



**Covington MS FAA**  
**Campus Advisory Council**  
**Minutes**



**Present:**

Jill Tomb  
Erin Ysasi  
Laura Ludwig  
Laura Orlando  
Laura Teague  
Ryan Case  
Dym Burns  
Amanda Moore  
Carrie Cothran-Williams  
Brad Angermeier  
Jeff Armstrong  
Diana Bujan  
Santiago Casiano  
Tai Choice  
Rosa Waters  
Stephanie Bradshaw  
Ana Lawrence  
Dawn Piper  
Joanna Brown  
Gloria Franco

**October 30, 2018**

- I. **Call to Order/Review Minutes (2 minutes):**  
Correction to Last Minutes: Stephanie Bradshaw was not in attendance.  
Minutes approved from 8/25/18.
  
- II. **Citizens' Communication (if needed) (5-10 minutes)**  
Laura Teague, bookkeeper, and Dawn Piper, art teacher, reported that the new sign permit was not approved by the city for the neighborhood. The original sign was 12' tall with an LED light. The new proposed sign is marquee style and 6' tall at the top and 24" from ground to sign at the bottom. Suggestion:

plant shrubs at the base as a barrier/deterrent. The engineer, site inspection, and permit process still need to be paid. Piper passed around renderings of the sign to members. Thanks to PTA for raising the money.

III. Human Sexuality and Responsibility Survey (5-10 minutes)

Tai Choice, principal, presented the district powerpoint of the rationale, requirements, and process for approving revisions to the Human Sexuality Curriculum. She tabled completion of the lengthy survey/CAC input until the November meeting. The CAC must determine a consensus for each item on it. Choice distributed the survey so that members could review items before the next meeting.

Kym Burns, health and PE teacher, helped develop Human Sexuality Curriculum and is available to answer questions.

Carrie Cothran Williams, 6th-grade parent rep, asked about previous curriculum to compare to items on survey and see any intersections. Choice said the curriculum is in the library and may be viewed by parents, staff, etc.

All school CACs must complete survey. The district is hosting three public meetings as well: Travis High School, November 8; Lanier High School, November 13; Eastside High School, November 15.

The district will also consider federal standards and local guidelines and the American Academy of Pediatrics recommendations.

There will be an opt-out option from some or all of the lessons. Notice will be sent three weeks before the two-week unit begins in May.

Timeline for Revision(s):

December - Share to SHAC

January - Board reviews

January through June - Lessons will be determined and aligned to scope and sequence.

IV. Roles and Responsibilities of CAC Members Summary (5 minutes)

Laura Ludwig, co-chair, said she was the time keeper and would honor our time. Ludwig said that CAC guidelines allowed for rotation of secretary and encouraged others to volunteer. Ludwig said officers are elected and encouraged others to run. She will be out on pregnancy leave. Ana Lawrence, PTA and 8th-grade parent rep, said she would run. Ludwig notes that members with poor attendance might be dropped.

V. Review Campus Improvement Plan (15-20 minutes)

Choice said our plan was sent back Friday. She divided CAC members into groups to look at and report back on sections of it.

- Attendance:

Suggestions for improving: advertise the video doctor, a free online service for parents and students. It might help with medical excuses. Create a visual in cafeteria by grade level to advertise attendance rates. Drop attendance goal temporarily to reward sooner. TAs currently call home on excessive absences, and we do have incentives.

- Health and Wellness:

We are promoting healthy lifestyles. 99.7% of our students are immunized.

- Literacy:

Goal for ELLS: for 50% to move up a level in proficiencies

We have formed a cadre to advance literacy.

We have intervention classes (Take Flight, reading) for students with dyslexia.

We also have Colt Connect Classes for reading intervention.

In writing, we have Authors' Spotlight, Writing Camp, WICOR Strategies (in use in all classes), and Authors' Conference.

- Climate and Safety:

Teachers hold a monthly CST meeting to discuss students of concern and develop plans to address concerns.

This year, students will attend a No Place for Hate Summit and return to school with strategies.

- Advancing the Arts:

Suggestion was made to have an evening in the spring to showcase our student performers before elementary choice sheets are completed.

Piper said we already have an extravaganza planned for January 22. Our fine arts students will perform for potential 6th graders. Choice sheet night will follow on the same evening.

**VI. PTA Report (5-7 minutes)**

-Membership and Financial Support: Lawrence reported on the PTA budget. Checking is \$1013. Savings are \$754. The homecoming dance raised \$800. The Silent Auction was \$848.

-Debrief Homecoming Dance & Upcoming Plans for Reflections

The dance was a success. Next up is the Reflections Banquet on November 8.

Entries were judged last week, and winners will be announced at the banquet.

Both Valentina's and Bush's Chicken are donating food (sliders, chicken, fixings, cups, paper goods, tea). Parents are asked to contribute a side item.

The orchestra will play. The event is free.

**VII. Questions/Concerns (2 minutes)**

None

**VIII. Next Agenda Items: (5 minutes)---Next CAC Meeting: November 27th**

-Credit Recovery Process for Second Semester

-FAA Application Process

-Complete Human Sexuality and Responsibility Survey (Members, please review prior)