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Family and Community Involvement Advisory Committee Minutes

Call to Order

The Family and Community Involvement Advisory Committee (FCIAC) meeting held in SBAB conference room 559 and simultaneously via Zoom meeting on Monday, January 10, 2022, was called to order by Nancy Lawther, at 9:33 a.m.

Introductions

Skipping over any action that needs to be voted on because there is no physical quorum until we reach our number

Attendance/Members Present

In-Person

Aundray Adams, Laura Crenshaw-Philpot, Kenny Francois, Beverly Heller, Laura Hernandez, Lina Hodgson, Sheila Jackson, Nancy Lawther, Renata Merjam, Patricia Ortega, Dislamy Pelayo, Lisa Robertson, Nadeige Theresias-Joisil, Meriel Seymore, Sharon Watson, Antonio White

Zoom

Ijeoma Adele, Enrique Escallon, Priscilla Haz, Laura Hernandez, Olema Herrera, Mercy Lux, , Carolyn Nelson-Goedert, Dannie McMillion, Bernadette Montgomery, Tyler O'dneal, Reinaldo Palacios, Flavia Maria Pedrosa, , Tommy Richardson, Diana Santangelo, Meagan Sawyer, Angel Roriguez, Alessandra Saligo, Lenora Stafford

Also Present

Joseph Bevilacqua (Zoom), Maria Diaz-Almendral, Daisy Gonzalez-Diego, Olema Herrera (Zoom), Edward Mcauliffe (Zoom), Lisa Thurber

Superintendent's Report

Daisy Gonzalez-Diego

Superintendency

Letter of intent within 7 days to Board Attorney's office

Last day is February 3; although willing to stay until February 14

Contract to start in LA on March 1

Hope to appoint someone within the month

Not interested in an interim

Q: Sharon Watson

How is the community being involved in the process?

A: Daisy

That is a question for the Board.

Q: Will the district publicly announce applicants?

A: Daisy

I will be asking the legal department of the process in place to publish all applications and candidates.

Q: Nancy

Can we ask once the list is closed?

A: Daisy

We are sure that this information will be made public. I will make sure that this group gets the information.

Q: Sharon Watson

Is true that we have 100,000 students out?

A: Daisy

That headline is a bit misleading, that number included Broward and Dade, we are now at about 89 %.

Committee (and PTA) wants list/resumes of candidates that apply

Superintendent Carvalho present –

spoke on his time in Miami, thanked the committee for their collaboration and support.

Regional Reports

North Region

Reinaldo Palacios

At the North Region Holiday Gathering in December 2021, 270 Target Gift Cards were collected from Administrators. The gift cards were donated to the MDCPS “Project UP-START” program. The cards were distributed to Unaccompanied Homeless Youth for the holidays.

The Florida Department of Education recently released this year's Federal Graduation Rate. Hialeah Miami Lakes Sr. High's graduation rate increased by 1% point. What is most significant, is that HML Sr. has now reached the ultimate 100% Graduation Rate. HML Sr. High is the only high school in the North Region (excluding FIU MAST and Jose Marti Mast) that earned 100% Graduation Rate. It is an amazing milestone for the students, staff, and community.

Over 2000 students in 54 NRO schools participated in Winter Academy. Students were provided opportunities to mitigate learning loss through prescribed academic instruction (English, Math, Science, etc.).

NRO Parent Advocates are available to aid our NRO parents with school-related matters.

Central Region

Deborah Gonzalez

No report from Central Region

South Region

Lina Hodgson

South Region continues to process Parent Choice Transfer Request and our Parent Advocate continues to work with parents and schools to find a happy ending for the best interest of the student.

South Region also process E14 form-Florida High School Athletic Association (FHAA) for untraditional students (homeschool, online learning, and chapter and private schools without sports program) can play sport at chosen school under 90% capacity rate.

Controlled Open Enrollment will start on February 01 – February 28, 2022. Parents can go to dadeschools.net and search for form 7646E to complete and submit to SROcontrolledopenenrollement@dadeschools.net. This form does not need to go through the school for an administrative signature. Only the list of schools that are under 90% capacity rate is available doing this special period of time.

Parent choice Transfer process will start on March 01, 2022

Title 1

Lenora Stafford

On December 10th, the Title I NRC partnered with Project Up-START and hosted a *Give Back Event* at the center. Needy families received gifts, food, and other special holiday items.

A Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP) Training for Selected Title I Staff is being held at the center every Friday during the month of January. The training will provide self-help concepts of recovery and wellness. These skillsets will support productivity while also promoting preventative measures to identify and help decrease stressors, which can ultimately help participants work toward a better quality of life.

