

Parent Advisory Council meeting, New Directions School

Tuesday March 26th 20 24. 7:00 PM

Attendance: Patrick Dineen, Director of education

Dion Byrd, Dean of students

Christine Pollender, PAC chairperson

Christine F, parent

Christina, parent

1. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Pollender at 7:05 PM
2. Dion Byrd, Dean of students, introduced himself. Mr. Byrd provided an overview of his background in education and some of his goals for the program including a spirit week with themed days and a field trip.
3. The student call out procedure was reviewed. Student absences are to be called in no later than 9:00 AM in order to record accurate attendance. Call outs can be given to Patrick Dineen, the support desk, or sent by e-mail. If a student is absent and a call out has not been received a call to the home will be placed and there is 48 hours to excuse the absence.
4. School wide goals for the 2nd semester - General goals included getting acclimated to changes and implementation of policies, as well as increased parent involvement through chaperoning events. A tentative date for field day is April 12th and graduation is scheduled for June 6th. There are 4 seniors expected to graduate in June.
5. PAC meeting time survey review- five parents completed the survey. There was some interest in participating in the PAC, with the Tuesday at 7:00 meeting time being generally favorable.
6. Guardian and student satisfaction survey will be getting sent out.
7. The meeting was adjourned by miss Pollender at 7:30 PM

The next meeting of the PAC will be on Tuesday, April 23 at 7:00 pm. The meeting is held virtually via Google Meets or similar web conferencing platform.