

**Ocean Palms Elementary
School Advisory Council Meeting
Kitchen Resource Room
March 6, 2025**

Meeting Convened: 3:15pm

Adjourned:

SAC Members:

SAC Member	Present	Absent
Lisa Blach	x	
Tiffany Cantwell		x
Jennifer Dean	x	
Lisa Farese		x
Jill Frein	x	
Faie Pellegrino	x	
Cara Roach	x	
Jill Sheen	x	
Jennifer Werba	x	
Stacey Mayer	x	
Sierra Boyce	x	
Becky Rosetti		x
Julie Roberts		x
Robyn Carr		x
Quorum met with at least 51% of total members present: Yes		

Guests Present: Jenny Fitch, Kim Bays, Michelle Frecks, Lynn Conroy

Excused: T. Cantwell, L. Farese, B. Rosetti, J. Roberts, and R. Carr

Call to order: 3:15

Welcome New Members:

Welcome! Please be sure to sign the attendance sheet.

Review Minutes from February 13, 2025:

Motion to approve the minutes was made by J. Sheen; S. Mayer seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

Approve Agenda for March 6, 2025

Motion to approve the agenda was made by S. Boyce; J. Sheen seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

Current Financial Report – J. Frein

There is a balance of \$638.46 in SAC fund 102 and a balance of \$1,615.07 in SAC fund 805 bringing our total to \$2,253.53

Funds Request- J. Frein

Mrs. Blaich, Ms. Conroy, and Mrs. Frecks presented a funds request in the amount of \$2,700 for STEAM in the Park for Professional Development.

Motion to deny the funds request in the amount of \$2,700 for STEAM in the Park Professional Development was made by S. Boyce; C. Roach seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

SAC would like to investigate other possible sources of funding for the Professional Development and invite Mrs. Blaich, Ms. Conroy, and Mrs. Frecks back to the April 2025 SAC meeting to review and discuss their funds request.

SAC Survey – F. Pellegrino

The SAC Survey opened on February 19th and will close tomorrow, March 7th. The grade level with the highest response rate will receive a popsicle party incentive. If at least 60% of the staff respond to the survey they will be incentivized with a coffee bar. As of today 30%, of our parents have responded, exceeding our goal of 20% participation. 75% of our staff have responded, exceeding our goal of 60% and currently fifth grade is in the lead with a 52% response rate. We will review the data and final results at our next SAC meeting.

Draft Ballot for the School Recognition Funds- F. Pellegrino

Draft Ballots were distributed to all staff members on February 14, 2025 and they had until February 28, 2025 to provide feedback to the SAC chair. No draft ballots were returned for feedback.

Motion to approve the School Recognition Funds Ballot for the 2024-2025 school year was made by J. Sheen; S. Mayer seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

SAC Focus Group Update- F. Pellegrino

Mr. Jim Wheeler, Operations and Student Programs Director, of INK provided an update that included:

- Senior scholarships are open and available until March 25, 2025. The application is online only and \$40,000 is available for seniors. There are merit and needs based awards available.
- UF Lastinger Center is in partnership with the New Worlds Reading Foundation. The New Worlds Reading Foundation provides free books for students who aren't reading on grade level. They are hosting a Family Fun Night at Picolatta Crossing on March 11th for anyone interested in attending.
- Take Stock in Children, a scholarship and mentoring program focused on high school students, is available. It is an income-based program.
- INK is hosting a Golf Fundraiser event on April 14th for anyone interested.

District and Legislative Updates from Mr. Forson:

- Platform of the district is to support school safety initiatives, increase administrative efficiency, and to fund schools adequately.

Principal's Update – K. Bays, Assistant Principal

Mrs. Cantwell was unable to attend today's meeting due to a required district training. Ms. Bays, Assistant Principal, shared information about understanding learning gains on the FAST assessment.

Public Question Period

Adjourned 4:10 pm

Motion to adjourn was made by J. Sheen; S. Boyce seconded the motion.