Sheridan Technical College & Technical High School

School Advisory Council October 7th, 2022

11:45 AM to 12:45 PM

**Members in Attendance:**

Cara Daniel; Alfonso Arevalo; Denise Vajanc; Esther Charles; Clara Gilbert; Anthony Matranga; Cedric Alexander; Tony Lopez; David Clark; Jennifer Jennings; Florence Murphy; Frank Licolli; Yvette F. Katz; Terri Cuddie; Grace Alvarez; Jadore Marion; Rebecca Alvarez; Emilia Fiebel; Ashely Acero Rodriguez

*Guests in Attendance:* Wendy Sanchez; Barrett Goldman; Mary Barba; Jose Laverde

*Members Excused:* Darren Stokes; Lynn Goldman; Tristan Saleh; Satonya Baker Davis; Erica Salguero

**Call to Order/Self-Introductions:**

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Cara Daniel at 11:45 am. Each member and guest introduced themselves.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Ratified minutes from May 2022 meeting. *Motion by Clara Gilbert. Seconded by Frank Licolli*

**Old Business:**

Director’s Report: Cara Daniel

Moment of silence was observed for the Ft. Lauderdale High School student that took his life. Resources for suicide prevention were discussed including a social worker for high school and post-secondary students. Participants were encouraged to report suspicious activity and mentioned the numbers to call for suicide help: Dial 9-8-8 for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline; Dial 2-1-1 for the First Call Help Line; and 754-321-4351 for the Mental Health Hotline.

*School Accountability Funds*

There is $37,830.70 in reserve. Ms. Daniel explained that SAC will revisit the use of funds and decide how to spend in the next meeting. She also discussed that these funds could be spent on high school student programs and competitions.

Ms. Yvette Katz inquired how clubs could apply for the money. Ms. Daniel will have more details next month.

**New Business:**

* Introduction of Ms. Wendolynn “Wendy” Sanchez, as a new Assistant Director. Ms. Sanchez will oversee the high school until a permanent Assistant Director is hired. She brings over 20 years of experience with the District including 15 years as a High School Assistant Principal.
* Ms. Daniel distributed Student Performance Data for the high school and college and discussed college and high school metrics.
* The 2022-23 Teacher of the Year is Nicole Alexander. School Related Employee of the Year is Cristian Raymond. Administrator of the Year is Mary Barba.
* Ms. Daniel discussed smart fund money. We are waiting on the go-ahead for the media center renovation. Additionally, the high school needs a roof replacement. The permitting process should be complete by November 2022. Funds will also be used to purchase ping-pong tables for the high school.
* Ms. Sanchez introduced herself to the group and discussed her experience and professional goals.
* Mr. Khan has been promoted to a district position.

*COE*

Mary Barba presented new information regarding academic programs.

* The Two-year data was sent out. Due to Covid, we now have allowable exceptions to our programs, which means we can discount student data under certain conditions.
* We are right on track for COE.

*School Improvement Plan*

* Ms. Sanchez discussed, the plan for the high school will include a focus on Math and English, with an emphasis on After-School tutoring. There are support services to improve student performance on End of Course exams.
* Additional AP courses will be included in the curriculum next school year.

*Mission/Vision Statement*

Ms. Daniel read the Vision/Mission Statements for Sheridan Technical College & Technical High School

* *Motion to accept Vision/Mission Statements by Clara Gilbert and seconded by Tony Lopez.*
* *Motion passed unanimously.*
* *Motion to pass Bylaws by Clara Gilbert and seconded by Tony Lopez.*
* *Motion passed unanimously*.

**Assistant Director’s Reports:**

**Mary Barba:**

* Enrollment for Cosmetology program and Culinary has increased, and we have similar numbers to 2018 and 2019, before the COVID pandemic.
* The marquee is up and running. Salon services (barbering, facials, haircut, coloring, etc) has begun to experience a growth in customers since the marquee was installed.
* Facilities projects including painting, cleaning, floor installations are being completed.
* Ms. Barba expressed gratitude to her colleagues.

**Barry Goldman**:

* Enrollment is up in all programs.
* Sheridan Technical College is now a Prometric testing site for all ASE examinations.
* The Automotive Department will participate in the Miami Auto show, providing us the opportunity to highlight our programs. Derrick T. Montanez (instructor) will bring our Automotive Mobile lab and conduct an Electric Vehicle talk for first responders at the show.
* Congratulated Darren Stokes and Rick Case for displaying STC programs at Junior Achievement storefront and World & Finance Park.
* Our CVD program is enhancing safety training for students. They are presenting a course for the Florida Department of Transportation.
* Edgar Solis, who runs the Audi program has 48 students who 100% work in industry.

**Jose Laverde:**

* CTE programs now match their pre-Covid numbers.
* We will soon begin Saturday ESOL and GED programs as well as a Spanish GED program. There is currently 867 students in our ESOL classes. This is an increase from 499 students last year.
* At the high school, the Legal Assistant program instructor took students to the 17th circuit court and participated in the Informed Voters Program.
* Our nursing students are now working at Memorial Hospital.

*Safety and Security*

Mr. Cedric Alexander presented a safety and security report. He thanked the administration for putting security first to ensure our students have a safe place to learn. He discussed the new protocols for the Plain Language Response.

**Student Reports:**

SGA: Student Body President Emilia Fiebel

* Plans to do more community-based projects this year
* Thirty students participated in the Beach Clean-Up event on September 24th in collaboration with the Earth Echo International and Marine Environmental Education Center.
* They are holding a Socktober event, collecting socks for the Women in Distress Organization.
* There will be a pep rally on the 4th co-sponsored by SGA and the class of 2023 (pending administrative approval).

Class of 2023 President

* 50 hoodies sold at Senior Hoodie Sale.
* Placed a $4,000 deposit for the 2023 Senior Prom.
* We are planning a homecoming dance with the class of 2025.
* The deposit for prom tickets will be $50.

Class of 2024 President

* Class T-shirts will cost $15 a shirt pending purchase.
* Poppins popcorn sales are $900 from the 2021-22 school year.
* Will hold car wash / $10 per car
* Potential Fundraisers Chipotle, Lovely Roses for Valentine’s Day, Galaxy Skateway.

Class of 2025 President Jadore Marion

* Tickets for Homecoming Dance will be available on October 3rd and the theme is “Happily Ever After”.

**Important Dates**

October 20th - Early Release

October 21st and November 8th - Employee Planning days.

November 10th - Report cards will be issued.

November 11th - Veterans' Day

Motion to Adjourn: Alfonso Arevalo made motion to adjourn seconded by Rebecca Alvarez.

Next SAC meeting is on November 30, 2022.