

SGC Minutes – November 9, 2023, Time 5:04 pm

Members Present: **Octavius Harris**-Principal, **Rashida Armstrong**-Staff Rep, **Cassandra Bolding**-Staff Rep, **Judge Maldonado**-Parent Rep **Slone Malone** - Teacher, **Nicholas Collins**- Staff Rep, **Mattison Downs**-Student Rep,

Opening-Ms. Armstrong called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

Ms. Armstrong moved to approve the agenda as published. It was moved and seconded by the members.

Ms. Malone moved for the approval of minutes from the September meeting. It was moved and seconded by the members.

Discussion Items:

- **Personal Fitness Waiver**- Mr. Harris submitted the request to the board. We are now waiting for it to be approved. This is for students to free up space on their schedule who are actively involved on a athletic team.
- **SGC Funds**- Ms. Bolding provided an update on what the budget committee discussed at their previous meeting. They would like for funds to be allocated for the following needs:
 - College and Career Readiness Support (college fairs and tours, guest speakers)
 - PBIS (game room additions/incentives)
 - Instructional support in math and science (purchase of consumables and manipulatives)
 - Professional Assistant Acquisition (to support summer programming)
- **Failure Rate Interventions**- We would like to change the culture that currently exists at our school. Scholars know they can wait until the end of the semester, submit late work and pass the class. There is no incentive for many students to turn in work on time or pass the class throughout the semester. We are soliciting ideas from the committee on how to involve parents. Currently we offer the following interventions:
 - Breakfast Club
 - Extended Learning
 - Virtual Labs
 - Missing Reports (Sent out every Thursday)
 - Data Dash (every 4th Tuesday)

Committee Review/Discussion Items-

- The Budget Committee made suggestions on where to use SGC funds. They are in the area of Curriculum Support and College & Career Readiness.
- The Outreach and Communication has not yet met.
- The Principal Selection Committee has not yet met.

Principal Update- Mr. Harris presented information on the attendance rate at LHHS. Research shows that when students come to school and behavior on a regular basis, there is an increased percentage of them graduating on time. The current attendance report reads as follows:

- 38.11% of our students come to school regularly. (satisfactory).
- 27.4 % of our students are at risk of failing.
- 18.60% of our students are chronically absent.
- 15.75% of our students are severely chronically absent.

We are looking for ways to encourage our students to come to school. Also, we are looking for ways to involve our parents.

Next Meeting Agenda Items:

- a. Budget allocation

New Business- There was no new business.

Next Meeting – Thursday – December 14, 2023

This meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.