**St. Johns Technical High School**

**School Advisory Council Meeting**

**Thursday, February 22, 2018**

**Call to Order**: Mrs. Jasmin called the meeting to order at 8:23 am

**Members in Attendance**: Ashley Jasmin, Ryan Sirak, Cynthia Williams, Kathy Mignerey, Tamara Birch, Essie Martin, Hollie Winter, Jennifer Alexander, Linda Krepp, Linda Meyer,

**Prior Meeting Minutes Recap/Approval:**

**•** Minutes approved from January 25th, 2017

**Treasurer’s Report:** As of today the SAC committee has $3,942.53

**Admin Report-Title I Updates:**

**Williams:** We have a lot of parent participation this, and our PTO this year has really taken off. We need to start focusing on next year. When we have the requirements for the PIP plan brought forward we will look at what we are doing here in the school. The Student and Parent compact is a document signed by both the parents and students sign when accepted at SJTHS and this is looking at being amended for safety concerns. We are looking into being more specific on expectations and consequences in relation to safety. We are already handling things and in constant communication. The safety of our school is a priority, and we are an open campus, but we have staff and deans and other personnel constantly circulating around the campus. We have updated security with improved locks and observations. Teachers have been retrained and ensuring that all doors are locked. The district will be coming over to analyze how to increase security in H with a security door or name tags or whatever the district approves. All teachers and faculty have been instructed to stop people, even if they are district employees to ensure that anyone on our campus belongs on the campus.

Title I budget will be presented in April. The majority of those funds go towards to our staffing. They also go towards tutoring, of which we have two or three more tutoring sessions. We will have summer school as part of this budget as well. We are receiving less funds this year as these funds cannot include seniors or over age students, and our numbers dropped for budget concerns.

Staffing, we have a posting for a maintenance custodian. We are also down ESE specialists as a teacher left for a different district. Due to lack of applicants we are moving this to a 50% reading endorsed staff so that we can provide a bit of leeway in the budget. To adjust our numbers to increase our budget we will be focusing on new students starting now and over the summer.

The summer program last year had about 150 students, we are looking to scale that back. The day ranged from 8am to 1pm. We are looking to tweak this to save some funds.

**Parental Input:** None at this moment

**Teacher fund request:**

Mrs. Moore is requesting $100.00 for membership fees for FFA and described the environmental impact and need for FFA members.

Mr. Narin is requesting funds for student engagement and relaxation during testing. The first funds are for a drum circle therapy for $600. 00 and the drum circle would be a whole day event that would engage every student and all staff. The second fund request is for a college acapella group to come and perform causing the students to truly engage and become happier during testing and will cost $340.00. The third request is for a hypnotist therapists, this is mainly for high school. This is for a lifelong experience and different experience for our students. This is for $900.00 and is more flexible as to the program.

Mrs. Winter is requesting funds for a learn-on-demand printer, which includes a digital program, scanner, and printer and a laminator. The request is not for full funding, this cost is being distributed through grants, PTO and a SAC request. This is a truly customizable system and can print out pretty much everything. This price will include ink, paper and all materials required to operate as well. The funds requested are for $2000.00. Total cost is $6000.00, but funds are being split. This is a school initiative.

Discussion for funding: Mr. Sirak this would max out our budget if all approved. The acapella group is nice, but we have one close to home and the hypnotherapy may be difficult to sell to parents. Possible other events instead of Mr. Narin’s requests.

Mrs. Williams brought up we are looking into possibly covering ACT costs for students.

Mrs. Alexander, if all funds are not found for the printer set-up, what is next? Mrs. Winter is going to finding funding elsewhere, but that becomes more difficult.

Motion for approval for everything except the $900.00 hypnotherapy by Mrs. A., amended by Mrs. Mignerey to include an extra $800.00 set aside for ACT funds for students in the process. The amended motion was seconded by Mrs. Abbramowitz and then approved with all voting in favor.

**Open forum:** We need to have one more afternoon session. We need to start thinking of a date. Possibly coupled with the academies, and looking at April 26th meeting for the afternoon session. We will rediscuss this in the March meeting.

**Adjournment:** Ashley Jasmin motioned to adjourn at 9:10 am. Seconded and approved.

**Upcoming Meeting Date:**

Thursday, March 22nd, 2018

Respectfully Submitted,

Ryan Sirak

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