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School Advisory Council 2023-2024

The Stony Brook School Advisory Council collaborates respectfully and efficiently while developing and assessing goals towards a common objective in a fun environment that fosters listening and sharing, and encouraging feedback.

Date of Meeting: November 13, 2023

Time: 2:10-3:10

Location: Large Conference Room at Stony Brook

Council Members :

Principal	Allison Hammer	present
Faculty	Helene Orvoen	present
Faculty	Mindy Schnare	absent
Parent	Ramya Soman	present
Parent	Karen Wiczynski	present
Community Rep	Jean Forrester	absent

Agenda:

- 1. Approve minutes from October, 2023 SAC meeting
- 2. Assess where we are with SIP and work to be done (will have handouts)
- 3. Begin looking at the handbook (will have handouts)

Discussion:

- 1. The October meeting minutes were approved unanimously.
- 2. Main goal of today is to analyze of the SIP
 - a. conversation over student-to-teacher ratio
- 3. Focus on goal 3:
 - a. Discussion over panorama survey, results and timeline (January 2024).
 - i. Staff will analyze the date results during the PD in March 2024.
 - ii. Guidance counselors can create specific lessons based on the playbook to cover the area that are identified as needing the most improvement.
 - iii. Students will complete the survey twice this school year and staff members once during PD.
 - b. Activities led in school as pressure valves such Panthermonium games and ADL lessons.

- i. Conversation over homework load and how communication is made between staff (to be discussed during a staff meeting when possible).
- ii. Conversation over how to share information impacting students' results such as how impactful are the extra school activities on students' academics.
- c. Stony Brook is organizing a scheduling task force to check what works with our schedule and what needs to be improved in order to match students' needs.
- d. Free breakfast is available for every student on their way to their advisory.

Decisions: