

DUVAL VIRTUAL INSTRUCTION ACADEMY

SAC Minutes – 2/23/2021

Attendance:

Brick-and-mortar

Mr. Ertel (principal), Kelly Fanning (teacher/SAC secretary), Christine Moloney (school secretary)

Virtual

Fearell Blue (teacher), Larry Zenke (chairperson), Don Nelson (community member)

Quorum not met.

Call to Order:

A meeting of the Duval Virtual Instruction Academy School Advisory Council was held in the at the Live Campus (Wolfson High School, Rm 56) and in GoToMeetings <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/699375757> on February 23rd, 2021. Dr. Zenke called the meeting to order at 11:30 am. Kelly Fanning will record minutes for this meeting.

New Business:

1. **Welcome.** Mr. Ertel welcomed the attendees and noted the significance of the annual stakeholder meeting. He explained that the purpose was designed for community members and stakeholders to be able to review school data.
2. **Data.** Mr. Ertel gave an overview of the present data— general numbers according to the entire student population as well as subgroups. For example, in math, there are only 80 students in the lower quartile. Mr. Don Nelson (parent) inquired whether parents would know if their student(s) was in the lower quartile for a subject area. Mr. Ertel clarified that subject-area teachers should inform parents of performance data/concerns. Mr. Ertel also noted that there are some discrepancies between the data he has reviewed and the data reviewed by the school’s testing coordinator, Ms. Bogan. Together they are working to discover the cause of the discrepancy and determine accurate data points for student performance.
3. **Testing.** Mr. Ertel provided an overview of the testing requirements and the associated logistics/concerns associated with it as the testing season is fast approaching. He reiterated that the state mandates a 95% success rate for all schools and that these high stakes tests are required to be in-person/brick-and-mortar. He also reiterated that there is currently no “opt-out” available for families. Mr. Ertel communicated that Ms. Bogan (testing coordinator) is arranging for students to test at their neighborhood schools for the EOCs and FSAs, but that any seniors will be prioritized to test at the DVIA live campus, as well as ESE students.
4. **PMAs.** Mr. Ertel explained that the PMAs will be completed online for all DVIA students and that this will hopefully allow parents and students to use their resources to ensure attendance for the authentic state assessments coming in the next few months. The window for DVIA student PMAs will open two weeks after it closes for the rest of the district.
5. **Review of School Improvement Plan (SIP).** Mr. Ertel explained that amendments were made to the school improvement plan in the Spring of 2020 and that much had changed between that time and the opening of school for the 2020-2021 school year. The SIP did address a focus on students in the lower quartile in math. Mr. Ertel affirmed that the DVIA math teachers have been doing a good job meeting the needs of those students and in helping to bridge the knowledge gap. The influx of students has yielded a large number of students who are chronically absent, and the SIP did not account for the massive increase in enrollments and the associated attendance/ truancy/ performance issues.
6. **Student Input.** Katelyn Green (student) communicated insight from a fellow peer in the Beta club. The student (tenth grade) stated that she enjoyed the Edgenuity curriculum and that felt safe doing school online. However, the student did miss the social interaction with friends at her brick-and-mortar school of record. Also, the student felt that the AP course assigned readings made the course slightly more difficult than in the brick-and-mortar setting with a physical textbook.
7. **Announce Next Meeting Time.** Tuesday, March 30th, 2021 at 11:30 am.

Next Meeting Date & Time:

Tuesday, March 30th, 2021 at 11:30 am.

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Name of Recorder: Kelly Fanning

Name of Position on Board: Secretary

Approval Date: _____