

SARASOTA ACADEMY OF THE ARTS

MINUTES OF THE May 15, 2014

STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC) MEETING

Location:

Sarasota Academy of the Arts
4466 Fruitville Road
Sarasota, FL 34232

Council Members Present in Person:

Cecilia Blankenship, School Principal
Kathy Bechtel, School Staff Member
Jeffrey Kolowith, School Staff Member
Joseph Solano, School Board Member
Sabrina Lugo, Parent and SAC Secretary
Leyanit Barron-Moreno, Parent

Council Members Absent:

Slade Williams , SAA Student President

Guests Present:

None

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m.

REPORTS:

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the May 1st meeting were distributed and reviewed by all. A motion was made to approve the minutes from the May 1st meeting. The motion carried and the minutes were approved.

Old Business:

Cecilia requests that having a bus for athletics would be good. It could cost \$10K for sports events alone. Cecilia said she spoke with students who said they want more fieldtrips next year. Can SAC make a recommendation to the board for a bus? A proposal should entail the cost of the bus, including insurance, fuel, maintenance, licensing.

We are still waiting on info about test for next year.

Discussion arose of having summer camp at school. Jeff suggested free camp but charging an arts or sports fee. Cecilia said JRA offers camp, but she doesn't know the

details. I informed them JRA camp is for K-3 grades. JRA preschool is open during the summer. At this time, SAA will not offer summer camp.

SMA Prep is not impacting us as much as was originally thought. We know that 3 middle school students are definitely leaving to go to SMA Prep next year. There are two students who will be home schooled next year.

New Business:

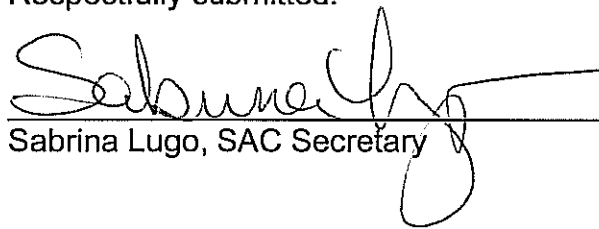
SAC plans for Fall – over the summer we need to think about recruiting members. Orientation will be a good time for that as well. We need more input from parents. Jeff mentioned trying to get at least one parent from each grade. We need to work on getting a community member involved in SAC for next year as well.

PALS opens August 1st for next school year. We do not have a date for the picnic yet, but last year it was in June. Cecilia says Kelly and Matt will probably work on that.

The first SAC meeting for next school year is August 7th at 5:00 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Sabrina Lugo, SAC Secretary

Date: 5/16/14