



## School Advisory Committee (SAC) MINUTES Ankara EHS – Thursday, January 30, 2025



Time	Agenda Topic	Presenter(s)
4:30 - 4:35PM	<p><b>Welcome &amp; Call the Meeting to Order</b></p> <p>*Everyone introduces themselves to the group. *Please ensure the SAC notetaker collects the names of all attending, including virtual participants.</p> <p>Attendance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Kim, Chair</li> <li>• Ms. Lange, Vice-Chair</li> <li>• Ms. Giambanco- Teacher Rep</li> <li>• Dr. Kelly; Administrator-Teacher Rep</li> <li>• Ms. Tibbs-School Administrator</li> <li>• Lt. Col. Peters-Base Commander</li> <li>• Yerkegali Korbozov and Mansiya Bytymbayeva (parents of students in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade).</li> </ul> <p>Ms. Kim called the meeting to order.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SAC Chair</b> <b>Ms. Kim</b></p>
4:35 - 4:45pm	<p><b><u>Report Update:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Principal's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jan 23, 2025, was the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter School Improvement Day; Goals are Literacy/Writing Across the Curriculum and Math/Modeling and Reasoning.</li> <li>• Honor Roll assemblies began today. Our counselor has invited teachers to present awards.</li> <li>• The AEHS wrestling team goes to sectionals this coming weekend and hopefully to the European tournament the following week. Athletes must maintain grades and manage time and academic commitments.</li> <li>• A pep rally is scheduled for Feb 4, 2025, to celebrate sports: wrestling and girls' basketball</li> <li>• Next week is National School Counselor Recognition Week</li> <li>• DoDEA Director will visit our school to meet stakeholders. She will visit Friday, February 7, 2025, along with the European Director of Excellence in Education. A parent meeting is scheduled for that day.</li> <li>• Commissary/AAFES requests that students use small bills as opposed to large \$ bills</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. School Liaison's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lt. Col. Peters said that a selection has been made for the SLO position. Clearances require time and hopefully someone will be in place prior to the end of our school year.</li> <li>• Should anyone have questions as people begin to change assignment locations, Lt. Col. Peters is available to field any concerns.</li> <li>• The 717<sup>th</sup> is seeking someone to spearhead April's Month of the Military Child.</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Commander's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAC and Student Council requested Commissary access last spring. It is going well.</li> <li>• Major construction is ongoing next to the Base Exchange due to sewage issues and work will require about one more month</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Administration</b> <b>Ms. Tibbs, Assistant Principal</b></li>   <li>2. <b>SLO-Currently Vacant</b> <b>Lt Col. Peters reported</b></li>   <li>3. <b>Base Commander-</b> <b>Lt. Col. Peters</b></li> </ol>

	<p>4. Student's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nayhun Lee—Ms. Lee reported that Student Council members have discussed several topics to be presented during the new business section of the meeting including: Additional field trips and A School Instagram Account</li> </ul> <p>5. Additional Reports-None</p>	<p><b>4. Student Rep Nahyun Lee</b></p> <p><b>No Additional Reports</b></p>
<p><b>4:45 - 5:00 pm</b></p>	<p><b>Old Business:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved Minutes December 2024 (unposted) and SAC Gmail Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes from our December meeting were approved via email with SAC voting members. The approved minutes were uploaded on the AEHS website</li> <li>Gmail is not working-What needs to happen?</li> <li>A WhatsApp group could be considered as suggested by Lt. Col. Peters.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Appointment of Parents Representatives from each Country of our student population <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We need one parent from each country to strengthen communication amongst our stakeholders; we need to check with Dr. Leverette regarding solicitation of parents for this subcommittee.</li> <li>It is possible to solicit volunteers amongst International Day participants or via PTA; Perhaps PTA could solicit parent representatives; a need may exist to combine country representatives of small student population groups.</li> <li>All agree this is an excellent idea.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<p><b>SAC Members</b></p>
<p><b>5:00-5:15pm</b></p>	<p><b>New Business</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2024/2025 SAC Goals Discussion-Drafted suggested goals at end of year 2023-2024</li> <li>Can videos be posted of student activities? Such as a pep rally. Ms. Tibbs will check.</li> <li>Look again at the SAC by-laws</li> <li>Nayhun Lee, student council representative, proposed some items for consideration. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instagram Account: Ms. Lee presented advantages of an Instagram account. Students primarily use Instagram for communication. Ms. Tibbs reported that Instagram is NOT an approved form of communication for the school. The suggestion was made for STCO to present a proposal to Dr. Leverette for further guidance and clarification regarding a formal vs. informal Instagram account. Ms. Cha said DoDEA has an Instagram account. It is unknown who administers this account. It was suggested that students need to present this to Dr. Leverette and be ready to answer any possible questions posed.</li> <li>More School Events and Field Trips (from STCO Rep) Discussion: Field trips are primarily funded via the Transportation Budget. Curricular-oriented transportation \$ is allocated, but dependent upon the school's budget. All field trips must connect to curricular standards and are sourced via the "Study Trip Budget." Ms. Tibbs often oversees study trips. Suggestions for future study trips from students/teachers and stakeholders are welcome. Administration can always present ideas to students and teachers. At the same time, students need to be appreciative of teacher/admin efforts to organize trips. It was suggested that</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<p><b>SAC Members</b></p>

	participants complete some sort of follow-up activity upon return.	
5:15 - 5:25pm	<p><b>Open Forum - Online SAC Feedback Form Review</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some of our students do not speak English. It was suggested that an after-school English course be offered. One idea mentioned a “Chit Chat Club” which could possibly be sponsored by military members and by students. The DoDEA Student to Student Program is another option. Students (AVID and National Honor Society) needing volunteer hours may wish to organize a conversation club focusing on English language practice.</li> <li>Regarding athletics: 7<sup>th</sup> graders are not allowed to participate. The DoDEA-wide policy is that middle schoolers do not participate in sports. Coach Peters advocated to have 8<sup>th</sup> graders approved to participate on school teams this year and last year. Currently, middle schoolers may play individualized sports but not travel or compete. Lt. Col. Peters suggested researching community members to provide services for students (for example, tai kwon do). Private organization people could possibly offer such activities but keep in mind the base access aspect and no monetary payment allowed to any providers.</li> </ul> <p>Last year, a junior high basketball club met regularly. About 8 students met on Saturdays at the base gym but did not compete due to legalities.</p> <p>Student interest is necessary. Ms. Sykes has asked throughout the school year for suggestions for activities. Only in the last few weeks has she received any suggestions—a few from elementary, but none from middle school students.</p>	<b>SAC Members</b>
5:25 - 5:30pm	<p><b>Acknowledgements/Thank You/Adjourn Meeting</b>  <b>Next Meetings – February 27, 2025</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes will be voted for approval &amp; posted within 2 weeks of this meeting date</li> </ul>	<b>SAC Vice-Chair</b> <b>Ms. Lange</b>
<b>Resources Needed:</b>	<p><b>Resources needed for the meeting:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Virtual Link - <a href="https://meet.google.com/ijf-zafq-vyz">https://meet.google.com/ijf-zafq-vyz</a></li> </ol>	