

South Area Advisory
General Meeting
Wednesday, January 20, 2021
6:30 pm Virtual Meeting
Minutes - DRAFT

Welcome

Start Time: 06:38 PM ET

Please have cameras off and mute yourself when you are not speaking

Attendance:

- <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=v7Ws7nBTWE0paqN4PJXUluscdyxkjwtKpUjpDacxIBNUM0ILQ0FJRIJHR01VRE9RMVJORzdWSVY0Ny4u>

OSPA- Office of School Performance and Accountability

Scott Jarvis
Donna Boruch

- Extension on HS waivers as not able to get quorum.
- Please do not stress we will do the best we can and feel free to talk to Donna or Scott if you have any concerns.
- Office of Service Quality 754-321-3636

Chief Academic Officer

Dan Gohl - daniel.gohl@browardschools.com

Feel gratitude, if things get delayed it is okay.

Direction of learning and how to meet that expectation has been very varied in last year.

First district schools to close and the last to reopen.

eLearning phase 2

- 75% of our students stayed home
- All assignments stayed on canvas

Spring 2021 Reopening Plan approved December 28th, 2020:

- FLDOE approved BCPS Spring 2021 Reopening Plan:
<http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/19861/urlt/Broward-springreopen21.pdf>
- Executive order
 - Not making academic progress
 - ¼ of the kids are in this category
 - Per State, we strongly encouraged these students to return to school through letters and calls
 - 49% of those students are back in school
- eLearning phase 3
 - Teachers are teaching from classroom assuming everyone is back in schools
 - 6k polycom cameras for teachers to utilize – only with teachers' agreement
 - Demonstrations utilizing whiteboards

- Those in classrooms will no longer use teams
 - Those at home still utilizing teams
 - Canvas is the core for instructional resources
- Last Tuesday we have seen a higher uptick in kids returning to school
- Ensuring supplemental resources, including 3 on demand tutoring to support students
 - **Ask BRIA** on student launchpad on Clever and through Canvas
 - Broward County school teachers teaching Broward Kids
 - **MECCA** – Student diversity organization - Complete student registration: <https://bit.ly/2TYS5FM>
 - **SchoolHouse.World** – On-demand tutoring from tutors around the world from the folks that built Khan Academy
 - Many campuses have peer-to-peer through Latinos in Action, 5000 Role Models, Young People’s Project and similar organizations
- FSA & EOC – the state will be requiring all in person testing
- How are you handling staff shortages?
 - Biggest challenge of the pandemic
 - Contentions and differences are in discussion
 - We have called up full time subs and newly graduated teachers
 - Not seen strong shortage but if you see this please contact your Principal.
- Please clarify your statement of "advocating to the state to suspend accountability of the FSA exam." Does that mean advocating so that it is not a student requirement? Advocating so the FSA scores do not impact the school's grade and/or teacher reviews?
 - Asking for 2 options as we do not see 90% of students in person for May 1st
 - Exams are given but we are not connecting to school grades or teacher appraisals
 - Waive the third grade FSA for promotion and Waive the EOC for HS graduation

Student Assessment and Research

Richie Baum – Update

- What are the consequences of not taking EOC which is 30% of grade?
 - If State continues with accountability, student will receive incomplete grade until they take the exam.
 - This is the graduation testing requirements document: - <http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/7764/urlt/GradRequireFSA.pdf>
- Effective immediately, SAT will no longer give the writing exam or the Subject Exams permanently
- Looking into different scenarios but still waiting on State approval
- Currently all IB, AICE & AP exams are in person.
 - <https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/exam-calendar>
 - They provide 4 makeup dates
 - All May 14 tests will also be offered May 18 due to EID.
 - <https://www.ibo.org/contentassets/7f6c7681e0b34fc8b0541c1229c7521d/may-2021-exam-schedule-english-revised-v2.pdf>
 - <https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/Images/513554-june-2021-timetable-zone-2.pdf>
- 10th grade PSAT will be in school January 26th
- Juniors for PSAT Merit is in October – this year schools had 3 optional dates

Attendance

Phil Shaver – Attendance Updated

Report on the Missing Children

First Day Enrollment by School Level								
Year	PK	Elementary	Middle	High	Centers	PreK-12 & Center Total	Charters	District & Charter Total
2018/19	5,973	94,773	49,741	71,084	4,333	225,904	45,340	271,244
2019/20	5,625	92,531	49,715	70,271	4,547	222,689	45,999	268,688
2020/21	4,868	86,915	48,047	70,139	4,070	214,039	47,678	261,717

Enrollment for 2020/21 decreased by 2.6% (6,971 students).

At District schools, enrollment decreased by **8,650** students from 2019/20.

- Increase in habitual truancy (15 or more unexcused absences)
- How many students had not attended since schools reopened = approx. 780
- What was done?
 - Training to staff who take attendance on how to take attendance for virtual learners
 - 5 Memos providing guidance and support to principals
 - New codes for those learning at home
 - Re-engagement strategies will be shared with schools
 - New policy that cameras remain on while you are in class

Old Business

DAC Attendance & Ethics Training

- Will send out email if you in jeopardy for attendance
- Email went out for those who have not done their Ethics Training
 - DAC Representative must take the test / SAC & SAF – it will not hurt you as it is very informational
 - Ethics Training Link - <https://www.browardschools.com/Page/41329>
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New Business – Support for prioritizing Vaccination for School Personal – Action link on Legislative Affairs page - www.browardschools.com/Page/35493

- Taken stand to have teachers and school staff be prioritized for vaccine.

District Advisory Council Report – Christina Kim

Questions & Answers

- Teams Training - <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/office/microsoft-teams-video-training-4f108e54-240b-4351-8084-b1089f0d21d7>
- Transition from elementary to middle after having our kids home for a year and a half (entering 6th grade in Fall 21).
- How are schools dealing with food insecurity? Are there still pick up times?

- Most schools have stopped but if you go to food and nutrition website - <https://www.browardschools.com/Page/34341>
- Bus transportation - why is it so hard to have a bus stop changed? and why does the request have to go through the school?
- It would be good to hear from the ESLS staff regarding the supports currently being extended to both in person and/or e-learning students to assist with academic success.

Public Input

COVID 19 Dashboard cases by schools

<https://app.powerbi.com/view?r=eyJrIjoiMDk3ZDI1ZDEtNjM5Ni00ZTM2LTkwODctM2M1MTE1NDJmMmJmliwidCI6ImVlYWwiNiNWNiLTUzNzAtNDM1OC1hOTZhLWEzNzgzYzk1ZDQyMiIsImMiOiF9&pageName=ReportSectioned2317b30c4c05e359ea>

Adjourn

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Adjourn at 08:20 PM ET