## Northwestern High School SIC School Improvement Council Meeting Minutes Monday, December 11, 2017

The NHS SIC met on Monday, December 11 at 6:00 PM in F-101. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Kathryn Castillo. The following members were present: Bridget Elmore, James, Blake, Kathryn Castillo, Denise Ciobanu, Victoria Wilford, Hannah Freeman, Courtney Shipman, Eileen Curry, Trey Parrish, Chrissie Robbins, Dawn Pursley and David Corbin.

The minutes from the November 13, 2017 meeting were distributed and approved.

## Principal's report (James Blake)

- 1. Mandatory PEAK for end of semester began today for remainder of first semester.
- 2. Spirit Week this week
- 3. Student Council gives back to community with Blessing Bags: gloves, chap stick, lotion, soap, and tissue for homeless population through Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen
- 4. Construction Report
  - a. Still working on D and E building
  - b. Digital display board may have to downsize or come down completely due to inability to attach it to new stucco on side of building
  - c. Best baseball building on schedule to be released beginning of February
  - d. A schedule to get new windows during holiday
  - e. Main stairway to be fixed over holidays
  - f. New Fire panel still being installed
  - g. 100 new cameras being installed, replacing old analog and adding new ones
  - h. B building HVAC on schedule, currently on roof fixing it to handle the new system
  - i. Intercom system still be worked on
- 5. After break we will have drill simulations on procedures for active shooter situation
- 6. School Report Card released
  - a. State Web site, ours shows 12-13-14 until 2017 tab, can compare two other schools to NHS
  - b. Comparison from last year to this year:
    - i. This year slightly lower
    - ii. EOC data skewed due to realignment of scores

## **New Business**

1. #Teachlikeme on Twitter, shared by Susan Snyder to showcase classrooms of today

- 2. Mr. Blake has mentioned our goal of showcasing student work in town to the Art department and they are more than willing to get student work together to go anywhere we can get it. Students cannot really sell it to a business, they can however be commissioned with donation to the school Art department.
- 3. AS part of our goal we need business locations to showcase our school. If you can think of some of these send them to Mrs. Castillo so we can get this started. E-mail to her at kcastillo@rhmail.org
- 4. Review of calendar events
- 5. Mr. Blake will e-mail out guidelines for food sales on campus.
- 6. 25 Palmetto Fellows: 1200 Sat, 24 ACT and top 6%
- 7. Grades due in January, so Powerschool will be closed so students cannot see averages over holiday. This is done because as teachers work on grades and two different systems connect we sometimes experience issues and we do not want students to see something that not finalized as correct.
- 8. Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>: TORCH/ PBIS 400 students with no tardies and no referrals had 4<sup>th</sup> block time movie. (Polar Express)
- 9. Question about taking an English and Math every year. In past it has been strongly recommended and for next year it will be required. All students will be required to be in an English and a math every year of high school.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 6:00 pm in the Cottage. Change of date due to Monday scheduling conflicts.