

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Commissioners
THRU: Charles F. Dodge, City Manager
FROM: Katherine Borgstrom – Board Secretary
DATE: November 6, 2019
SUBJECT: Charter Elementary/Middle School Advisory Board Regular Meeting
November 5, 2019

S U M M A R Y

2019-2020 CHARTER ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD:

PRESENT: Chairman Martinez, Vice Chairman McGovern, Members Gill, Razza, Crute, Dawkins, Baranwal, Osorio and Estevez; Alternate Member Hteit

ABSENT: Member Sylvester

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Frank Ortis, City Comptroller Jonathan Bonilla, Parent Liaison SOS Committee Julio Garrido; Principals Augustin, Chance and Castellano, Board Secretary Katherine Borgstrom

THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY ONLY OF ACTIONS TAKEN AT THE NOVEMBER 5, 2019 MEETING. DETAILED MINUTES WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE UPON APPROVAL BY THE BOARD AT THE NEXT MEETING

MEET THE CANDIDATES SESSION

Two parents were brought forward to serve as alternate members. One for East Elementary and one for Central Middle.

MAYOR ORTIS

Mayor Ortis thanked the school staff, faculty, advisory board members and parents for their continued support of the Charter School System. He presented illustrations of how the City is recognized across the nation and the Charter School System is attributed to the accolades given to the City of Pembroke Pines.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Jonathan Bonilla spoke concerning the current efforts of the City Commission to have a bill presented in the 2020 legislative session that will enable the Charter School to receive a fair share of the local tax dollars for education. He also stated the 2020-2021 budget process will begin in January 2020.

Julio Garrido spoke about the parent contribution letter and pledges needing to be fulfilled. He encouraged parents to participate in upcoming restaurant events for fundraising and the spring events. Just Salads will be donating 25% every Sunday through May of any purchase from the mention of the Charter School and there will be two evenings for fundraising at Cream in November. He is also encouraging a parent to step forward to take the liaison position for 2020-2021, as he is graduating out.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Principal Chance presented the 2019-2020 First Day handbooks for Elementary and Middle School and the Proactive Discipline Handbook for Middle School and these were approved by the board. Principal Augustin presented the 2018-2019 Elementary

A+ Funds Distribution Committee results. Mr. Jordan Cecic and Advisory Board Member Gill presented the 2018-2019 Middle School A+ Fund Distribution Committee results. Both plans were approved by the board. Mr. Chance presented November calendar events and stated that on December 4 the Middle School Soccer team and the Cross Country team will be recognized at the City Commission meeting. Principal Castellano presented the date for the Raising Positive Children seminar, on Thursday, November 21, at 6:30 PM at City Center and all are invited to participate. Parents can receive five volunteer hours for attending.

OPEN FORUM:

Parents, teachers, and board members discussed the A+ Funds Distribution results for the middle school and how the process was carried out. Board members have requested that each level provide them with a written detailed report on how the committee was formed this year and the entire process as it was carried out.

OLD BUSINESS

Members ratified to the appointment of two alternate members to the board for 2019-2020.

NEW BUSINESS:

Vice Chairman McGovern attended the November 4 meeting of the Charter Academic Village Advisory Board and reported on the meeting.

ACTION TAKEN:

- Motion passed to accept the minutes of the October 1, 2019 meeting as corrected.
- Motion passed to excuse absence of Member Sylvester for November meeting and Members Osorio and Dawkins for the October meeting.
- Motion passed to approve the 2019-2020 First Day Packets for Elementary and Middle School levels and to forward to the City Commission.
- Motion passed to approve the 2019-2020 Middle School Proactive Discipline Handbook and will be forwarded to the City Commission.
- Motion passed to request detailed report from all three levels of the process used in the 2018-2019 A+ Funds Distribution Committee and to further discuss at December meeting possible workshop(s) to consider recommendations for future process considerations.
- Motion passed to appoint two alternate members to the board for 2019-2020.

PLEASE NOTE: The next Regular Meeting of the Charter Elementary Middle School Advisory Board will be Tuesday, December 3, 2019, 6:00 p.m. at the Charter School, West Campus, 18500 Pembroke Road, Pembroke Pines, Florida.