

School Advisory Council  
Plantation Key School  
October 18, 2022  
Location: PKS

**Call to Order**

5:05 PM by Lauren Dunn

**Attendance**

**Board Members**

Lauren Dunn  
Katelyn Kalus

**Members**

Dave Starke

**Attendees**

Monica Horsley  
Sheena Jacobson  
Krista Hillman  
Jamie Pizer  
Maida Court  
Parks Dunn (Student)  
Katherine Edwards

**Approval of Agenda**

Tabled

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Tabled

**Student Report**

NJHS 1<sup>st</sup> meeting Wednesday 10/19/22  
Student Council – Voting for representatives begins Friday 10/21/22  
Start with Hello Week going really well  
Haunted House for STEM is gearing up. Students getting really excited

**Teacher Report**

Monica Horsley  
Red Ribbon Week next week (10/24/22 – 10/28/22)  
Be Like Mike ending Wednesday 10/19/22  
Gathering donations for those who lost home or have been displaced in Southern Monroe County by Hurricane Ian  
Wednesday 10/19/22 is Unity Day. Asking all students to wear Orange  
Friday 10/28 is a half day. Students will get to go through the Haunted House put on by Mrs. Boyd's STEM class. K-5 will have a carnival in the gym.

All Fall Testing is done. Students did a great job.

### **Principal Report AND SIP**

Maida Court

Students are amazing. We have been working really hard to keep our scores up. Progress is being made and our scores show it.

PKS is the top school in Monroe County with 633 points.

2<sup>nd</sup> school is Key West High School at 609

TVM comes in at 607

Mr. Nelson's algebra class placed 11<sup>th</sup> in the state out of over 1,850 schools

Overall students are lacking in grit and resilience in Monroe County Schools

3<sup>rd</sup> grade is at 64% students reading at grade level. The district wants it to be at 70%, so that is our goal.

Currently have 87 EL students.

We are creating a positive culture and environment. We want students to be excited and happy at school. Healthy Living Initiatives program is an evidence-based program that will focus on improving grit and resilience.

Question from Jaime

115 kids ages 3-5 signed up for Little Kickers. What happens at school when all these kids get to VPK and K ages? Will there be enough teachers?

VPK & Pre-K are funded differently than K-8. We have 2 teachers right now, and that's all. At age 5, students are required to go to school. We will open enough Kindergarten classes to take in all students in our boundaries. May effect students outside of our area.

Question from Katelyn

Does the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade ELA being so low have anything to do with Covid and kids being home?

Yes and no but we are making tremendous strides with these students. Most kids are catching up.

Current 2<sup>nd</sup> grade group hit the hardest and most impacted from Covid. Extra Para's sent to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to help. IE intervention also sent to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classes to help students.

### **School Safety**

Egress and Safety Drills happening every month. Language is based on grade level and will always stay age appropriate.

Students take Say Something very seriously. We believe this will help with swatting calls and anything unsafe that could take place.

School has implemented Safer, Smarter Kids, Say Something, and we have a Safety Club.

Say Something touches on repercussions but focuses on reporting.

Being a K-8 school is very helpful. Staff knows all students very well by middle school and have a very special relationship.

## **Bullying**

Krista Hillman

Safer, Smarter Kids – Focuses on kids reporting (K-5)  
Say Something (Sandy Hook Promise) – Middle school

Value in Kindness, unity, acceptance, and inclusion

World Gratitude Day Sept 21<sup>st</sup>  
Unity Day Oct 19<sup>th</sup>  
World Kindness Day Nov 14-19<sup>th</sup>  
Random Acts of Kindness Feb 13-17<sup>th</sup>  
Earth Day April 21<sup>st</sup>  
Pay it Forward May 5<sup>th</sup>

New students are paired with current students to help them adapt to their new school and feel included  
Also have welcoming for all new students

All students signed a fish to make a promise to be KIND and accepting for Unity Day

Kindness is focused on throughout the year.

All students receive 3 notes a year that tell them something about how kind and loved they are. Great self-esteem booster

Start with Hello – focus on inclusion

Say Something – empowering kids to report anything unsafe to others or oneself

Signs of Suicide (SOS) 7<sup>th</sup> grade only. Giving students the skills to spot signs of peers

Caring Closet – supply closet for students who need anything from supplies to clothes

\*\*Currently low on clothes and larger size male shoes

Maybe we could do a drive to collect more items

## **Field Trips**

Scheduled trips are underway. The biggest challenge is bus drivers. Even if we bought buses, we still don't have drivers. We have people bringing field trips to PKS

## **STEM Fair**

STEM Fair is underway. Michelle House is running this year. Students getting very excited

## **After Care**

Still looking for someone to run the program. Looking for Paraprofessionals and substitutes. Please contact Jay.

## **Academic Booster**

Tabled

**Drop Off & Pick Up**

Line moving smoothly and very quick. Thank you to parents for getting in and out.

Kids released at different times. Seems to be helping line move quickly at pick up.

**Next Meeting**

November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 5:00 PM

**Meeting Adjourned**

Meeting adjourned at 6:32 PM by Lauren Dunn

2<sup>nd</sup> by Katelyn Kalus