



AVECHS

Coffee with the Principal

February 5, 2019

Meeting called by: Principal De La Garza

Location: Portable 20

Meeting Start Time: 9:25

Meeting End Time: 10:15 AM

Minutes Recorded by: Melanie Beegle



Attendees: AVECHS: Principal Liliana De La Garza, Secretary Melanie Beegle
 Parents: Elva Cartwright, Fabiola Jaime, Anabel Ortiz, Eva Quintana, Sara Acevedo

Previous Action Items

ACTION ITEMS	PERSONS(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
✓ Testing date/time reminders to parents COMPLETED	Principal De La Garza	Nov. 15, 2018
✓ Distribute Fall 2018 PARCC Calendar to all students COMPLETED ON NOV. 15, 2018	AP Legarreta	Nov. 15, 2018
✓ Parent survey through SchoolMessenger and the school website on whether to hold Coffee with the Principal in the morning or evening	Principal De La Garza	January 2019
✓ Meet with a parent who attended the last Coffee with the Principal to address their concern COMPLETED ON NOV. 15, 2018	AP Legarreta	Immediately after meeting
✓ Send a SchoolMessenger notifying sophomore, junior and senior parents that their students can create a parent login for Canvas. COMPLETED	Principal De La Garza	December 2018
✓ Distribute 'Meeting with the Superintendent' flyer COMPLETED ON DEC. 6, 2018	POA Mrs. Quezada	Dec. 17, 2018

Minutes

Agenda item: 2nd Semester Expectations

Presenter: Principal De La Garza
AP Legarreta

Discussion:

- Specific discussion by Grade Level:
 - Freshman:
 - Need to finish with a high GPA because they will be taking their 1st DACC course next year.
 - Sophomores:
 - Next year they will be taking full time DACC courses during their 2nd semester as long as they have a GPA of 2.0 or higher; if it's their first time than they are allowed to take no more than 2 classes.

Agenda item: Student Recruitment

Presenter: Principal De La Garza

Discussion:

Principal De La Garza believes that the new Computer Science Certificate will help with next year's student recruitment.

- Annually 20 students are selected from the applicants to be in the Computer Science program
 - This year AVECHS had 13 students enrolled in the program who will receive a Computer Science Certificate at graduation.
 - There were only 13 students enrolled due to starting the program late last year.
- Principal De La Garza requested that parents spread the word about AVECHS by
 1. Word of mouth
 2. Distributing the supplied flyers and brochures throughout the community
 3. Letting parents know about the upcoming 8th Grade Recruitment Parent Night Presentations:
 - 🕒 Gadsden Middle School: February 5, 2019 at 6 PM
 - 🕒 Chaparral Middle School: February 12, 2019 at 6 PM
 - 🕒 Santa Teresa Middle School: February 19, 2019 at 6 PM

Minute Attachment: Flyers and brochures supplied by AVECHS

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Signing Up to Access the Parent Portal	Parents	ASAP

OPEN FOR DISCUSSION

A/B Schedule

PARENT INPUT/QUESTIONS:

Q: With the A/B schedule do the students always receive the 3 days of Music and the 2 days of Computers?

A: Yes

A: Do all of the sophomores have that same schedule or are there sophomores that receive 3 days of Computers? All sophomores only receive 2 days of Computers?

A: Yes, all sophomores have the same schedule. DACC requires that DACC teachers be here back to back. Mr. White has a 1st & 2nd period Music class on Mondays & Wednesdays and then Mr. Piña has a 1st & 2nd period Computer class on Tuesdays & Thursdays. This schedule allows the instructors to see all sophomores on their scheduled days without making them attend for a single period every day. With Fridays schedule containing 2 periods for sophomores Mr. White recommended doing a Friday lab; DACC prohibits him teaching 3 days per week so Principal De La Garza set up the Music lab in library with Mrs. Swaim with instructions provided by Mr. White.

AVECHS Holiday/Break Schedules

SPRING BREAK

- Spring Break Dates:
 - 🕒 GISD: March 18-22, 2019
 - 🕒 DACC: March 25-29, 2019
- When GISD is on Spring Break the DACC students will still need to attend their DACC classes at AVECHS. Transportation nor lunches will be provided; parents are to provide them. Students will have a microwave available to warm up their lunches in the Owl's Den, portable 15.
- When DACC is on Spring Break and GISD is in session the DACC students will still be onsite all day. Principal De La Garza will provide activities for those students.
- Superintendent Dempsey, as well as AVECHS Administration, has been trying for the longest time to get on the same calendar as DACC.
 - This request is due to students that do not have transportation are unable to attend their DACC classes and can be dropped from the class for non-attendance which effects their GPA, Financial Aid, and so on.
- Principal De La Garza feels the students' do need a break.

PRESIDENT'S DAY, March 18, 2019

GISD will not be holding classes; DACC will be in session. Parents are to provide both transportation. If students are attending full day then they will need to bring their own lunch. Students will have a microwave available to warm up their lunches in the Owl's Den, portable 15.

ICAT, March 21-22, 2019

Parent Teacher Conference are scheduled for both days; DACC students will need to attend their DACC classes as well.

- 🕒 Thursday, March 21, 2019
All DACC students attend. Parents are to provide transportation and student lunches. Students will have a microwave available to warm up their lunches in the Owl's Den, portable 15.
- 🕒 Friday, March 22, 2019
 - Principal De La Garza will check with the following DACC teachers to see if they will be holding classes on Friday, March 22, 2019.
 - Dr. Portillo, Biology
 - Mr. White, MUSIC 101; Mrs. Swaim will be holding Parent Teacher Conferences on that day.
 - Mrs. Stevens, Chemistry
 - Mr. Franzak, Linear Algebra

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
✓ Check with the following teachers to see if they will be teaching class on March 22, 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr. Franzak - Dr. Portillo - Mrs. Stevens - Mr. White 	Principal De La Garza	ASAP

DACC MUSIC 101: Friday Class Labs

PARENT INPUT/QUESTIONS:

Input: A parent requested more information as to what activities/assignments occur for the Friday labs. She stated that her son was unsure as to what to do with a specific assignment that he received. The student stated that Mrs. Swaim, the teacher who covers the Friday lab class, passed out a piece of paper with music words on it and that they did not have any other activity for that day. The student was unsure as to what he needed to do to complete the assignment. The parent reached out to another student who attends that class who reiterated her sons' statement. The following Monday the students stated that Mr. White reviewed the music word assignment. When the mother questioned as to what other activities occur in that class the student stated that sometimes it's a free period, sometimes the teacher hands out a piece of paper that they are unsure what to do with it.

Response: Principal De La Garza stated that Mr. White, the Music 101 teacher, sends out exactly what the students' are to be working on. This last Friday they had a music ensemble that students had to listen to and then usually they have to write down notes for follow up discussion in Monday's class. Principal De La Garza will have Mr. White CC her on the emails that he is sending to Mrs. Swaim so that she can answer any parent questions that may arise or provide further support.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Request that Mr. White CC Principal De La Garza on the MUSIC 101 Friday lab assignment emails that he sends to Mrs. Swaim	Principal De La Garza	ASAP

Future Coffee with the Principal Meeting

Meetings will be held every other month; next will be scheduled in April before Spring Break.

Parent Portal

Principal De La Garza asked a parent if she has signed up for the Parent Portal. The parent replied “No” but that her daughter showed her on the computer.

Next Scheduled Meeting

April 16, 2019 in Portable 20 at 9:30 AM