



**Education Advisory Board Meeting**

**Date:** Tuesday, April 6, 2021

**Start/End Time:** Start - 5:33 p.m.; End - 6:27 p.m.

**Location:** GoToMeeting Platform

**Address:** <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/524913397>

**Meeting Minutes**

**I. Call Meeting to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**

Introduction, meeting was called to order and Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

**II. Introduction/Roll Call**

**Present:** (1) Dawn DaCosta, (2) Jacqueline DeFerrari, (3) Erncy Dumornay, (4) Carolyn Hudson, (5) Ingrid Morgan, (6) Dr. Anelle Moss, (7) Gessika Moss, (8) Lindsay Ostroff, (9) Kevin Sawyer, (10) Rona Somers, and (11) Dr. Carolyn Stewart.

**Absent/Excused:** Leslie Hodo

**Not Excused:** N/A.

**Board Liaison:** Sady Diaz, Public Engagement Manager

**Board Secretary:** Juliana DeCastro, Administrative Officer II

**III. Approval of Communications Media Technology Rules (CMT) Rules**

Sady explained the Communications Media Technology (CMT) rules.

Motion was made and carried to approve the Communications Media Technology Rules.

**IV. Selection of Chair and Vice Chair**

Sady opened the floor for nominations. Dawn DaCosta nominated Erncy Dumornay for EAB Chair. Ingrid Morgan seconded the nomination.

Rona Somers nominated Kevin Sawyer for EAB Vice Chair, he respectfully declined. Rona Somers nominated EAB Vice Chair Jacqueline DeFerrari, she respectfully declined.

Dr. Carolyn Stewart nominated Dr. Anelle Moss for Vice Chair. Lindsay Ostroff seconded the nomination.

**V. Open Discussion: Updates/Announcements from School Liaisons**

Gessika Moss wanted to know what source of information she needs to bring from the school; she works at Sawgrass Elementary. Sady clarified that any information board members deemed to be relevant (ie school events – Career Day, volunteers, or necessities due to a natural disaster) the City may be able to help.

Sady confirmed the City will have the Piper High School Graduation as a drive-thru.

Jacque asked Sady if schools are doing graduation. Sady said she doesn't have that information. Dr. Stewart explained to the board that the City of Sunrise will do the parade but high schools will have their own graduation ceremonies.

Carolyn Hudson would like details about each person's role in the board. Jacque stated she will look for the document that has the board engagement with the schools and forward it to Sady to forward to the board.

**VI. Approval of EAB Minutes**

Tabling the previous minutes to May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting for approval.

**VII. Sunrise Leadership Academy – Class of 2021**

Sady Diaz explained the Sunrise Leadership Academy to the board members (civics engagement program for high school juniors and seniors from three area high schools – Piper, Plantation and Western). SLA was launched twelve (12) years ago, consist of seven (7) themed sessions, and graduation. The program addresses such issues as career readiness, mental health, social media decorum, entrepreneurship, and personal finance. The SLA facilitation team added a session on mental health to provide tools/gems due to pandemic and transition back into an in-person model.

The next session is scheduled for Thursday, April 8, 2021 with a 90-minute curriculum on personal finances and networking.

**VIII. Outstanding Citizenship Scholarship: Informational, Applicants, and Dates for Selections**

Sady Diaz explained the goal of the Outstanding Citizenship Scholarship is to provide two (2) scholarship for Sunrise high school seniors going to college. Additionally, she explained the upcoming timeline to the board members. The scholarship received fifteen (15) applications thus far and is waiting for additional applicants from the Broward Education Foundation. EAB members should receive their (a) candidate application packets by mid-April, (b) beginning of May, board members will interview finalists, and (c) in June, the two (2) scholarship awardees will be contacted.

Sady Diaz and Jacquie DeFerrari spoke about how the kids are adjusting well to online school. Gessika Moss explained how the kids will have to adapt to take the upcoming FSA testing.

Carolyn Hudson wanted to know when the board meetings will go back to in-person meeting. Sady Diaz advised the City does not have a firm date. Sady Diaz stated she is happy to see the board (virtually) and to be able to conduct board meetings (in which ever capacity the City/State allows).

**IX. Adjournment**

Erncy Dumornay made a motion to adjourn. Rona Somers seconded the motion. There was no opposition from the EAB.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 4, 2021.

**Transcribed by:** Juliana Castro, Administrative Officer II/Board Secretary -

*Juliana Castro*