

**Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes**

March 18, 2025, 6 p.m.

The Nokesville School – MS Art Room

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| **Attendees** | | |
| Amanda Johnson, principal | Melissa Goodwin | Jasmine Hawkins, Admin Intern |
| Dawn Shaffer, staff | Jeff Brunson, AP | Chrissie VanDyke. staff |
| Erika Weiss | R. Norris | Naureen Ghani |
| Mallory Dove, staff | Nora MacIntosh | Unidentified Cell Number |
| Charlena McCuin | Rob Hawkins | **Student Voice Representatives:** |
| Dawn Gurganious, AP | Denise Lombardi, staff | Shreya (7th) |
| Mrs. Cooper, staff | Kelly Laubenheimer, PTO | Zoya (8th) |

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| **6:02** | **Call to Order, Naureen Ghani (Parent Advisory Council Chair)** |
| * Previous Meeting Minutes: Approved * Motion: Mr. Brunson, Second: Mrs. Dove | |
| **6:03** | **Student Voice Update, TNS Student Voice Representatives/Co-Chair** |
| * Committee has been focusing on International Women’s Month and National Reading Month with displays in the cafeteria   + Ms. Wayne is working with students to update the Student Voice webpage   + Ms. Cooper is working with students on monthly themes * Upcoming Opportunity for Student Voice representatives to meet at the KLC to participate in a round table discussion   + Two 6th grade representatives will be attending from TNS * Mrs. Johnson added that the middle school students will be receiving a survey about lunches | |
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| **6:07** | **Principal’s Report, Mrs. Amanda Johnson** |
| * Review of PWCS Vision and Nokesville R.O.A.R. * Middle of Year (MOY) CIP Update: Commitment #2 – Positive Climate and Culture   + Review of student goals, progress, barriers and next steps   + Review of staff goals, progress, barriers, and next steps   + Questions/Comments regarding CIP Commitment #2:     - Morning Announcements will not be changing. Start time at 8:10 to not affect the MS advisory time. 8:10-8:15 is the moment of silence, Pledge of Allegiance, and TNS ROAR.8:15 starts morning announcements. (Bell Rings at 8:15, students are tardy after this time).     - The survey is anonymous unless staff self-identifies in the comment section. * MOY CIP Update Continued: Commitment #3 0- Family and Community Engagement   + Shared goals, progress, barriers, and next steps     - Current Parent Advisory Council score is 18/20 * Proposed Budget FY 2026   + Total Proposed Budget is $14,235,185.   + This number includes all fixed positions, personnel, supplies, equipment, and services.   + Adding of the Dean of Students is not approved by the School Board and would be uniform across all secondary PWCS schools * Projected Enrollment   + Shared projected enrollment numbers (increases in all grade levels)   + Shared projected number of staff/teacher changes (increases) * Staffing Update   + Shared an update in elementary and middle changes for this school year   + Shared proposed additional staff changes in both levels for 2025-26   + Questions/Comments:     - Dean of Students could be hired from a pool (like the Admin Intern process) or the school could be allowed to interview candidates on their own – process is not clear yet     - .5 MS Science, Social Studies, and HPE – TNS is hoping to hire one person that could do 2 of these areas. * March Poll & Feedback   + Poll Taken by In-person and virtual attendees     - The request to add a full 1.0 MS science or social studies teacher was in the lead at the conclusion of the meeting. * Questions and Feedback * Regarding morning announcements: Students are not getting the announcements if they come in after 8:15. School begins at 8:15 and students that arrive after 8:15 are tardy. Many of the same students arrive regularly after 8:15 and miss the announcements. Students that arrive after 8:10 miss the pledge, TNS ROAR, and moment of silence. | |
| **6:43** | **SACI Update, Melissa Goodwin** |
| * Shared an update from the most recent SACI meeting   + Specific TNS Information:   + TNS Renovation changes from 30 down to 10 classrooms   + Rezoning will affect TNS enrollment area (some rezoning has already occurred with areas that have not been built)   + Brentsville District High School has a renovation starting next school year that will include a new HVAC.   + Mrs. Johnson added that part of the reduction of the TNS addition allowed for funding to be created for the Brentsville renovation   + Additions from Mrs. Johnson regarding TNS Renovations\*: * The current proposal has a positive focus on Encore, science labs, larger cafeteria, larger ES gym at TNS. The proposal currently has:   + 2 additional music classrooms (behind current band/orchestra areas)   + 2 new art rooms   + 1 drama for ES   + Current Art rooms will become science labs   + Stage in Cafeteria will be removed and cafeteria will be enlarged to include the current Aux gym with an additional lunch line area added   + New Aux gym (double current size) will be added behind the current aux gym with a new functional stage with curtains   + 55 car parking lot will be created by the soccer field   + Out of door 20, a new 2-story addition with classrooms will be added   + Current ES music and drama classrooms will be repurposed * The reduction of the addition was due to the TNS water supply and the ability to support a school of that size   \**Important Note: All of these proposed classrooms/changes at TNS are subject to change and* ***are not finalized****.* | |
| **6:55** | **PTO Update, Mrs. Kelly Laubenheimer** |
| * Next PTO meeting is Monday at 6pm * There will be a family activity * the meeting is free to attend * Thursday 3/27 is Bingo Night * All proceeds will benefit teacher appreciation week! * There will be Bingo, Raffles, Silent Auction and teacher experiences * No questions for the PTO. | |
| **6:58** | **Community Questions and Comments** |
| * Upcoming 8th grade field trip:   + Details will be shared school, Mrs. Duncan was not available this evening to give an update   + PTO has partially funded the field trip * The Advisory Council is looking for a new Chair, this is Mrs. Ghani’s last year * Math 24 needs a new parent volunteer * PTO has open board positions * Redistricting TNS:   + How long does the process take?     - This process takes 12-14 months by state law     - Pay attention to the upcoming school board meetings regarding TNS redistricting     - Due to the increase in numbers at TNS, TNS received additional funding for safety and security | |

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| **7:05** | **Meeting Adjourned, Mrs. Naureen Ghani** |
| * Meeting conclusion * Motion by: Mr. Brunson, Second: Student Voice representative | |
| **Reminder: Next Principal’s Advisory Council Meeting** | |
| April 15, 2025  6-8 p.m.  TNS Library or MS Art Room  Zoom link will be shared prior to meeting for those wishing to attend virtually. | |