

District Advisory Council - Minutes
K.C. Wright, 600 SE 3rd Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Boardroom
<http://browarddistrictadvisory.ch2v.com/>

Meeting was called to order at 7:41 p.m. Quorum was established.

Announcements:

Mark your Calendars for DAC meetings: Nov. 8th **Ethics training for ALL DAC members:**

http://app.brainshark.com/browardschools/committee_training?&fb=1&r3f1=

Topics: Leadership Panel – Updates

Dr. Valerie Wanza – Chief School Performance & Accountability Officer

Dr. Wanza supervisors all 226 principals in the district. Continuing last year's focus on early literacy and this year's focus on reimagining the students in the middle grades. The plan is to let the board know what that looks like in the upcoming months. +Mr. Gohl will work with Dr. Wanza on letting the principal and staff knows that tests will be completed before the winter break.

Mrs. Barbara Myrick – General Counsel

Update on voting for the lawsuit on 7069, ready to file along with 14 other districts. Challenging what the districts perceives as a violation of their constitutional authority to control supervise and manage the schools within their district. 5 main areas looking to challenge one is the legislature has initiated a standard charter contract which does not allow SB to negotiate the contract; violation requiring SB to share capital millage dollars (sharing of capital would go to charter schools based on student population not need with no recovery if charter school closes); Schools of Hope if there are a D or F school a charter school can open up within 5 miles with no requirement that they take those students, with no educational certifications for principal or teachers or contract only a letter of intent that they want to open to Florida Department of Education. Charter schools may be their own Local Educational Agency (LEA) to compete against the school district for federal grants and distribution of Title I dollars and how they are shared and how Title I can be spent within the district. Three districts have voted not to join lawsuit. Two ways to challenge a constitutional challenge one is "facial challenge" (on the face v) and the other is "as applied". Looking to get it to the Supreme Court by January 2019.

Mrs. Mickey Pope – Executive Director, Student Support Initiatives

Oversight of every learning support, wrap around services, student services, family counseling, home school, and support services (ex. SPARKS in Dillard & Boyd Anderson Innovation Zones) just to name a few departments. Looking at bridging the opportunity gap. Putting structures in place to ensure work that is being done is with fidelity.

Mrs. Tracy Clark – Chief Public Information Officer Media

The office pushed out messages, launching new technologies websites. Her department is launching new technology initiatives along with the new website. Launching a Staff internet to house staff information, being on a single platform allows messages to be pushed to school websites. It's the people who consume the news need to let the news outlets know that they want positive news about their schools. Address excessive phone calls not only to the primary contact, but the secondary contacts also. Setting need to be looked at. DAC member addressed that the messages being pushed did not include a mention that testing will be done before winter break. That was referred to Dr. Wanza and Mr. Gohl and they will make sure the message gets out.

Mr. Tony Hunter – Chief Information Officer

Pinnacle elementary schools were started at the beginning of the year 3-5 are posted once a week. K-2 don't receive letter grades so there will not be anything posted. There is no direction for parents to access Pinnacle. Mr. Hunter will look into it. Printing out a hard copy is being addressed. Update Pinnacle with login information and to contact either the school or the student. A member wanted to know about the Back to School Online forms, how is that information disseminated to teachers. All the schools have the information in their queue. The IMT populates to the schools and updates in terms automatically.

Ralph Aiello Director of School Counseling and BRACE Advisors

His department covers policies 5.1 and 6000.1. Other areas covered are Brace, College Fair, FAFSA, money still left on the table because families did not apply (23 minutes to fill out the form) Naviance has every single scholarship listed, partnership with community agencies to pool resources. This past Monday's College Fair was a success.

Representative for Mr. Leo Bobadilla – Chief Facilities & Construction Officer Frank Gerardi, Danny Jardine, deputy director for Heery. Heery is the Program Manager and Atkins is in charge of the cost controls. They explained the different departments that interact with the SMART program. Provided a PowerPoint overview of the SMART Bond program as of June 30th. District is starting

third year with the projects. Gave a PowerPoint overview of the SMART program and where we currently are in the process. Rules & Regulations Marlene Gabby updates the school contact person. Early successes were music instruments with 33,000 in the hands of students. 15 tracks planned, 3 in the middle school and 5 at the high school are completed, and there are seven remaining tracks remaining. 84% of the projects are underway.

Mr. Patrick Sipple – Director, Demographic & Student Assignments Department

Updating school board policy 5004. Clarifying some language to align with State Statute. Added new language for the 6 to 12 academies. Additional language was added for second quarter reassignments. In order to come into alignment with policy 5.1 that if somebody is found to have falsified documents that they will not be afforded the opportunity to have an end of semester completion reassignment. Also added language for a second round of hardship reassignment after February. The hardship must have occurred after the first round. No boundary changes from staff for the 2018/19. Pushed back the timeline due to the Hurricane. Under enrolled schools need to be looked at. Going to the SB 10/24 workshop. Community proposals are being looked at. They will be going to a SB workshop to see if they move forward. Final changes to the SB policy 5004 is 11/7/2017. Mr. Sipple will send recommended changes to policy 5004 to the Chair.

371 students from Puerto Rico and the islands, along with military, have come to the school districts that were impacted by the hurricanes

The membership of the committee was clarified with the resolution adopted on June 24, 2017.

Resolution: As schools are notified of a potential impact to their school by a boundary proposal, the principal of the impacted school will work with his/her SAF/SAC chairperson and the forum/council to select a member to be the representative for the impacted school community on the SBC in addition to the I-Zone representative.

Mr. Charles Webster – Legislative Affairs

A page will be made available for parents to respond to the legislature to advocate for their children. Gave update on funding received last year. HB 7069 sharing millage could cost \$125 million over 5 years. First day of session is January 9th and last day is March 9th. The lawsuit is also addressing the prohibition using dollars for private education.

Mr. Dan Gohl – Chief Academic Officer

Takes the state and federal regulations and puts them in place. What is the school day look like? There are 20 different departments. His department looks at professional development. Makes sure that everything is coherent. Access to Canvas is through the single sign in. Buying licenses for 24/7/365 access. We are one of the first school districts in the United States, that if a parent consents the district will issue a Broward County Library card connected with your school district ID so that everyone has access to what they pay for. The privacy issue was cleared with the privacy officer. Parent need to give their consent.

The issue on parents signing waivers out of the District policy from teachers and Question was raised as to the parents signing waivers overriding the homework makeup policy. Teachers have on their syllabus where parents need to sign approving a statement that teachers have to override what SB policy is on makeup homework. The syllabus gives all the assignments for the whole quarter and teachers are saying you knew about it so you do not get the extra time to make up the work, even though the student was not taught that lesson or was not able to participate in a tutoring session upon return to the classroom. Mr. Gohl advised that the SB contemplated very hard as to what the policy should be. At the elementary level students can hand in work late because the district is looking for mastery. Even if they get it in late it should be graded for full credit. At the middle school level there is a slight penalty. At the High school level it is capped.

DAC has taken a position. DAC position has always been to separate behavior from academics. Refer to Florida Statute (F.S.1003.33) which separates out a grade for academics, behavior and attendance.

8:30 p.m. - Motion to extend meeting by 15 minutes. Laura Marsh, all in favor.

Approval of Minutes: March 8th, April 5th, May 10th. Approved as written.

Adjourn 8:45 p.m.