

**HIGH SCHOOL PARENT ADVISORY TEAM MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 2009 AT 6:30PM**

Introduction of Beth Vandergift and Anita Dienes

Presented Mission Statement of the Parent Advisory Team.

Daryle Whitaker volunteered to take the minutes for the meeting.

We advised that the Parent Advisory Team (PAT) will act like the PTL this year. Consequently, one of the responsibilities of the PTL is homeroom parents. We asked if anyone would be interested to let us know. We advised that the responsibilities of homeroom parent are really very manageable.

Junior Parent volunteer: The junior class is responsible for the reception after the graduation. The junior Parent would collect money from the junior class in order to provide a nice reception after graduation.

Length of girls skorts: The length according to the dress code is 1-2 inches above the knee. It was discussed that this dress code will be enforced.

Lands End: It is the opinion that the items are more costly but the fabric is softer.

School store still has uniforms available.

Introduction of Christina Stenholm

Getting ready for college is the topic.

A timeline for each grade was presented (Handout is attached).

10th Grade (for example): Students should be considering the PSAT or SAT

11th Grade (for example): Students should be gathering letters of recommendations.

12th Grade (for example): Students should be in the application process.

A matrix entitled 2009 SUS Admissions Tour Matrix was presented (Handout is attached). This matrix advised what FL universities are looking for regarding admissions.

Private Colleges: Do not rule them out. Funds are available. University of Tampa comes to BCS and interviews students on Instant Decision Day (11/4/09). Students need their transcripts. That day students will know if they would be accepted and what financial aid they would qualify for. It is for Seniors only and the date is 11/4/09.

FL Residence Grant will offer \$2500-\$3000 in scholarship money.

Discussed that USF has a mileage rule for campus living freshman.

Service Hours: Many students acquire over 100 hours. There are a scholarships for service hours. Think about starting a program. Use volunteer hours on a college application to help them remember you. Students can get service hours for running the clock at the athletic games. Service hours form will be turned into Mr. Proffitt. Mrs Stenholm will keep the forms on file. Remember to make copies of forms before turning them in.

Course Catalogs: This is a good way of investigating what your student might be interested in.

FL Virtual School: Free of charge. Two new virtual classes. Most take the AP exam for \$85.

Brochures are available in the office. Opportunity to take classes not offered at BCS.

SAT: How many times can you take the SAT? You can take the SAT multiple times.

Christina Stenholm can meet with any parent to answer any questions.

Princeton Review: This will be offered again according to Christina. Speak to her if you have any questions.

Sports Conditioning: It was asked why there is no sports conditioning for basketball. ANITA will confirm this with Mr. Gonzales.

Next Meeting: Next Quarter

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