

# AMENDED MINUTES

**Florida Atlantic University Schools Advisory Body  
Wednesday, November 10, 6:00pm  
A.D. Henderson University School Media Center  
College of Education, Florida Atlantic University**

**I. Call to Order/Sign-In/Flag Salute/Approval of Agenda**

Call to order made by Ms. Daphna Smolka, Chair, at 6:03pm.

**Motion** – Motion was made by Mr. Marc Hopin to approve the Agenda.

**Second** – Seconded by Mr. Shevrin Jones

**Unanimous Approval**

**II. Welcome**

Ms. Daphna Smolka, Chair

Ms. Smolka welcomed the members of the School Advisory Body.

Members who were present:

Ms. Sharon Chapnick – High School Parent Representative

Ms. Lacey Chimienti – Secretary and Elementary Faculty Representative

Ms. Emma del Real – Business/Community Citizen

Mr. Jonathan Goldberg -- Staff Representative

Dr. Patricia Hodge – Principal/Director

Mr. Marc Hopin – Treasurer and Middle School Parent Representative

Mr. Shevrin Jones – At-Large Faculty Representative

Mr. Tom Ievoli – Middle School Faculty Representative

Dr. Stephen Locke – FAU Faculty Representative

Ms. Tracie Nieporte –At-Large Parent Representative

Mr. David Santiago – Student Representative, FAU High

Dr. Deborah Shepherd – College of Education, Dean’s Office Representative

Ms. Daphna Smolka – Chair and Elementary School Representative

Others Present:

Ms. Allyn Margolies – Recording Secretary

Dr. Terri Watson – Dean of Students, ADHUS and FAU High School

Mr. Sebastian Perez – FAU High School Student

Members who were absent:

Mr. Elliott Bernstein – Vice Chair and At-Large Parent Representative (Excused)

**III. Introductions**

Ms. Daphna Smolka, Chair

Dr. Patricia Hodge introduced an audience member, Mr. Sebastian Perez, a student at FAU High.

**IV. Approval of Minutes** Ms. Daphna Smolka, Chair

**Approval of October 13, 2010 Monthly SAB Meeting Minutes:**

**Motion** – Motion was made by Mr. Shevrin Jones to approve the October 13, 2010 FAUS Advisory Body Meeting Minutes

**Second** – Seconded by Mr. Tom Ievoli

**Unanimous Approval**

**Approval of September 22, 2010 FAUS' Committees Meeting Minutes:**

**Motion** – Motion was made by Mr. Marc Hopin to approve the September 22, 2010 FAUS' Committees Meeting Minutes

**Second** – Seconded by Mr. Shevrin Jones

**Unanimous Approval**

**V. Recognitions and Awards** Ms. Daphna Smolka, Chair  
None

**VI. Principal/Director's Report** Dr. Patricia Hodge, Principal/Director

a. A successful 'Student Appreciation Day' was held on Friday, November 5, 2010 for Middle and High School students.

b. The first Honor Roll Assembly was held on Tuesday, November 9, 2010.

c. PTO Ms. Daphna Smolka, Chair

1. Ms. Smolka announced that the school's Book Fair will start on Monday, November 15, 2010 in the ADHUS Media Center.

2. Mr. Hopin told the members about the Thanksgiving Feast, to be held on Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. He stated that it is a really wonderful event and that all SAB members should plan to attend.

3. Ms. Smolka stated that the PTO is finishing up the directory.

4. The PTO will discuss the idea of splitting the cost to add a second check-in machine in the school's front office in order to improve the flow.

i. Mr. Hopin stated that the problem encountered at an earlier date with delayed check-in, which was discussed at the October 13<sup>th</sup> SAB Meeting, has been rectified.

5. Mr. Hopin stated that the PTO Volunteer Form does not seem to be reaching to high school parents and he requested a better way to accomplish this.

**VII. Action Items** Ms. Daphna Smolka, Chair

a. **Health and Wellness Policy** Dr. Patricia Hodge, Principal/Director

1. A change needs to be made to L. Monitoring, #3, last sentence: change "Executive Director and the School Board" to "Assistant Dean, PK-12 Schools."

2. Change policy title from "School Board Policy" to "Health and Wellness Policy."

**Motion** – Motion was made by Mr. Marc Hopin to approve the Health and Wellness Policy, with amendments.

**Second** – Seconded by Mr. Shevrin Jones

**Unanimous Approval**

- b. **School Improvement Plan** Dr. Patricia Hodge, Principal/Director

**Motion** – Motion was made by Ms. Sharon Chapnick to accept the submitted School Improvement Plan, which was approved at the October 13, 2010 SAB Meeting.

**Second** – Seconded by Dr. Patricia Hodge

**Unanimous Approval**

- c. **Change of Dates for November and December SAB Committees and Monthly Meetings** Dr. Patricia Hodge, Principal/Director

1. Discussion was held on how best to combine the meeting dates for the November 24<sup>th</sup> FAUS' Committees Meeting, December 8<sup>th</sup> monthly SAB Meeting, and December 22<sup>nd</sup> FAUS' Committees Meeting, due to school closure on both Committees Meetings dates.

**Motion** – Motion was made by Dr. Patricia Hodge to combine the November 24<sup>th</sup>, December 8<sup>th</sup> and December 22<sup>nd</sup> meetings into a single meeting, to be held on Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup> in the AD Henderson Media, to start at 5:00pm with the combined Committees Meetings and then rolling directly into the December monthly SAB Meeting.

**Second** – Seconded by Mr. Shevrin Jones

**Unanimous Approval**

### VIII. Discussion Items

Ms. Daphna Smolka, Chair

- a. **Race To The Top Update (RTTT)** Dr. Terri Watson, Dean of Students

1. The RTTT application was sent out on Wednesday, November 10, 2010.
2. Dr. Watson stated that there will be 10 specific areas where the school will focus the money received from this program.
3. Dr. Watson went on to further explain the nuances of the program.
4. Dr. Hodge stated that the RTTT document will be placed on our website so that the parents can read it.
5. Dr. Watson stated that Palm Pointe School opted out of this program.

- b. **Education Committee**

1. **Vision Statement** Mr. Shevrin Jones, Comm. Chair
  - i. Mr. Jones stated that Mr. Glenn Thomas addressed the faculty at their November 3rd Faculty Meeting with regard to the feedback received from the SAB members, and offered suggestions on how to improve the draft of the Vision Statement.
  - ii. Mr. Jones hopes to be able to present a revised Vision Statement Draft to the members of the SAB at their December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- c. **Finance Committee** Mr. Marc Hopin, Comm. Chair

1. Mr. Hopin passed out copies of the School Budget Report, Current as of 10/04/10, and reported on same
2. Mr. Hopin is awaiting the receipt of additionally requested information from Mr. Thomas with regard to Activity Fees and the carry-over amount.

- d. **Personnel Committee** Mr. Tom Ievoli, Comm. Chair
1. The Parent/Guardian Pre-Survey link to Survey Monkey was sent out via email.
  2. The final date for completion of this survey is Wednesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>.
  3. Results will be sent to the SAB members on Friday, November 19th.

**IX. Old Business** Ms. Daphna Smolka, Chair  
None

**X. Public Comment** Ms. Daphna Smolka, Chair  
None

**X. Announcements and Comments** Ms. Daphna Smolka, Chair  
None

**XI. Adjournment** Ms. Daphna Smolka, Chair

**Motion** – Motion was made by Mr. Marc Hopin to adjourn the meeting at 6:45pm

**Second** – Seconded by Dr. Patricia Hodge

**Unanimous Approval**