

**NORTHWESTERN HIGH SCHOOL
SIC – SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
October 8, 2018**

The Northwestern High School Improvement Council met on Monday, October 8, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. at Northwestern High School in Rock Hill, South Carolina. The meeting was called to order by Chair Kathryn Castillo. There were 19 people in attendance.

Chair Castillo introduced the new principal, Mr. Hezekiah Massey Dr. Jacqueline Persinski, the new Assistant Principal for Curriculum and Instruction. She welcomed all new comers to the meeting, passed out a sign-in sheet, the meeting minutes from the September meeting, and the agenda for the current meeting. Mrs. Karen Browning accepted the minutes and Mrs. Tanya Tucker seconded.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT (Mr. Hezekiah Massey)

- Asked for ideas concerning STEAM and School of Choice
 - Initiative led by district
 - Parent concern of allowing anyone above 9th grade enter other School of Choice schools
 - Student concern of being labeled—wants to be well-rounded and attend a school that encourages all areas of high school
 - Parents want to position the school to be labeled as a “well-rounded, all-encompassing school, well-balanced, etc.” school
 - As of now, there are no plans for the other two high schools
 - Could incorporate STEAM here, especially with Mr. Coburn’s class and ATC being so close
- Run-down of athletics, band and orchestra accolades, PSAT/Job Shadow/College Visit
- Run-down of Homecoming and Homecoming week

Data Breakdown (Dr. Jacqueline Persinski)

- PowerPoint will be uploaded to SIC site
- Reviewed School Renewal Plan
 - Focuses on math and English
 - Discussed math rotation for PEAK and increased English scores
- School Climate
 - Includes PBIS and Trojan Way book study
- Student achievement and teacher/administration quality (LDC)
- State School Report Card information is still coming out
- Some rates (Grad and SAT/ACT) have still not been posted

NEW BUSINESS

- SAT and ACT workshop \$35—check newsletter from guidance
- All call for progress reports and report cards
- Safety Committee invite through email
- Junior IGP meetings start in November

UPCOMING DATES

- 10/04/18 College Application Day *Senior Newsletter from Ms. Elmore
- 10/8-10/12 Homecoming Week

- 10/10/18 PSAT 10th grade/Job shadow and college visits
- 10/16/18 Opioid Clinic Presented by Keystone Dutchmen Creek Middle
- 10/19/18 End Q1
- 10/22/18 Teacher PD Day
- 10/23/18 Opioid Clinic Presented by Keystone York Comprehensive High School

CLOSING COMMENTS

Thanked everyone for coming and expressing their concerns. Requested that they continue to support our SIC.