Masterman School Advisory Council

Minutes from October 17, 2017 Meeting

Present: Jessica Brown, Michelle Harrison, Christopher Taranta, Kim Neu, Louis Borda, Carolyn Gray, Joanne Donahue, April Gamache, Alfredo Pratico, Theresa Hannigan, Rayshawn Johnson, Marc Meola, Karen Yvette Simmons, Maria Kim Yuen, Alison McDowell, Brian Peterson, Charles Barrett Adams, Judy Shelton, Laura Keane, Leslie Patterson Tyler, Andrea Appel

Guests: Stephanie Scott, Nabeeha Parker

Absent: Malcolm Margasak, Danielle Schuller

Elections

Andrea Appel was elected Facilitator.

Maria Kim Yuen was elected Organizer.

Marc Meola was elected Secretary.

Meeting Dates

SAC meeting dates will be 11/14/17, 12/19/17, 1/16/18, 2/20/18, 3/20/18, 4/17/18, 5/8/18, 6/5/18.

Q. Do SAC members need clearances?

1. J. Brown will look into it.

Agenda for the Year

A wide-ranging discussion ensued over the agenda for the year. Consensus emerged around the issues of diversity, alumni, wellness/curriculum, and transparency/communication. A committee or subcommittee structure was discussed. Discussion will continue at next meeting.

Principal Report - J. Brown

Principal Brown thanked committee members for the discussion and feedback.

PSAT/SAT occurred.

Interims went out to parents.

Coffee with the Principal was a success with approximately 20 5th and 6th grade parents in attendance. Focus was on communication and transition to Masterman.

A grant for $2500 for math and science lab materials was received.

National Merit Scholars - 24 students, 20% of senior class. 13 students commended. 9 students were National Merit Scholars representing less than 1%. 3 students National Hispanic Recognition.

Open House on Thursday.

Beautification Day is Saturday.

High School Report - A. Pratico

Fall dance is being rescheduled.

Every high school student took PSAT/SAT.

College Fair is happening--30-40 colleges.

High school transcripts have changed - shows actual number grade. New weighting 1.1 has become 1.15 (Honors).

Early action decision is coming up.

Mr. Meketon is leaving.

Middle School Report - A. Pratico for Middle School Student Government

School selection is Nov 13.

Shadowing is no longer mandatory.

HSA report - April Gamache

Rooftop fundraiser was a success.

Auction Committee is starting.

The newsletter has been revamped and is being pushed out.

Announcement: Rayshawn Johnson reports that Enon Tabernacle Baptist Church has donated $1000 to Masterman.