Football has their senior night tomorrow at home against Easton, overall they are 6-2.

Cross Country had their EPC meet on Tuesday at the Bethlehem Golf course where the boys placed first as a team with 4 runners in the top 12. The district race is next Wednesday.

Boys Soccer played their first game of EPCs on Tuesday beating Emmaus in penalty kicks.

Girls Soccer finished their regular season 17-2 and played in the conference quarterfinals on Tuesday beating Pocono Mountain East. Their next playoff game was also tonight against Stroudsburg.

Field Hockey finished their season 10-6 and lost in the quarterfinals of conference playoffs Saturday.

The golf team placed 3rd in EPCs with 2 golfers in the top 12 and had 3 golfers tie for 7th at the district tournament last Monday.

Girls Volleyball finished 13-2 and won their EPC quarterfinal match on Tuesday against Pleasant Valley. They played Central Catholic tonight in the semi-finals.

Girls Tennis lost in the team district finals to Freedom 3-1. Parkland had 2 singles players advance to the quarterfinals of the individual district tournament and has 3 doubles teams playing in the upcoming district tournament.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: "CAC Dates and Topics 2018-2019" handout was distributed.

Flyers for Parent University on Nov 5th at 7pm @ SMS- Lecture on bullying, drugs and peer pressure.

ROUNDTABLE:

There will be a Title 1 coordinated author visit on the 29th. Michael Patrick O'Neil is an author and photographer of marine animals. It will be held at SMA and is open to all families

Post Prom Committee is looking for volunteers. It is held 11:30pm – 4:00am the night of the prom. Entertainment, coffee and deserts are provided to 800-900 students. Go to the post prom website for details. <https://pks.parklandsd.org/parents/post-prom-committee>. (Even if you don't have a student prom-age think of it as a pay it forward event. Students don't want to see their parents there so volunteer before your child is of age so they won't be embarrassed!)

MOTION TO ADJOURN: At 8:26 pm, Nicole Mandry called for a motion to adjourn. Nicole Mandry moved, with Michelle Wahlmark seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Respectfully submitted,
Andrea Scott**