

Adams Traditional Academy

PIN (Parent Input Night) Report

Tuesday, November 7, 2017

ATA Building B – MPR

Prepared by Karen Albers

Parent Site Council

Karen Albers,
Site Council Chair, PIN Chair
Cindy Richards,
Communications Chair

FSAC Chair

Ms. Coates,
3rd Grade Teacher

Administration

Ashley Schorer,
Assistant Principal

Absent

Hillary Hancock, Book Report Book Selection Chair
Dan Pease,
Community Support and Development Chair
Tabitha Wall, PTO Chair

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- The meeting began 6:38 p.m. and ended at approximately 6:55 p.m.
 - Two parents were in attendance and signed the attendance log.

TOPIC: Uniform Standards / Length of Shorts

- A parent was concerned when her daughter received a dress code violation during a uniform inspection check in Middle School.
- To better understand the uniform dress code, the exact wording of the policy was reviewed.
- In reviewing the policy, it was noted that there were two statements regarding the length of shorts:
 - Shorts must be no more than 4 inches above the middle of the knee.
 - To determine length, have the student kneel on the floor and measure 4" from the floor.
- During lunch playground time for 1st through 4th graders, approximately 20 students were measured using the two standards above. It was determined that the short's length standards were two different measurements.
 - When measured from the ground, pants were shorter in length. Two tall students pants were more than 4" above the knee.
 - When measured from the middle of the knee, students all met the uniform dress code.
 - Depending upon the student, the different in measurements varied from ¾" to 1".
- Currently the handbook has conflicting measuring statements for shorts, polo dresses, and skirts/skort/scooters and jumpers.
- One parent sent an email stating that they like the standards of the dress code. Another parent stated that they were concerned with how the dress code impacts older girls as they get older.
- Two options were discussed to correcting this situation.
 - Option 1: Remove the statement that the student must be measured while kneeling on the floor.
 - There could be some discretion by the person measuring as to the location of the middle of the knee.
 - Option 2: Change the measurement from the floor to 5".
 - Concern: This would appear that we had changed the dress code, but actually the statement now matches the 4" rule above the middle of the knee. This approach could be confusing to parents.
- Recommendation: Remove the statement regarding having the student kneel and measure from the bottom of the floor. Remove this statement for shorts, polo dresses, and skirts/skort/scooters & jumpers.
- Recommendation: Verify this recommendation will also address issues with middle school students.