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CHARTER ACADEMIC VILLAGE ADVISORY BOARD PEMBROKE PINES, FL

November 10, 2025, 2025

At the Regular Meeting of the **CHARTER ACADEMIC VILLAGE ADVISORY BOARD** on Monday, November 10, 2025, at 6:00 P.M., in the SW Regional Library Auditorium, 16835 Sheridan Street, Pembroke Pines, Florida, Vice Chair Dawkins called the meeting to order. All stood for the pledge. Board Secretary Borgstrom called the roll and declared a quorum.

2025-2026 ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Chair Reynoso, Members Thompson, Razza, White, Htiet and Gill.

ABSENT: Vice Chair Dawkins, Members Porven and Fitzgerald

ALSO PRESENT: Jonathan Bonilla, Assistant City Manager, Nalini Sohit-Vazquez, City Controller, Peter Bayer, Principal and Board Secretary Katherine Borgstrom

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Jonathan Bonilla introduced Rich Pessaro, from Transportation Authority. There were no questions from parents, but Mr. Bonilla spoke about the transportation page on the school website and encouraged parents to use that portal to ask any questions from transportation or to enroll their students to ride the system.

Mr. Bonilla reported that the School Lottery for 2026-2027 will open on January 2 and run through February 10. All returning students will need to re-enroll using the lottery portal.

Nalini Sohit-Vazquez spoke about the fundraising efforts for the charter schools by listing the various areas of participation, which include the parent donation, corporate banners and sponsorships, parent banners, email blasts from partnerships, restaurant events and T-shirts sales. Ms. Sohit-Vazquez also spoke of the Giving Tuesday on December 2nd. This is a nationwide event where participants can donate to a charity of

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their choosing, including the Charter School Foundation. There is information on the website and flyer.

MINUTES:

A motion by Member Gill, seconded by Member White, to approve the October 6, 2025 minutes as received passed unanimously.

EXCUSED ABSENCES:

A motion by Member Gill, seconded by Member Razza, to excuse Vice Chair Dawkins, Members Porven and Fitzgerald passed unanimously.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Mr. Bayer presented the results of the A+ Funds Distribution voting, which was that everyone at Charter Academic Village for 2024-2025 will be given a share of the A+ Funds as the City distributes them.

A motion by Member Gill, seconded by Member Razza, to approve the 2024-2025 Charter Academic Village A+ Funds Distribution Committee Report with the final voting results for distribution of the A+ Funds and to send to City Commission for final approval passed unanimously.

Mr. Bayer introduced Dr. Maraj, who presented the 2025-2026 Charter System Wellness Policy and she took questions. The board approved the only change – the date – from the prior year.

A motion by Member Razza, seconded by Member White, to approve the 2025-2026 Charter System Wellness Policy as presented and to send to City Commission for final approval passed unanimously.

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Mr. Bayer introduced Ms. Salazar and Ms. Abolafia, who presented the 2025-2026 Charter Academic Village School Improvement Plan. They also took questions from the board members and parents.

A motion by Member White, seconded by Member Htiet, to approve the 2025-2026 Charter Academic Village School Improvement Plan as presented and to send to City Commission for final approval passed unanimously.

Mr. Bayer also spoke about sports teams results.

OPEN FORUM:

A parent shared their experience of chaperoning the band at their recent state contests. He observed the students were well-behaved and very hard workers, especially being that the day was about twenty hours in total. He commented on the trucks and trailers needed to take the band equipment to and from the contest venue. He put forth the idea that a semi-trailer would hold all of the equipment, would cut down on the need to hire multiple drivers and would be more convenient for students loading and unloading and knowing where specific pieces of equipment should be stored. He spoke of having the parents raise the funds for the semi-trailer. A parent also brought up the use of the field situation, stating the band was not able to practice sufficiently due to so many teams needing the field also for their practices. Mr. Bayer explained there are 33 sports and other teams that have need of the field for some of their practice time and it is a constant scheduling opportunity.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

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NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Reynoso adjourned the meeting at 6:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Borgstrom
Board Secretary

Adjourned: 6:44 P.M
Approved: