

**LAWTON CHILES MIDDLE ACADEMY**  
**School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting Minutes**  
**March 24, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 am with 80% of the membership in attendance. Absent were Eileen Davidson, Gaylee Hollon, Sandra Vargas and Felecia Wilson.

The minutes of the February meeting were read aloud. Kavita Mulaney made a motion to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Michael Sears. The minutes stand approved.

Sue LeRoy reviewed the SIP Science Goals.

Our ultimate goal in Science is to get **100%** of students to achieve a level 3 or above on the 2011 FCAT Science Assessment. This breaks down by:

- **Goal #1** - Target the **26%** of students who previously earned an achievement level of 1 or 2 in science to achieve a level 3.
- **Goal #2** - Target the **74%** of students who previously earned and achievement level of 3, 4 or 5 in science to achieve a level 4 or 5.

In order to overcome the fact that the student work is not always at the highest level with students scoring 3, 4 or 5 on the FCAT, the staff developed strategies that will encourage authentic and rigorous student engagement in science. Some of those strategies include:

- Teachers will develop a standard lab write up sheet to be used by all students in all grade levels.
- Teachers will increase the use of technology tools, laptop carts, web-based programs and probe ware in science and global technology classrooms.
- Teachers will participate in LFS trainings related to summarizing and extended thinking.
- Teachers will incorporate key elements of the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme.

Mrs. LeRoy then took the SAC on a field trip to visit Mrs. Dyer and Mr. Coombs classrooms. We were able to observe the students who were busy working with a lab partner on a series of 30 labs that relate to FCAT concepts. Most of the students were so involved they barely noticed the interruption.

Back in the meeting room after the field trip, Dodie Miranda made a motion to amend the agenda to include the formation of a nominating committee to fill the positions of 2011-2012 SAC Chair and Secretary. Ruth Lyons seconded the motion. The motion passed and agenda was amended. By volunteers, the nominating committee will consist of: Sharon Neuman, Dara Broomfield, Michael Sears, Ruth Lyons and Renee Bucker. Mrs. Neuman will contact this new group via e-mail or phone.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee Bucker,  
LCMA SAC Secretary