

**NORTHWESTERN HIGH SCHOOL  
SIC – SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
February 12, 2018**

The Northwestern High School Improvement Council met on Monday, February 12, 2018, at 6:00 P.M. at Northwestern High School in Rock Hill, South Carolina. The meeting was called to order by Chair Kathryn Castillo. The following members were in attendance: Latasha Brown Baird, James Blake, Karen Brackett Browning, Kathryn Castillo, Denise Ciobanu, David Corbin, Eileen Curry, Bridget Elmore, Dawn Pursley, Chrissie Robbins and Tanya Tucker.

The January 9, 2018 meeting minutes were distributed in writing to members and referenced by Chair Castillo. Mr. David Corbin motioned to accept the minutes as recorded. The motion was seconded by Ms. Tanya Tucker and approved by the body.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT- Mr. James Blake

- Construction Updates – Provided details of projects finalized as well as those still in progress with expected completion dates.
- Alcohol and Drug Testing Policy – Board met on February 12, 2018 to approve the policy
- Flu – Students are absent more than allowed due to the illness. School is having to obtain substitutes for the regular subs due to the epidemic.
- Progress Reports – disseminated on February 12, 2018
- Activities/Sports Updates – Baseball continuing, Wrestlers in competition, Winterguard and Honors Choirs preparing for competition/development.
- Snow Makeup Dates – Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, and Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>
- CHOICE – Everything is on hold due to inquiries regarding CHOICE. What does equitable mean? NH SIC had many questions and concerns regarding the CHOICE plan and requested for School Board Reps to attend a SIC meeting to address concerns regarding Northwestern’s future identity. Principal Blake will invite Dr. Cook and Ms. Holmes to attend a future meeting. SIC members will invite other parents and community stakeholders to attend the meeting once notified of the date and time.
- Student Council/PBS Team working to highlight positive images of past Trojans. SIC members viewed the prototypes of the information on which the students voted.

CHAIR’S REPORT

- Update regarding efforts to showcase student artwork in local businesses

UPCOMING DATES

- February 23, 2018 – PBIS District Visit
- February 24, 2018 – Teacher Recruitment Fair SPHS
- February 27, 2018 –ACT at NHS (Juniors)
- March 9, 2018 – National History Day at Winthrop
- March 12, 2018 – SIC Meeting
- March 16, 2018 – End of Quarter 3
- March 21, 2018 – SAT (Juniors)

CLOSING COMMENTS

Respectfully submitted,

*Karen Brackett Browning*

Karen Brackett Browning, Secretary