ALACHUA eSCHOOL

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES

December 2, 2021 *(virtual)*

**Member in Attendance**

Dr. Mallory Becker

Alex Sarosi

Mary Benedict

Kate Lafler

Kenya Tolbert

**Non-Member in Attendance**

Katie Rohan

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 pm by Dr. Becker.

**Welcome/Introductions**

Dr. Becker welcomed everyone to the first meeting for the school year, and had all those in attendance introduce themselves.

**Principal’s Update**

Student enrollment is considerably lower than last year – Secondary has approximately 450 full time students and elementary has just under 400. There are also close to 2,000 students taking part-time classes, most of them in the eSchool labs at the high schools and 1 middle school.

There are 6 elementary and 11 secondary, full-time teachers, along with 15 adjunct teachers. While this is considerably lower than last year, it is still way above the numbers during the years prior to Covid.

The question of possibly fundraising for different needs was brought up. Mary Benedict said she was not familiar with any in the past. Over the years there has been talk of a PTA for eSchool, but it has never materialized.

**Finance Requests**

There were no financial requests submitted.

**Meeting Dates**

Currently there will be 3 more meetings scheduled for the remainder of the year – Monday, February 7th, Monday, April 4th and Monday, May 16th.

**SAC Member Concerns/Comments**

Mary Benedict said there were concerns over the summer that there would be a lot of staffing change but overall no other concerns. She also asked if the after-school tutoring being offered by the District was available to eSchool students. It is and it is free to all students. It is called ‘Beyond the Bell’ and the information and registration are on the District website.

Dr. Becker will check with the District Finance department to see if there are any SAC funds available now that we have established a SAC Committee for eSchool.

The next meeting will be at 5:30pm on Monday, February 7th. Dr. Becker will send out the invite to attend.

With no other questions or concerns, the meeting adjourned at 5:57pm.