



Education Advisory Board – Meeting 2

Date: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

Location/Address: Sunrise Civic Center – Community Room (10610 West Oakland Park Blvd., Sunrise, FL 33351)

Board Secretary: Stephanie Joseph (*transcription*)

Board Liaison: Sady Diaz, Public Engagement Manager

Summary Minutes

I. Call Meeting to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

- The meeting was called to order by Sady D. and the Pledge of Allegiance was observed - Erncy D. led the pledge.

II. Introductions/Roll Call

- **Present:** Natalia Allen, Carolyn Hudson, Ingrid Morgan, Dr. Carolyn Stewart, Erncy Dumornay, Dr. Anelle Moss, Dawn DaCosta, Stacy Sherman, Dr. Dana Rolle, Gessika Moss **Absent/Excused:** Lindsay Ostroff, Kevin Sawyer **Board Liaison:** Sady Diaz; **Board Secretary:** Stephanie Joseph

III. Approval of EAB Summary Minutes

- Quick walk through of the meeting agenda items by Sady D.
- Dawn D. made a motion to approve Meeting 1 minutes (Tuesday, January 18, 2022). Natalia A. seconded the motion. There was no opposition from the EAB.

IV. Open Discussion: Updates/Announcements Regarding Schools

- The EAB discussed the presentation from Officer Gutshall and the board had great feedback.
- Ingrid M. gave an update from Piper High School. Ingrid explained that there was an unfortunate incident that occurred at Piper, which led to the presence of news stations at the high school.
- Dawn D. gave an update on Village Elementary and the school is requesting headphones for students for in-class use. Sady D. will speak with Christine P. regarding sponsorship of the school's headphone request. Sady D. noted the sponsorship cannot come directly from City of Sunrise.
- Sady D. encouraged the EAB to volunteer at their designated schools Black History month events.
- Erncy D. gave an update on Franklin Academy. Career Day will be held on February 4, 2022. Sprit week will be held on February 7-11. The Daddy Daughter Dance will be held on February 26, 2022. Franklin currently has a two-year waitlist for new students. The traffic study is still pending for the traffic zone near the school.
- **Teacher of the Month:** The EAB would like to create a social media page to shine light on the Teacher of the Month that does not conflict with the City Commission. Sady D. will speak with Meryl Girard (Assistant City Clerk) and Christine Pfeffer (Marketing + Communications Director). Sady D. further explained that the Teacher of the Month is published on the Horizon Magazine and social media.
- Natalia A. asked what is the selection process for selecting the Teacher of the Month. Sady D. explained that the Principal/Assistant selects the designated teacher. Natalia A. suggested on getting a new perspective by seeking nominations from the School Advisory Council (*since SAC is not a paid organization membership like PTA*).

- Board members stated they wanted to do more as group. Sady D. stated the EAB to revisit the notes in July 2021 (*on suggestions on types of school activities*) and suggested for the EAB to tap into their own network for their schools upcoming Black History Month, Career Day, Women’s History Month, Caribbean Heritage Month or End of the Year Party. It was further explained Career Day is an opportunity that helps students get a new perspective on various careers.
- Dawn D. expressed her concerns on not being as impactful within the schools. Dawn D. suggested to send a letter to the Teacher of the Month from the EAB. Sady stated she would ask Christine Pfeffer (Marketing + Communications Director) if that was something the EAB could do and potentially add a certificate.
- Sady D. explained to the EAB if they are having difficulty contacting their schools, please go down the chain of command (*Principal/Assistant Principal/Office Manager/Lead Administrative Assistant/Lead Teacher/Head Librarian/BRACE Advisor*) and reach out to her. The EAB will need to be persistent with communicating with the schools. Please make an appointment with the schools before going (*the Office Manager is the person to contact*).
- Sady D. will send out a refresher email to the EAB on (a) Sunshine Law, (b) Duties + Responsibilities, and (c) Roberts Rules of Order (*all documents outline what the board is able to participate in/accomplish*).
- Erncy D. gave a brief background on Sunrise Service Hours program. The goal of the program is to help connect nonprofit organizations with students looking to obtain community services hours. The programs website is as follows: www.SunriseServiceHours.com .
- The EAB discussed scholarship opportunities for students.

V. **Old Business: Selection of Board Chair and Vice Chair**

- The EAB selected member Erncy D. as Chair and member Natalia A. as Vice Chair.

VI. **New Business: Outstanding Citizenship Scholarship and Sunrise Leadership Academy**

- **Outstanding Citizenship Scholarship**: Informational will take place either in February 2022 + March 2022 Deadline April 1, 2022.
- **Sunrise Leadership Academy (SLA)**: SLA is a hands-on, real-world civics program for Sunrise high school students. The program’s ultimate goal is to foster a new generation of informed, civic-minded leaders. SLA Applications went out three (3) high schools – Western/Plantation/Piper in Mid-November 2021. The application deadline was extended four (4) separate times and students were selected by SLA Administrators. Plantation High School did not submit any student representatives from their school (*even after several calls/emails/BCPS administrator stepping in*). Program/Session 1 begins Wednesday, February 16, 2022 with 17 students.
- **Angel Gomez, BCPS Government Affairs Liaison**: Angel G. was the speaker and discussed the selection process for the upcoming BCPS Superintendent. Three (3) candidates are now in the finals and are scheduled to go through several one-on-one interviews with the BCPS Board Members. Mr. Gomez expressed that there is space for the public provide input and ask questions.
 - ✓ All the information will be live streamed on www.Browardschools.com
 - ✓ Gessika M. stated she was under the impression that the Interim Superintendent could not run for Superintendent. Angel G. explained that the BCPS Board voted to change the rule, which allowed the Interim Superintendent to run for Superintendent.

VII. **Meeting Adjourned**

- Natalia A. made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Anelle M. second the motion. There was no opposition from the EAB.