Beginning the month of February, the Title I NRC has partnered with the University of Florida's Expanded Food Nutrition Education Program to offer a 5-week webinars series on *Cooking Matters at Home*. Families can learn about the types of food that can be used to create quick, family-friendly, low-cost meals. During the 5-weeks, the following topics will be discussed: family meals, food safety, kids in the kitchen, recipes, and snacks, and more.

Superintendents Panel for Students with Exceptionalities

Beverly Heller for Enrique Escallon

Meets bi-monthly Subcommittees meet alternate months

General meeting last month working on three issues

1. We are working on getting parents information, assisting where to go
2. Non-ESE Teachers and Administrators/Staff need sensitivity training related to ESE students; particularly those that aren't evident
3. All students in 1st grade have been tested for gifted; 10% were identified that wouldn't have previously been identified by their teacher/parent (ESSER Funding)

PTA

Sharon Watson and Nancy Lawther

PTA is currently planning for the Founders Day event and Year-End Gala (Hoping to meet in person for the gala)

Membership is down this year from two years ago, but up from last year

Scholarship committee is getting ready

Application deadline February 1 for Florida PTA

Scholarship Committee- Fifteen \$1,000 based on financial need to graduating seniors of a school with PTA in good standing (meeting to amend by-laws to expand eligible areas - community-based)

FCIAC Parent Budget Sub-Committee

Nancy Lawther

Reviewed impact of Governor's budget

There will also be House/Senate budgets at end of February/March

Session starts tomorrow, it will be a very active session

Citizens Coalition

Enrique Escallon

We will meet after this meeting

Our focus is legislative, particularly ESE funding issues, and the exodus of students from public to the private sector

FCIAC Priorities Presentations - Cyber Safety and Security

Olema Herrera, District Supervisor – Department of Instructional Technology

Edward McAuliff, Chief Information Security Officer – Data Security, Governance, and Compliance

Major Joseph Bevilacqua, Miami Dade-Schools Police Department

Edward McAuliffe - Chief Security Officer

Not going to give detailed information which would compromise our systems

Superintendent dedicated \$5M to augment systems and ESSER funding has allowed to make \$100M in infrastructure upgrades

Landscape is changing on a daily basis - K12 sector has become a large target

Fishing campaigns allow us to address trends; gives tips and tricks video that it wasn't legit

Three-time recipient of the award - one of 18 districts nationwide
Addressed bus route message/employee error through School Messenger/Communications has worked with Transportation to address in order to prevent future errors
RFP being released for CyberSecurity Awareness Training for Employees; could possibly include cyber-bullying

Question: Is funding adequate? At this point -- yes, in large part due to ESSER

Major Bevilacqua - School Police

Cyber-security/Sexting/Cyber-bullying - spoofing to mask identifies/Hacking/Identity Theft with student information (small)

Gaming consoles via their use

Smartphones with unlimited data and little restrictions

Platforms: Instagram/SnapChat/Periscope/Tumblr/House Party/Tumblr/Tik

Tok/Discord/Whats App/Telegram/STEAM (Gaming Message App)/AirDrop/Virtual Private Networks (VPN)

Popularity: Likes/Peer Pressure/No Parental Oversight/Poor education on

Consequences/Unlimited Data and Screen Time/Desensitized to Violence/Access to Inappropriate Content

Monitoring Software: Net Nanny/ATT My Family/Ourpact/Quostodio

Mental Health Counseling

In-school/teachers ask for devices in basket

Place to send threats to School Police - Fortify FL in Portal and App/Miami-Dade

Crimestoppers/police@dadeschools.net

Olema Herrera- Instructional Technology

PowerPoint on Digital Citizenship - SAM/Cyber-Bullying (Shared a video) Common Sense Media

Technology Integration Documents - Curriculum Resources in Portal with Pacing Guides ISTE Standards; Best Practices for teachers to use in classroom/Professional Development

Enrique shared that students with special needs are often targets of bullying

The downside of integrating education with technology is cyberbullying

Nancy and Sara thanked all presenters

Office of Communications and Community Engagement - Superintendent's Report

Lisa Thurber

School volunteers are increasing slowly; must follow COVID protocols

Follow-Up on students who are nursing, school-allied health to see if they are returning

TOY - February 3 @ Doubletree in-person tables of 8/food at conclusion of program/live-streamed

AHOF Reception February 10/Gala February 12

Inductees

Sara/Maria - Family Engagement

Families Matter Recognition and professional development opportunities: Best Practices in Family Engagement

Partnering with Title I: Stronger Together PD opportunities for all CISs

Announcements

Magnet Deadline: Saturday, January 15 - online and postmarked; encourage all 5 options

TPA Live Workshops - FutureBound Program

The Children's Trust - reviewers of applications

VPK Lottery - end of February

Together for Children - Countywide Parent and Youth Committees

Title I Neighborhood Resource Center - willing to share fliers and info

Next Meeting in February 14,2022

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 am