



Education Advisory Board – Meeting 10

Date/Time: Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at 5:15 p.m.

Location/Address: City Hall – Everglades Room (10610 West Oakland Park Blvd., Sunrise, FL 33351)

Board Secretary: Stephanie Joseph, Administrative Assistant I

Board Liaison: Sady Diaz, Public Engagement Manager

Summary Minutes

Call Meeting to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

- The meeting was called to order by Natalia Allen (Chair) and the Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

Introductions/Roll Call

- **Present:** Aldett Francis, Kevin Sawyer, Dr. Carolyn Stewart, Carolyn Hudson, Pierrelina Mwanza, Natalia Allen, Dr. Dana Rolle, Gessika Moss, Richard Hoyer, Erika Reddy **Absent/Excused:** Erncy Dumornay, Deborah Houts **Board Liaison:** Sady Diaz; **Board Secretary:** Stephanie Joseph

Approval of EAB Summary Minutes

- Aldett F. made a motion to approve M9 meeting minutes from September 11, 2023. Kevin S. second the motion. There was no opposition from the EAB.

Open Discussion: Updates/Announcements Regarding Schools

Erika Reddy (New Board Member) introduced herself and provided a brief background. Each EAB member introduced themselves and length of time on the board.

Dr. Rolle.: Sandpiper Elementary – (a) Hispanic Heritage Night (Oct 19th at 5:30 pm). (b) Upcoming activities are being planned for Halloween. (c) Dr. Rolle is waiting to hear back from Sandpiper Elementary regarding reading to the students.

Aldett F.: Village Elementary – (a) Student enrollment is steadily increasing. Enrollment is up to 610 students. (b) Village is awaiting their final approval for the Cambridge program. (c) Village is looking for community partners to sponsor incentives for the students (d) Village Elementary is also trying to increase attendance and student performance.

Gesskia M.: Sawgrass Elementary – (a) Student enrollment is up to 900. A new Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, and ASD classes will be opening. (b) Panther Academy is working with the City for a Butterfly Garden (Dr. Carrie Kasher, Sustainability Officer). (c) After-school clubs are will include robotics, football, and knitting. (d) Upcoming Events: Family Book Fair, Boo-Bingo, and Dual Language Literacy night.

Richard H.: Bair Middle – (a) Bair Middle will be renewing their Verizon Innovative Learning Schools grant.

Dr. Stewart.: Discovery Elementary – (a) Discovery Elementary will be participating in the Dental Sealant Program. Students whose parents consented to the program will be obtaining sealants to help protect and keep their teeth healthy. (b) Sunrise will be hosting a Fire Safety Assembly on Oct 10th to teach students how to stay safe when they encounter a

fire. (c) Discovery Elementary has started an Art + Music Club which is held after school (d) Upcoming Events: Monthly SAC meeting (Oct 4th), Fall Book Fair (Oct 16th), and Parent University + PTO General Meeting (Oct 18th) breakout sessions for parents, will be available the same night. There will be an annual Storybook Interactive Parade (Oct 31st) and Dr. Stewart will be participating in Read for the Record at Discovery Elementary.

Natalia A.: Horizon Elementary – (a) Horizon is still searching for professionals to mentor the students specifically for behavior intervention. (b) Natalia explained that Kevin Pickard expressed his interest in the Sunrise Reads program. (c) Horizon is the largest ASD school.

Kevin S.: Westpine Middle School – (a) Brian Thompson is the designated liaison for Westpine (b) The last Community Conversation with the Superintendent will be held at Westpine Middle School on Oct 5th from 6-8 pm. During this conversation, attendees will be able to discuss (a) what the district does well, (b) areas of improvement, and (c) opportunities for increasing the achievement level for reading and math scores.

Piper High School – Sady shared with the Board that books are now available in the Piper High library.

Old Business:

- SLA Piper High Program Presentations – 150+ Students (9/20/23 + 9/26/23)
- SSBA Cohort 4 begins Session 1 – 10/4/23

New Business:

- New Business: Franklin Academy - PFEP Plan
- Tunes + Trucks - La Muñeca de la Salsa (10/6/23)
- Art Gallery Opening – Culture + Nature Matters (10/6/23)
- City Commission Meeting (10/10/23)
- Jazz Brunch (10/14/23) – City Park
- Blanket Bingo (10/15/23)
- Stunning Sunrise (on-going)
- NEW Residential Fence Repair Incentive Program (on-going)

Upcoming Meetings: Everglades Meeting Room

- **REMINDER:** Sunrise Board Applications are due at the end of October 2023
- **M11 – 2023:** Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at 5:15 pm to 6:15 pm
- **M12 – 2023:** Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 5:15 pm to 6:15 pm
- Natalia inquired about volunteer opportunities for the Board. Sady encouraged the Board to volunteer at the Back-to-School Round-up, Mayors Chess Challenge, and Family Resource Fair.

Meeting Adjourned

- Carolyn S. made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Richard H. Second the motion. There was no opposition from the EAB.