**Valley Ridge Academy School Advisory Council**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, October 15, 2024 @ 4pm Location: Media Center**

**Quorum: ESTABLISHED**

1. Call to Order: Samantha Calascione
2. Welcome, Introductions
3. SAC Funding Presentation
   1. District Required PPT - PowerPoint shared to explain how SAC funding can be used, approved, etc. along with information on the school improvement plan (SIP).
      1. Use of funds cannot be overridden by principal or district school staff
      2. Funds from prior year rolls over into the account the following year
      3. SIP is required to address needs of the school. It is developed by the school leadership team. Goals are based on data. SAC advises principal, but principal has the final say.
      4. All funding requests must directly align with the focus areas.
4. New Business
   1. Motion was made to approve the minutes for April 2024. The motion was seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
   2. Motion was made to approve the minutes for September 2024. The motion was seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Review of Finances – presented
   1. Balance $25,630.13
   2. School recognition funds $95,267.41
6. SAC Bylaws
   1. Motion was made to approve the minutes for SAC bylaws. The motion was seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
7. School Board Update: Ms. Kelly Barrera – was unable to attend due to the school board meeting.
8. Principal Update: Ms. Fuller - present
   1. The District is working on developing a plan for the Hurricane make-up days. Students will need to make up the three days missed with Milton, but not the two days with Helene. Several propasals are on the table including eliminating the early release days between November and December, elimination of the Veterans Day holiday, and the teacher in-service on February 14, 2025. They are doing their best to stay away from the Thanksgiving holidays.
   2. Book Fair is going on in the media center. The first evening media center story time was held last month with a great turnout. The next one is scheduled for October 22 at 6:30 in the media center.
   3. The first round of testing is finished. The second round of testing will start in November.
   4. Fun Run Boosterthon – Kickoff is Monday, October 21 and the run is October 29th. Money raised will be used to support grade level requests.
   5. Lots of activities are going on including volleyball, Thanksgiving programs, all working toward the goal of building team spirit.
   6. There continue to be School board referendum presentations. Please consider attending the meeting being held at Nease on Wednesday evening.
9. Closing Thoughts, Comments, and/or Questions:
   1. What would you like to see from SAC this year? Please consider that question and share your thoughts at the next meeting.
10. Adjournment – at 4:30pm. Next meeting scheduled for November 19, 2024 at 4:00pm/
    1. Motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and approved unanimously.