

Springwoods School Advisory Council Minutes

November 16, 2022

- 1. Welcome and Introductions of Administrators and Attendees
 - janeene mainor (Principal)
 - Kenneth Harkins (Asst Principal)
 - Omar Torrens (Parent)
 - Daniele Wagner-Loera (Parent)
 - Kia Woods (Parent)
 - Elisa Dacales (Parent Liaison)
- 2. Review of Meeting Dates
 - a. Jan 18, Mar 15, and May 17
- 3. PAC Officer Interest- The three members present accepted three board positions.
 - Chair Daniele Wagner-Loera
 - Vice Chair Kia Woods
 - Recording Secretary Omar Torrens
 - Time Keeper TBD
- 4. Strategic Plan Review of PAC and SPES By-Laws First Read
 - a. PWCS Strategic Plan: https://www.pwcs.edu/userfiles/servers/server-340140/image/about-us/strategic-plan-pwcs-vision-2025.pdf
 - b. PWCS Advisory Council Regulation:
 - https://go.boarddocs.com/vsba/pwcs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKC8LQ1EDCF0
 - i. Discussed the PWCS goal for Advisory Councils and compared to our current bylaws.
 - ii. Discussed the phrase "high-functioning" in regards to advisory council and what that might look like for SPES. During the discussion, we wondered if that specific language made some members hesitant to join.
 - iii. Members brought up several areas for bylaws to be improved including the PAC name to become SAC in alignment with the Strategic Plan language, ability for multiple members in a household to join PAC.
 - iv. Executive board to meet before next meeting to present proposed updates to bylaws.
- 5. Council Report Finance Update
 - a. SPES Staffing and Budget are within PWCS regulations. Current available flex funding is \$267,620.36
 - b. Three grant funding sources (ESSR, HEALS, Purple Star) were shared with available funding.
 - i. Discussed that SPES is currently on track to use all funds and which grants were renewable
- 6. Next Steps for New Board: We discussed including the SAC Instruction Rep on emails and launching efforts in January for membership. Admin sent the New Board Board member contact info and the dist list for SPESPAC.edu
 - 6. Open Comment Time

- a. Ms. Wagner-Loera discussed Lexia and exploring a level set at the beginning of school year as she is concerned some students may not be operating at the appropriate level in line with their reading ability based on conversations with other SPES parents. Admin will investigate the need for reassessment of students' levels.
- b. Board discussed continuing to recruit new members. It was stated that beginning of a new year as well as some outlined partnership opportunities may help with new attendance for next meeting.
- c. Ms. Woods requested consideration for a later start time due to PTA running later for some meetings. The members discussed that PTA and PAC meetings rarely conflict as there are fewer PAC meetings/year and PTA voting does not happen regularly.
- d. The Board agreed to collaborate with Admin to review proposed by law changes in advance of the January meeting.

7. Adjournment

Next Agenda Items (Meeting Jan 18th)

- a. Review Revised By Laws
- b. Update progress to SPES Continuous Improvement Plan
- c. Council Report Update