

GAMBLE ROGERS MIDDLE SCHOOL, SAC Minutes – September 14, 2021

Attendance:

Arnold, Yanetta	X	Heffner, Liz	X	Smallwood, Carolyn	X
Chen Mantineo, Crystal		Johnson, Angie	X	Sylvester, Amanda	
Clarke, Jennifer	exc	Kelly, Randy	X	Urban, Lisa	X
Corpuz, Susie	X	Master, Kate	X	White, Allison	
Darlene Delaney		McManus, Kimberly	X	Williams, Charmane	X
Deal, Tricia	X	Melgard, Tracy	X	Wilson, Brian	X
Demaio, Ashley	X	Mignon, Bill	exc	Wilson, Cat	X
Deman, Ashley		Miller, Bill		Ziecheck, Leandra	X
DeMarie, Michelle	X	Miller, Lindsay	X	Downey, Renee	X
Garner, Sonya	X	Phillips, Alexandra	X	Ziecheck, Leandra	X
Greco, Louis	X	Randi Willis	X	Downey, Renee	X
Harris, Jill		Ravizza, Angelica	X		
Heaton, Erin	X	Russell, Will	X		

Call to Order: A meeting of the GAMBLE ROGERS MIDDLE SCHOOL Advisory Council was held in the media center at Gamble Rogers Middle School on 09/14/2021. SAC chairman Tracy Melgard called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. Tracy Melgard will record minutes for this meeting.

Agenda:

- **Welcome:** *Tracy Melgard*
- **Review of Robert's Rules:** *presented by Tracy Melgard*

Things we need to remember this year:

*Call to order.

*Adjournment

- The meeting leader will move for adjournment, signifying the end of the meeting.

*Making a motion: Make Your Motion using "I move that we..."

- Wait for Someone to Second Your Motion
- Another member can second your motion or the Chairman will call for a second.

- **SAC Bylaws and attendance:** *presented by Tracy Melgard*

Key Points:

- Three days written notice will be given to members concerning any item that will be voted on at the upcoming meeting. (Agenda emailed to SAC)
- Members not attending for two consecutive meetings, without an excused absence, will be replaced. Vacancies for parents, teachers, educational support personnel and students will be filled by peer election. Elections to fill vacant positions may be held as necessary throughout the year.

Motion: Lisa Urban made a motion to approve the Bylaws as written. Ashley Demaio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Financial Report/Title One/Principal's Report:** *presented by Brian Wilson*

- We currently have \$0 in the SAC budget.
- Mr. Wilson is retired from Indiana. Excited for this opportunity to be a part of the GRMS family.
- Will be sending out emails weekly, and School Messenger for bigger items

- **Get to Know Gamble:** *presented by Renee Downey, Patrick Halloran, and our GRMS guidance counselors*
 - Mr. Halloran- Dean
 - Ms. Overhold and Mr. Canoura- School Counselors
 - Ms. Willis- phones and front door
 - Ms. Downey- Assistant Principal
- **Media Center Happenings:** *presented by Ms. Melgard*
 - See information on page 3
 - Mrs. Smallwood volunteered to be on the Library Media Advisory Committee
- **Public Comment:**
 - Alex from the public library shared information about upcoming events: eLibrary content: <https://sjcpls.org/econtent/>
 - picture retakes- October 27th
 - Volleyball: Tuesday Sept 21- @ Sebastian
 - Football this Thursday 9/16 at Pedro
- **On the Horizon:**

GRMS SAC 2020-2021 Meeting Schedule

Dates of meeting:

***ALL meetings will be held **ONLINE** on Microsoft Teams and in the Media Center

*All meetings will be from 3:00 to 4:00 unless otherwise stated

- Tuesday, September 14, 2021
- Tuesday, October 12, 2021
- Tuesday, November 9, 2021
- Tuesday, December 14, 2021
- Tuesday, January 11, 2022
- Tuesday, February 8, 2022
- Tuesday, April 12, 2022
- Tuesday, May 10, 2022

- **Meeting Adjournment**
 - **Motion:** Meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m. Ms. Wilson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Smallwood seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

*Submitted by Tracy Melgard 09/14/2021.

MEDIA CENTER UPDATES

Our **main library webpage** has tons of information and links for your students. You can view it under the Departments tab on the left side of the main GRMS webpage. You will then see the **Media Center** link to take you to our webpage. Or you can use this direct link...

<https://www-grms.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/>

On our **links for students** page you will see on the top line **Destiny Discover**.

<https://www-grms.stjohns.k12.fl.us/links/>

That is our online catalog that students can search our library materials to see what is available at any time from anywhere. Below that, you will see a **MackinVIA** link which is the link to our ebook collection. All ebooks are free and the **MackinVIA** app is also free and - can be downloaded on most tablets, phones, and computers for ease of reading. All but one of the SSYRA books is available in MackinVIA. If we are out of the print books in the library encourage your students to read the ebook version. To access the ebooks students just login with their student number and password.

We have just gotten in our first new book order of the year. Don't forget, tell you students if there is a book they can't find in our library to let Mr. Greco know by posting on the **"What should Mr. Greco get next"** window in the library . It is filled with blank sticky notes. Just put the name of the book title, author, or series name and your name and he will get the book for you.

This year we have added genre shelving in the front of the library. There is a section for adventure, romance, mystery, scary, dystopian, and novels in verse. It seems to be making it a little easier for our students to find those popular books in the library.

If you have a student with a reading disability on an IEP they are eligible to get access to over 80,000 audio books via **Learning Ally**. Learning Ally also has a free app. Have students talk to their ESE teacher or Mr. Greco to get access. Learning Ally books are audio books which also show the print text on the screen that is highlighted yellow as it is narrated. These are very helpful for our struggling readers to give them access to grade level text.

Our student produced **RTV News** school news program is available to view online every week at the following link. It is a good opportunity to see what is going on here at Gamble Rogers. You can see the link on the main GRMS webpage, look down the left column and you can click on Newsletter/RTV. If your student is featured you can have relatives or friends access it via the link below.

<https://www-grms.stjohns.k12.fl.us/newsletter/>

We are continuing to do our reading challenges each quarter. Students can read 10 Who Was books or 3 SSYRA books to attend our pizza lunches.