

# Ketterlinus Elementary School

## School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

**Location:** Media Center **Date:** 2/20/2024 **Time:** 7:45 **Meeting Called to Order:** 7:56 am

Attendance	M or A	Attendance	M or A
Jossy Taylor	M	Cara Shaw	M
Tidman Ikosi		Matt Brown	M
Tabitha Frost	M	Danielle Somerville	A
John Wooldridge		Cyndie LaFontaine	M
Allison Baker	A	Bethany Hilbert	M
George Mastoridis		Kathy Tucker	M
Catherine Williamson	M	Savanna Brown	
Jacqueline Provoost		Jaime Smith	
Sandi Zeljko		Frankie Portelos	
Kim Bays		Alison Neumark	
<b>Quorum- Yes</b>			

**Call to Order:**

A Virtual/Live meeting of the Ketterlinus School Advisory Council was held on February 20, 2024 via Zoom and in person. Bethany Hilbert called the meeting to order at 7:56 am.

- I. Welcome & Handouts
- II. Motion to approve January minutes- Cara Shaw & Katie Mahon
- III. SAC General Information
  - a. Finance Report- Total- \$8, 032.16, but will be less once the funds for literacy night are removed.
  - b. Principal's Report- In-take conferences are beginning this week and continuing through next week. Mr. Ball will be taking the Honors Chorus to St. Augustine High School later this week to perform.
- IV. Old Business- No old business
- V. New Business

- a. School Needs Assessment Survey Update- Survey was sent out for review. Open for discussion/questions to members: Issues with how to answer certain questions if a family has more than one student at the school with varying abilities, which would require different answers. Suggestion was to add a comment box since questions 1-13 are from the district and cannot be changed. For parents without a printer, include in the instructions that parents could screenshot and email the survey back. Vote to approve survey- Allison Neumark & Tabitha Frost.
- b. Welcome Gabaldon-Kirstie Principal of Sebastian Middle School: STEM Director, Frankie Portellos came in place of Mrs. Gabaldon. Discussed the STEM opportunities at Sebastian- game design, coding, ring tone design, website creation, biodiversity, aquaponics, and other things pushed through the actual core curriculum. Tuesdays & Thursdays are the club days, which also address many STEM opportunities. Every 6<sup>th</sup> grader will have a STEM class and/or an ICT class. Question about how to know what electives are offered and what are the requirements for more advanced electives- 6<sup>th</sup>- game design>7<sup>th</sup>- spreadsheets, data interpretation, graphing data>8<sup>th</sup>- aerospace and artificial intelligence. Question- What kind of art programs are there? Mrs. Hagy offers a variety of projects, quilting, painting, stop motion animation, etc. Drama & dance are offered and have two new teachers this year. Sebastian has the only middle school orchestra program in the county. Being vigilant of your child's online presence was discussed because there are many opportunities for bullying.
- c. Welcome Kim Bays-Director of Guidance & Choice: Parents can access school choice three times a year for schools that have open capacity. Documents were shared with the available schools and grade levels. Five-year history and projections for growth are taken into account as seats are opened up. Question was asked about the opportunity to get the class back that we lost a few years ago. This will be considered in May and if the principal comes and says we have the seats open and would like to add. We were allowed to add 14 seats for this school year, which was still not enough for another teacher to be added to open another class.
- d. Coach Allen would like to request funds for color changing cups for field day. She is asking for 750 cups, which would be a total of

\$652.50. Approved by Matt Brown and seconded by Jaqueline Provost.

- VI. Good of the group/ Future agenda items / Announcements- At the next meeting, the kindergarten team will be presenting an idea for how to start next year instead of the traditional way. The district will be presenting on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 9 am about the millage and half cent sales tax at the Focus Group meeting.
- VII. Next Meeting: March 26, 2024
- VIII. Adjournment at 8:23 am