

Gainesville High School Advisory Council Minutes
October 5, 2020

Virtual Meeting via Google Meets

Members in Attendance

David Shelnutt
Steve Bauer
Keith Watts
Anastasia Albanese-O'Neal
Damond Hutchinson
Tara Montgomery
Erin Smith
Florida Bridgewater Alford
Julio Sarmiento
Janet Gil
Katie Rohan

Call to Order

Keith Watts called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.

Approval of Minutes

After reviewing the minutes from the September meeting, Steve Bauer made a motion to approve the minutes, Julio Sarmiento seconded and the minutes were approved.

Financial Report

Mr. Shelnutt went over the Financial Report. The balance in ADS as of 10/05/2020 is \$243,085.15; balance in LOT is \$51,058.28; for a total of \$ 294,143.43.

Principal's Comments

Mr. Shelnutt stated that he is very proud of our students, parents, faculty and staff, as well as the community support for making a challenging situation as positive as possible. He updated us on the number of COVID-19 cases at GHS. Currently we have 2 students and 1 faculty/staff who have tested positive. As one of the students is a football player, the entire football team has

been quarantined. At this time, none of these players has tested positive. He also gave a quick explanation of the number of days someone must quarantine.

Progress reports for the 1st nine weeks will be going home tomorrow (10/6). This week is spirit week, with each day a different theme for students and staff to dress up.

Many parents are 'flip-flopping' their students between brick and mortar and digital academy. The DOE has approved digital academy through the first semester.

Financial Requests

Steve Bauer submitted 3 quotes and a request for the purchase of a new, zero-turn mower to maintain the athletic fields. Rural King - \$4,401.59; John Deere - \$7,422.03; Gatorland Kubota - \$8,449.22. He is requesting that we purchase the mower from Rural King, and stated that all on-going maintenance costs for field upkeep will come from the Field Maintenance account. After discussion Janet Gil made the motion to purchase the mower from Rural King as quoted, Tara Montgomery seconded and the motion passed unanimously. **\$ 4,401.59**

Toby Hunter has requested \$1500 to purchase laptops for her ESE and Reading classes. Tara Montgomery offered to check and see if the ESE Department had any that could be used, and after discussion, it was decided to table the request. If ESE Department is not able to supply them, she will have Mrs. Hunter give us more specifics as to how many laptops she needs.

SAC Concerns/Comments

Keith Watts gave a 'shout out' to Janet Gil for filling in for him at the DAC (District Advisory Council) meeting. Ms. Gil was happy to attend and reported there was much discussion on the zoning for the new elementary school being built. It is scheduled to be completed in time for the opening of school next year (Aug, 2021).

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 2, 2020 at 5:30 pm via Goggle Meets. Mr. Shelnutt will send out the invite after 5:00.

With no other comments or concerns, the meeting was adjourned at 6:18 pm.