PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL Minutes 2019 November 19 - 7:00 pm

Attended: Sue Zettler, Lena Schofield, Rajiv, Dean McInnis, Audra Donison, Shirley Gau, Leanne Dragon

- 1. Agenda Approved
- 2. October 10, 2019 minutes approved
- 3. Welcome to Rajiv as the new Trustee for ESJF
- 4. Standing Reports
 - a. **Anaphylaxis Committee-** Completed: staff are trained, posters are displayed, Naloxone kits, AEDs, EpiPen locations are known. Still to do: training of students, TBA. The Anaphylaxis document was shared via email prior to the meeting.
 - b. Grad Council upcoming events: Games night(to be rebooked by Dec 1), Christmas tree decorating. No events in January. Parent Grad meeting Thursday Nov 28 7 pm. Dean is negotiating with City on deorating dates.
 - c. Student Council- upcoming: Christmas toy drive, winter dance
 - d. Trustee Report Rajiv shared personal and professional history. New Board Chair is Tina Drew, Satish is V.Chair. At the retreat they completed a self-evaluation and a Superintendant evaluation. Looking for a successor for Metro, hiring a consultant to help. Other items: the roof at WMS, and the JHS accommodation plan.
 - e. Principal's Report- Dean reviewed upcoming events, and discussed the JHS move: there will be 4 classes of Gr 8s coming to ESJF, located close to office area, all together. There will be team teaching. The Gr 8s will participate in ESJF sport teams.
 - **f.** Chairperson Report –PAC Chairs meeting was postponed to Tues Nov 26 12 pm at Board office, all are welcome.
- **4. Topics for open discussion:** High risk students, ESL students, special needs students, gifted students, students with unique talents/interests, Knowledge & Employability (K&E) student issues. **Parking Lot Items:** Keys to Success, Screens and Teens

5. Old Business

a) Parent Meetings – Tonight we discussed article "7 reasons to let your kid fail". It was agreed that the opportunity to discuss topics of common interest to the school and parents would be valuable, and that these discussions would be best done at PAC meetings, as opposed to scheduling a seperate evening. We will cover 1 topic each month, chosen by Dean. He will note the topic/ article and the opportunity to discuss it at the upcoming PAC meeting, in the monthly newsletter sent out at the beginning of each month.

6. New Business

- a) Upcoming Meeting dates for 2020
 - December 12, 12 pm (Thurs)
 - January 16, 12 pm (Thurs)
 - February 12, 7 pm (Wed)
 - No meeting in March
 - April 9, 12 pm (Thurs before Easter weekend)
 - May 13, 7 pm (Wed)
 - June 11, 12 pm (Thurs)
- b) Parent Teacher Discussion: 7 Reasons to let your kid fail

Next meeting: December 12, 12:00 pm

Parking Lot:

Awards Ceremony in June (Lena, put on Feb agenda)