**Meeting Rationale**

FSWC – Lee is a small school with lots of integrated and moving parts. Our parent organizations (Florida SouthWestern State College and the Lee County School District both operate as outside entities and are dependable sources of support and structure. In relation to the LCSD, we are an independent Charter School and function as a sub division of the School of Education at FSW (SoE). These positions are advantageous to us as we remain operationally free to do what is best for students, staff, and our general school community. While there is a formal structure of meeting almost every other Tuesday as a full group, submitting our meeting minutes to the College’s Document Manager, and meeting regularly with the Dean of the SoE, this structure is not the driving force for excellence. Student needs are best met through the spirit of innovation, self-directedness, cooperation, and shared decision-making that permeates the culture here. The results of this methodology speak for themselves in terms of academic achievement, climate surveys, and the annual excess demand for seats during our open enrollment lottery.

What follows are the meeting minutes and summaries of our designated time(s) together but they do not happen in a vacuum. Sometimes they sound like an agenda and are published before hand, other times they are presented as a summary of what happened. Lunchtimes in the staff lounges, group chats via cell phone, teachers teaming up with each other, ideas from the Principal, un-expected student needs, world events☺, all get managed with the strength of a unified staff. There is an un-written expectation that decisions that will affect multiple people or groups of students require everyone involved to be present. This builds a sense of team while encouraging independent thinking and cooperation at the same time.

**FSWC-Lee Collegiate High School**

**Meeting Minutes**

5/7/2020

Tough news first……..

Officer Sparks had to make an emergency trip out of town as his father is very ill…..His Dad is currently on life support and is not able to have visitors as he has also tested positive for COVID 19.  Of course best wishes, prayers for a miracle, and all our support to Kevin!

Routine type news next………

1. The question was raised as to whether students or parents have the right to consent to a recorded zoom session.  It’s very granular and I never considered this angle but I have been asked to make an adjustment to our Zoom protocol.  No need to dwell on the back story and all’s well that ends well but the bullet points below are going out to PARENTS who can either share with their students or not.  This lets you continue providing the service the way you have been and if a family chooses to exercise this right by communicating it to their student then so be it.  We just need to create a process should a family want their student’s image to not be “on the internet” (much like checking the beginning of the year box about no photos).  This process allows the student to protect themselves rather than us have to get it right all the time.  The instruction to parents via email later today will be that student have the option to:
   * Contact the teacher before a scheduled session and be assigned a name like “Student 1”- could be the same name for the rest of the year…..
   * Teacher lets that user name in past the waiting room because they know who it is but no one watching the screen does.
   * Class happens and the student subsequently opts to block their own video upload so it is simply a black box labeled with their understood name like “Student 1”
   * Teacher knows not to call out that student by given name or any other identifying way.
2. I have in writing that we will not be required to extend the school year.  Our calendar dates are firm and we will wrap up as planned.
3. We could use helpers to collect books and pass out grad boxes tomorrow…..I think we have the middle of the day covered but the 8:30 – 10:00 and after noon is a little more sparse.

Exciting news…..

5:15 on Saturday check out [www.fsw.edu/livestream](http://www.fsw.edu/livestream) for our “graduation situation” and see what you think.  It’s kind of fun to see the kids and they get a little excited when they get their box full of goodies.  It’s been a grind of a week but they deserve it and a lot of people worked really hard to pull this off!  Thanks to each of you…….

On Monday, we are sending out a survey link to 9th and 1oth grade students via email and 9th and 10th grade students via Canvas as part of a new annual process.  The high schools need to parallel larger college processes related to goal setting, celebrating successes, and prioritizing efforts.  Surveys are what they are and the timing is what it is…..just keeping you informed as I receive info.

Zoom ya Tuesday…….