



Glades Middle School School Advisory Council Minutes



Wednesday, September 4, 2024, 4:15 P.M. in the Media Center

Attendance: Sylvia Almeida, Nancy Apollon, Guillermo Cartagena, Daniela Fatout, Jeniece Fernandez, Janira Gallego-Arias, Jennifer Guitar, Cindy Kim, Tsega Mulu, Melissa Ramos, Mavel Russo

Call to Order :

A meeting of the Glades Middle School Advisory Council was held in the Media Center on September 4, 2024. Mrs. Gallego called the meeting to order at 4:36 PM. Quorum has been met. Sylvia Almeida will record minutes for this meeting.

Minutes:

- **Principal's Welcome/Updates:**

- PM1 testing - Info in newsletter and website. 6th Grade will test on Sept. 9th & 10th, then 7th & 8th Grade on Sept. 11th & 12th.
- Cell phone policy going well. Some exceptions more kids reading books and talking to each other at lunch. Can check out uno cards for lunch.
- Ramos- Chipotle night made \$300.00.
- Parent teacher conferences will begin after Pm 1 testing, September 16th.
- Extra help starting Sept 18th.
- Block schedule voting will take place on Monday Oct 1st to December. Find out more together to say yes or no. Get parent groups for block side view. More department specific block schedule examples. How can it effect you as an educator? More time in class for lessons and small groups, more classes, more students and more planning time. SAC 80% of staff must vote. 66.2/3 % has to say yes to pass. Present to staff and SAC to get feedback and then the final vote.
- Redefining Schools Community meeting Sept. 16-26 meeting. The Discussion will be about Glades, Walter C. Young, Driftwood, Silver Trail, New Renaissance. Families are encouraged to attend the Redefining Our Schools Community Meeting at Flanagan HS on Wednesday, 9/25/24, from 6-8pm.
- Charter and Sommerset reassignments- majority of kids going to Sommerset. After October FTE majority will come back.
- House Bill 1473- Area Security Manager will be coming to see if we are properly secure due to our unique layout. HB 1473 states school are obligated to lock doors and gates during learning hours or have staff at any entrances that are left unlocked.
- Proposal of SAC Meeting dates & times to change was discussed. Vote for time & date change will take place at our next meeting, October 2nd. Cindy Kim suggested that we align it with Everglade's HS SAC and the Debate Calendar.



- **Install/Introduce Board Members**

- 1. Janira Gallego - Sac Chair 2. Ismary Bodet – SAF Co-Chair, 3. Sylvia Almeida- Secretary, 4. Guillermo Cartajena – Business Rep, 5. Jen Guitar – Parent Rep, 6. Mavel Russo- BTU Stewart & Support Facilitator for 7th Grade Students, 7. Melissa Ramos - ESE Parent Rep, ACE Chair, PTSA President, 8. Jenice Fernandez-I-Zone Parent Rep, Reflections Chair, PTSA Title I Parent Rep, 9. Nancy Apollon- Title I liaison and Science Teacher, 10. Cindy Kim – SAF Co-Chair, SAF Secretary ,PTSA Title 1 Parent Rep., 11. Tsega Mulu- Parent Rep.

- **Roll Call to Establish Quorum**

- **Approval of Minutes for 05/15/2024:** Tabled the approval of minutes to next meeting

- **Presentations:**

- Fund Request Presentation: Mr. Kocis made a fund request of \$4,500 for detention program. Detention will be held twice a week. Janira confirmed that \$9,000 was approved last year. Next meeting board will vote on the approval of this fund request.
- SAC Bylaws- Ms. Gallego
Reviewed SAC Bylaws. Attention was brought to page 2 Article 3 which states the officers' length of terms. Bylaws state that members are elected for one year term. Gallego proposed that it be changed to two years. 1st motion to approve change was made by Nancy Apollon and 2nd motion to approve change was made by Melissa Ramos. All in favor for change. Motion to change Bylaws was passed.

- **Approval of SAC Bylaws**

- After review of SAC Bylaws, 1st motion to approve the Bylaws was made by Ms. Bodet, 2nd motion to approve was made by Cindy Kim. All were in favor of approving. Motion to approve 2024-2025 SAC By-Laws was passed.

- **SAC Member's Updates:**

- Melissa Ramos- Next ESE Advisory Meeting will be held on 9/18 at Indian Ridge. Next ACE Meeting will be held on Sept 26th at 10am on TEAMS. Glades PTSA General meeting and volunteering Training will be held on Sept. 18th at 4:30 in the Media Center. Science Night/Inclusion Night is scheduled for 12/5.
- Title I Parent Orientation is being held on Sept 19 at the Atlantic Technical College.

- **For the Good of the Group/ Q&A:** Pedestrian crossing and traffic concerns brought up by parent. Can SRO control the traffic? Ms. Fatout replied to question that SRO does a lot more than he is contracted to do. Need to see his contract to see if controlling traffic falls within his duties. Parent suggested that a new traffic policy could be placed that states "No left turns on exiting campus", so that traffic must turn right. Rafuls will have update next meeting.

- **Announcement:**

- Next Meeting date: October 2, 2024
- Science night Everglades HS Honor society Mobile unit
- Cougar fest October 18th
- Science Night Dec 5th will be a Title I event



- **Adjournment** 5:20 PM motion to adjourn. Ms. Apollon 1st motion to adjourn. Ms. Bodet 2nd motion to adjourn

Budget:

Accountability Funds

Allocation	Starting Amount	Requested Funds Approved This School Year	Available Balance
2024-2025	\$32,565.75		\$32,565.75

Submitted by: Sylvia Almeida

Approval Date: 10/2/2024

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