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African American Parent Advisory Council (AAPAC)

13 March 2018 Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions

II. Agenda review

III. Review and acceptance of February minutes

IV. AAPAC @ Literacy Night 3/23 (Yolanda, Lauren, Nicole)

V. Principal's report - May walk thru date confirmation

VI. Teacher's report

VII. AAPAC smart goal:

- AALBC dates and parent volunteers

- Black History Month wrap up

VIII. Scheduling future meetings

IX. New business

X. Adjournment

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African American Parent Advisory Council (AAPAC) Meeting & Potluck

March 13th 2018 Minutes

Present: Team Members: Yolanda Vierra Allen, Nicole Flack, Francina Davis, Christina Rice

Visitors: Charlotte Whitemon, Tutor, Lauren

22sec: Last month’s minutes were approved

35sec.: Nicole proposed that we have a group trip to take the kids to see A Wrinkle in Time, Yolanda suggested perhaps sometime over Spring Break so for now the date is tabled.

48sec: Why are we not on the school calendar, or newsletter or the weekly phone call?

Yolanda will speak to the principal to make sure we are included on all three.

1:29: The Agenda was approved.

6:10: The meeting is being recorded for the Minutes; everyone was ok with it, the recording will be deleted promptly after.

6:51: March 23rd School Literacy Night, we were originally asked to run a game for the older students, then asked to run Ms. Smith’s Class game. Then Ms Smith informed us she just wanted her students to run her class’ game. So we will not be participating as a group.

14:30: The African American books have been displayed in many different classrooms and they look beautiful. We hope to be able to get the books again next year. It will be up to our group to keep promoting it, at the same time we are in line to be a Mafanikio school.

19:23: Principles Report: Mrs Randhawa is not present today to present a report. Yolanda shared that they met with Teneh, WCCUSD Family Engagement Consultant. We are hoping she will come to a meeting to work with our entire team. She is preparing a tool kit for all district AAPACs that has team building exercises and other resources. So at every meeting we will have some community building exercise we can do, as well as offer a training to help parents learn to better support their children.

26:04: There was a suggestion for Buddy Reading, Where our older African American students can partner up with the younger ones on days we're not doing book club however the obstacle there is that they go to lunch at different times

26:24: Because we only had a limited money to buy a limited number of books perhaps going forward, we can ask the PTA to sponsor some books for us because we only have one book per class.

28:57: Maybe we could have a fundraiser to raise money for books, The Golden State Warriors donate books, as well as a place called First Books, and our local Chamber of Commerce. Yolanda asked Francina to take the lead on researching possible resources

29:50: We should consider offering students rewards for reading the books we gave to the classrooms, like for writing about it in their reading log.

35:06: Teacher’s Report: No teacher was present, but the tutor hired to provide intervention instruction to African American students was present and offered a report. She shared some anecdotal information of her experiences. All of our children are awesome and grateful for the attention. Too many are feeling less than and just not good enough. It would be great if we can get a homework club next year to offer support and raise the children’s self confidence in their academic abilities. All of our teachers need an aide.

1:08:02: The AALBC book club will be starting Wednesday the 21st during lunch. Each grade level will meet separately reading a different book, with the exception of TK and Kinders who will be reading the same book but in separate classes.

1:10: African American History month (AAHM) wrap up : This year has been the most visible AAHM in Olinda’s history. There was more signage, and more lessons about African American greats. Poets were featured as well as inventors, and current iconic figures. The books have also made a big impact. There was more excitement surrounding AAHM and students are talking about what they want for next school year’s AAHM.

1:24: Next meeting 4/17/18 @ 4:30pm

Nicole to check spring break showtimes for Wrinkle in Time. Aiming for first showing of the day.

1:37: Meeting adjourned