

Charles J. Colgan, Sr. High School
Principal's Advisory Committee (PAC)
September 20, 2018, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Welcome and Introductions: Meeting called to order at 7:03PM

Open Chair Time:

- Great feedback on 2018 Commencement
- Questions about back to school night and parking, the congestion in the parking lot and in the school
- 2019 Graduation planned for June 1 (Saturday am) at Colgan
- Local universities will come to Colgan for a visit, just for seniors (details and deadlines). College fairs for all ages (dates are online, Stonewall HS). Sign up for Dr. Byrds tweets
- Sept 24: Apprentice school, ship building, paid while learning.
- We will try to obtain information about Micron expansion plans and opportunities for students

Chairperson's Time:

Review of meeting minutes from May – passed with motion to amend secretary nomination and result

Superintendent's Advisory Council:

Group has not met yet, Sally Buie represents again this year

PTSO Update:

Meets every third Tuesday at 6:30pm in the library, 79 member families, \$25/per family per year. Teacher appreciation activities, parents have been generous, sponsored spring dance, lots of parent participation, graduation signs – sign up form online

Principal's time:

2538 students (2504 projected), capacity 2100. Sophomore classes largest, school opening went well, shock and awe first few days, builds excitement, rules are covered

654 freshmen

713 sophomores

660 juniors

509 seniors

Administrators visited every single English class, to go over codes of behavior and make a connection. Dr. Healey goes to grade 9 and 12.

New program – focus on internships, job experience or service learning, to prepare for college. Based on a program from Loudoun County, will be grandfathered to freshman but seniors can participate. Students can earn 60 hours of internship experience. Students have to seek the experience, and present to a panel for credit. Most seniors do not take SOLs, so missing end of the year days issue. All senior teachers are aware, there will be info sessions at the October 8 touch base day. This program is not forced on any senior, this is a pilot year, once the job is verified they work and then present on the experience. This will count as “present” attendance mark for school. Colgan will work with students who have important events at the end of school.

Teachers are going to also help find jobs, suggestion to reach out to the Chamber of Commerce. Try to get Dr. Byrd to present to the Chamber of Commerce.

New Business

Discussion of PAC purpose – identify strategies and design action plans, review of FY 16-20 strategic plan. We will review PW county metrics, how is Colgan measured (student achievement, climate, family/community/employee engagement, qualified workforce).

Reviewed School Accreditation (VDOE), and where Colgan was graded for the last two years – based on SOL. Teachers also have a goals plan (individually based)

Collected nominations for Secretary

Meeting Adjourned 8:34pm