

# Parkland Community Advisory Council

December 9, 2021

## CO-PRESIDENTS

Jennifer Jones  
Michelle Wahlmark

## SECRETARY

Andrea Scott

**ATTENDEES:** Benjamin Gulledge, Jennifer Jones, Jay Rohatgi, Andrea Scott, Jim Moniz, Michelle Minotti, Kylie Knafo, Lisa Roth, Lisa Petrocelli

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES:** Sydney Esquieres

**SCHOOL BOARD:** Lisa Roth

**ADMINISTRATION:** Dr. Michelle Minotti

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Jennifer Jones at 6:07 pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion to approve the minutes from October 21, 2021 was made by Benjamin Gulledge and seconded by Jay Rohatgi.

## PRESENTATION:

**“Project Lead the Way BIOMED” presented by Mrs. Kowalski and her students.**

With the help of about 20 students, Mrs. Kowalski presented the Project Lead the Way- BioMed Program. The Biomed program started at PHS in the 2017/2018 school year and had expanded each year. Currently, approximately 120 students are enrolled in the program. Most students start the program in their freshman year so they can complete the entire program when they are a senior.

The BioMed Program is a four-year progressive program that allows students to see themselves in the roles of biomedical science professionals as they solve real-world challenges, such as preventing, diagnosing, and treating disease and investigating the death of a fictional person. The courses progress in a specific sequence, as each one builds on the knowledge gained by students in the previous courses. The courses include “Principles of Biomedical Science”, “Human Body Systems”, “Medical Interventions”, and “Biomedical Innovations”.

For the presentation, multiple stations were set up to demonstrate the hands-on learning that occurs in the classroom. CAC members walked from station to station, listening to brief student presentations. Members then could experience biomedical equipment and use it in role-played procedures and experiments.

## STUDENT REPORT:

Sports:

- Sydney Esquieres was athlete of the week

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**ROUNDTABLE:**

- We do not have a Parkland School Board representative yet. The election results were not certified yet. Once they are certified, the reorganization of the board can be finalized, and the CAC representative will be determined.
- Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 20th at 7pm and the Parkland Administration Center. The presentation will be "Introduction to Parkland School District's new Director of Business Administration, Leslie Frisbie".

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** At 7:18 pm a motion to adjourn was called. Jay Rohatgi moved, with Ben Gullledge seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Andrea Scott