## **Rock Hill High School**

320 Springdale Rd. Conference Room A Rock Hill, South Carolina 29730

## School Improvement Council Meeting Notes October 17, 2022 6:00 pm Zoom

Members Present: Kelly Scott (Vice Chair/Parent), Laura Lawson (Parent), Kevin Porter (Parent), Mona Letigio(Parent), Elizabeth Govea(Parent), Reagan Faile-Pilcher (Parent), Nljae Bush (student), Hope Lee (Teacher) and Christine Bell (Teacher)

Kelly Scott welcomed everyone to meeting and last month's notes were approved. Kelly introduced two additional teachers new to the SIC who will be taking the place of Mr. Nunn who is no longer at RHHS. Ms. Lee, Student Council advisor and Family and Consumer Science teacher and Ms. Bell, a social Studies teacher. Ms. Bell mentioned that the teachers and staff are thankful for all the SIC has done for them at school. Ms. Lee agreed to meet with Mr. Ahl to communicate any questions from the SIC and responses back to them each month. She will also share notes with Ms. Stillwell each week for the teacher's Memo.

There was no report from the school.

Kelly reviewed this year's SIC goals with the group. List of accomplishments so far for this first nine weeks is attached to the bottom of meeting notes.

Kelly asked for nominations for officers for this year's SIC. Positions open are Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary. Nominations were received prior to meeting. There was a nomination by Mona of Ms. Bell for Secretary.

Vote was held by sharing the ballot of nominated individuals and asking for the slate of nominees to be approved with a Yes or not approved with a No.

Kelly Scott was elected Chair
Laura Lawson was elected Vice Chair
Christine Bell was elected as Secretary
Two students were also elected. Nijae Bush and Brandon Watson

Information about the NAMI walk was shared and that the SIC walk team had a successful and fun walk. Kelly asked teachers what they thought of the NAMI ETS program that was held for teachers on Friday 10/14. Ms. Lee said the information was beneficial and that the teachers would like to meet Casey Madden. The counselor assigned to RHHS, along with Castle Heights and Independence Elem. Ms. Lee noted that the auditorium was way too big for the event and recommended that a smaller venue be used for events like these in the future. Also asked if there was a power point that could be shared by NAMI.

The NAMI representative Kati Durkee said that the ppt could not be shared because it is owned by NAMI, SC. She recommended some online tutorials that the

participants could follow up with if they desired and that she could share some of the local NAMI Piedmont Tri County resources.

The SIC has organized for Kona Ice to come to school(3 times in fall and 3 times in the spring) and percentage of proceeds to go to the school, as well as, some students to receive free kona ice when they are referred by teachers/admin. A discussion was held about inviting different food truck vendors other than kona ice to students during lunch periods. Ms. Lee is going to check with Principal Ahl to see if that is a possibility.

The SIC is also organizing a teacher Grab n Go breakfast for Halloween. The grab n go will be 10/25 in the A Conference room. Donations were requested and received by RHHS parents. Donuts, muffins, bagels, bars & fruit and waters will be provided.

In an effort for SIC to communicate more with students, the SIC will invite the Student Council officers and any members to attend our November SIC meeting. Agenda items will mostly focus on getting to know the SC representatives and vice versa and how the two groups can communicate to and with one another. This meeting will be held on November 21, 2022 from 6-7pm in the library.

Questions for Mr. Ahl from this meeting:

- 1. Can teachers meet Casey Madden somehow if they haven't had opportunity?
- 2. What is protocol if a teacher or staff member at RHHS is experience crisis situation- severe depression, thoughts or expressing thoughts of suicide to another teacher or staff member at the school during the school day.
- 3. What resources are available within district (maybe online module) for mental health first aid training for any teachers or staff to complete.
- 4. Can future NAMI presentations be in smaller venue other than auditorium?
- 5. Can other vendors come to school during school day at lunch besides Kona Ice?
- 6. From member not in attendance: Can parents be notified when school dismissed sooner than the advertised time? (i.e. 10/14) for the safety and security of our students.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:00 pm

Next Meeting will be at the school 11/21, Media Center (library) 6:00-7:00pm



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- Table at Orientation
- Back to school Donuts & Fruit for teachers and staff
- Posted and re-posted important info
- Partnered w Bearcat Backers & ABA to repost important info
- Restocked Teacher Snack Cart
- Held & Awarded Student Contest for Suicide Prevention Awareness
- Participated in NAMI Walk w team raising awareness & over 900 for NAMI
- Brought Kona Ice to school for students 3 times in fall and spring
- Partnered w Guidance w snacks for College App day
- Partnered w NAMI to bring Ending the Silence Prgm to teachers
- W Elevation, provided sorbet treat for teachers/staff at prof develop.