

**MLWGS School Advisory Council (SAC)**  
**Tuesday, January 8, 2019**  
**7:30-8:30am**

**Room 153**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Floor Blue Stone Lobby**

**SAC Executive Board:** Chair – Cynthia Kostelecky, Vice-Chair – Dan Brown, Secretary – John Walter, Historian – Barrie Bowers

**Members:** Dave Barnes, Wendy DeGroat, Prasad Edlapalli, Dan Giorgis (absent), Sammy Guinn, Ann Ifekwunigwe, Melissa Kates, Bryce Lyle, Jennifer McCluskey, Miles Nardi (absent), Julia Ochsenshirt, Jill Potts, Narmeen Rashid, Denise Rasmussen, Max Smith

Time	Topic	Facilitator	Notes
5 min	1. <b>Call to Order</b> 2. <b>Introductions</b> 3. <b>Agenda</b> - Discussion and Approval of 1/8/19 meeting agenda 4. <b>Minutes</b> - Review and Acceptance of 11/13/18 meeting minutes	Cynthia Kostelecky	1. 7:35 2. Introduced guest Suzannah Stora from Foundation 3. 7:49 Agenda approved 4. 7:48 Minutes 11/13/18 approved
10 min	5. <b>Suzannah Stora, Maggie Walker Executive Director of Maggie Walker Foundation discussion with SAC</b>	Cynthia Kostelecky	5. 7:40 Suzannah Stora discussed the status of Maggie Walker Foundation and projects on which it is working during the 2018-2019 school year: Purpose of Foundation is to supplement and support students by raising money from alumni and alumni parents. Last year raised about \$350,000. Subsidize various activities including student travel opportunities, professional development, Taylor Teaching award, and various projects (new track, 3D printer). \$21,000 on financial assistance for students in need from large activities like travel with MENA seminar to small items such as Yearbook purchase and local trips. Also serve as the alumni office coordinating with our active alumni base. Discussed speaker series and possibility of securing additional funds. Foundation will support based on development of series. Want to focus on getting it up and running this year.

40 min	<p><b>6. New Business – Committee Reports</b></p> <p>a) Calendar Committee</p> <p>b) Nomination &amp; By-Laws Committee</p> <p>c) Policy &amp; Handbook Review &amp; Revisions Committee</p> <p>d) Global Outreach Committee</p> <p>e) Student &amp; Family Engagement Committee</p> <p>f) School Identity Committee</p> <p>g) Curriculum &amp; Enhancement Committee</p>	<p>Max Smith</p> <p>Barrie Bowers</p> <p>Narmeen Rashid</p> <p>Ann Ifekwunigwe</p> <p>Melissa Kates</p> <p>David Barnes</p> <p>Miles Nardi</p>	<p>6. Committee status reports and discussion of committee projects</p> <p>a) Draft calendar for 2019-20 is almost ready. Draft will be made available to SAC members for comments shortly.</p> <p>b) Nominations process for next year will begin shortly.</p> <p>c) Survey on senior exams and absences administered to students and faculty. Results will be discussed next meeting. Final survey was displayed to committee for comment.</p> <p>d) Meeting next week to discuss speaker series.</p> <p>e) Looked at MIT model. Students divided into 4 oceans, with smaller study groups within each large group to promote connectedness. Might be a good model for Maggie Walker. Exploring ideas to incorporate engagement into freshman orientation. Bring new families together in spring (or perhaps August) after acceptances to develop community.</p> <p>f) Results from freshmen survey presented. Noticeable results: large number of students are the only representative from their middle school. 25 students considered no other school other than home school. Future Dragon days very influential in decision. Most students say work load at or less than expected. Social life better than expected. Sports and clubs at or better than expected. Classroom instruction &amp; engagement better than expected. Students are coming here for program, environment, and challenge. Results will go to Dr. Lowerre and then be shared.</p> <p>g) Survey drafted on courses and curriculum</p>
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	7. Open Forum for additional topics	Cynthia Kostelecky	
<b>5 min</b>	8. Announcements & Closure of Meeting	Cynthia Kostelecky	8: 8:34 AM
<b>REMINDERS:</b> SAC Meetings – Feb. 12, Mar. 12, Apr. 9, May 14, June 11, all 7:30-8:30 am			