

PAC Meeting Minutes – March 18, 2019

[Minutes recorded by Stephanie Joumas, PAC Secretary]

6:30: Meeting called to order by Fiona Barshow, PAC Chair. We welcomed Cameron McQuillian, Junior, and Mohammed, Sophomore.

6:35-6:44: CASIIT Program Update – Ms. Renberg

- CASIIT = Center for Applied Sciences Interactive Information Technology.
- Program was rebranded to include all the sub-parts to the specialty.
- State made a big change, requiring Freshmen to be dual-enrolled. May enable future graduating CASIIT students to have an AS Science degree at the end of high school. Requires college testing of 8th graders enrolled in the program.
- Bringing back Robotics, Sustainability, and Cyber Security. Each year, plan to bring back new courses that the marketplace requires.
- Program might have too many students enrolled.

6:45-6:55: Mini-thon Update – Ms. Starkey/Cameron McQuillian

- Year long fundraiser for Pediatric Cancer. Concludes with a 12-hour mini-thon 3/29-30.
- \$25K raised so far; goal this year is \$50K. Lots of corporate sponsors this year.
- There are 4 websites for donations: money, food, supplies for games, and adult volunteers.
- Spectator hours this year: 8-11pm. Entrance fee is any \$ donation.
- 160 dancers this year. Live streaming.

6:55-7:10: SOL Testing Participation – Ms. Starkey

- Starkey handed out SOL Testing Participation Notification sheet; this will be sent to parents later in the week.
- State changed the requirements for SOL testing; less SOL testing this year and future years.
- Counselors will review graduation requirements and the SOL testing participation.
- Parents can opt to have their child take additional SOL tests if they want.

7:11-7:54: Grading Regulation/New Gradebook Update – Mr. Childress

- Mr. Childress distributed Regulation 661-3 for review and discussion.
- Having standards-based grading has been Battlefield's focus the last few years.
- Three parts to the regulation: Assessment, Grading, Reporting.
- Teachers were trained to write learning targets.
- Easier to see student successes and failures when the grades are broken down to "standards".
- Some classes allow retakes if formatives and home works are done. Summative scores seem to rise when these activities are done.
- Administration gave teachers the flexibility on carrying out the regulation. Not all teachers have consistent policies, and that has caused some problems for students (and retake policies).

7:55-7:59: Mental Health Presentation Update – Ms. Barshow

- This will be discussed in a future meeting.

8:00: Meeting Adjourned