

South Lyon East High School
SIP Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2012

Present:

Administration: Larry Jackson, Dr. Bill Pearson

Staff Members: Gail Joslin, Ron Weber

Parents: Laura Hogan, Laurie Hughes

Students:

9th Alex Connell
10th Mack Gillis
11th Amanda Lemming, Christine Appicelli
12th Kelsey Hines

Meeting called to order at 2:40 p.m.

Martin Luther King Day Activities

- Mr. Jackson asked for feedback from the students and staff on the activities held on Martin Luther King Day. A video was shown about the Children's March in Alabama and students were asked to write from a prompt.
- General student comments were that the video was very interesting. Students would have liked more time for the writing.
- Mr. Weber said he heard no complaints about the video and felt it was an eye opener for many people, including staff.

Final Exam Review Sessions

- Students like this concept, and feel a third session would be even better. Right now they can only choose two classes to do the review sessions, and would like a third.
- A student mentioned that a teacher felt it would be better to have the two days before exams be only review in all classes.
- Mr. Jackson stated that attending sessions with different teachers is good as it allows students to experience different teaching styles and to hear things explained differently.
- A suggestion was made to make this week before exams Cougar Hour schedule every day. Monday would be for MLK Day activities, then the rest of the week would be review sessions.
- AP students loved the new AP study groups.

Personal Electronic Devices – Final Draft

- Mr. Jackson distributed copies of the final draft of the proposal to expand the use of PED's in school. He wants to get this approved as soon as possible so that we can implement it here before the end of the year.
- Draft was reviewed and there were no questions or concerns.
- This will go to the school board for discussion in February and for approval in March.

Cat Fight Events

- The SL/SLE Basketball game will be on February 3. We will again have the Cat Fight Activities. The assembly will be held on February 2 and it will be Pathway Competitions. Mr. Jackson asked for suggestions for games/competitions and ideas for songs that all the students would know the words to.
- Song suggestions:
 - A parent suggested using old songs like "Row Row Row Your Boat", or "B-I-N-G-O"
 - YMCA – was done last year and seemed like students didn't know all the words
 - Theme Song from Sponge Bob
 - Party in the USA – Hannah Montana
 - All I Do Is Win
 - Baby – Justin Bieber
 - Forget You
 - Don't Stop Believin'
 - I Got A Feeling – Black Eyed Peas
 - Someone Like You
- Competition Suggestions:
 - Cat Fight between Lion and Cougar
 - Pathway Colors
 - Scooter Races: Scoot down and grab something and come back
 - Pie Eating
 - 4 Way Tug of War between Pathways : Two winners then do "play-off" for winner
 - Jump Rope: Tie ropes together to make big jump rope and see how many can jump rope at the same time and for how long
 - Dance – Off: Have judges. Will have 2 students from each pathway compete for best moves. Mr. Weber "nominated" Mr. Grieves, Mrs. Mellor, Mrs. Briggs, and Mr. Smith to be judges as they represent all of the pathways.

Selection of Agenda Cover

- After discussion and reviewing options the students decided they would like to have the school create its own cover and have each pathway represented on the cover. Discussion was to make it a competition with criteria that each pathway's mascot needed to be represented in the drawing.

Other

- Lunch Menu: Mr. Jackson will check on these suggestions
 - Can it be posted on the website?
 - Can we get strawberries ?
 - Can we get bowls for the salad bar and knives to cut chicken, etc.?
- The athletics records are still not posted in the gym. Mr. Jackson has talked with Mr. Teagan and these are supposed to be up by the end of this semester.
- A student asked where all the trophies are from Cheer. Dr. Pearson called Mr. Teagan who said the trophies are all in the cases right outside the gym. Mr. Jackson told the student to check to see if the trophies she is referring to are there and to let him know.
- Scrolling announcements: Can they be made more exciting, more color, more graphics, etc?
- NHS is doing an auction where teachers can bid on students to do community service hours for them. At the suggestion of a teacher, staff can earn points for their pathway by being the highest bidder, etc. This fundraiser is to benefit cystic fibrosis.

Items for February's agenda:

- Restructuring of the Student Government to create Pathway Councils instead of the current councils by grade.
- Ways to recognize and award the pathway at the end of the year that has earned the most points

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30. The next meeting is February 15.

Respectfully submitted,

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