

## MINUTES

**Florida Atlantic University Schools Advisory Board  
Wednesday, July 11, 2007  
5:09 PM -6:18 PM  
A. D. Henderson University School Media Center  
College of Education, Florida Atlantic University**

**I Call to Order/Approval of Agenda**

Call to order made by Chair Fred Platt at 5:09 PM

**II Welcome** Fred Platt, Chairperson

Present at the meeting were Fred Platt, Jerry Alfano, Maria Gordillo, Gina Sands, and Glenn Thomas. Board members that were not present were Rangasamy Ramasamy, Barbara Ridener, Deborah Shepherd, Alex Nachlas, and David Perry. Guests present at meeting were Dr. Marla Brady, Denise Platt, and Mark Hopin, Chair of the School Advisory Council.

**III Approval of Minutes** Fred Platt, Chairperson

**Motion** – Motion by Maria Gordillo to approve the Minutes of the June 6, 2007 Meeting.

**Second** – Seconded by Gina Sands

**Unanimous Approval**

**IV Recognitions and Awards** Dr. Marla Brady, Principal

Congratulations extended to John Hardman on his new position as Coordinator of Research Programs/Services.

Dr. Marla Brady congratulated staff, parents and students for achieving “A” status with the State Department of Education, as well as meeting Federal Requirements for Adequate Yearly Progress.

**V SAC Report** Dr. Marla Brady, Principal

None

**VI Director’s Report** Glenn Thomas, Director

1. Faculty Vacancies- Mr. Thomas requested to continue accessing networks to recruit candidates and fill positions for the upcoming year. Dr. Brady reported the position status and that the pool of applicants will be closed on Friday (7-

13-2007). They are as follows: 5 Offer Letter Requested; 3 Re-Posted; 2 Checking References on Selected Candidate; 1 Posting Extended; and 1 Posted/Closed and On-Hold.

2. Preliminary Operating Budget Report 2006-2007- A Revenue Estimating Conference was held in which it was reported a 4% reduction in state agency budgets for the 07-08 school year. The Department of Education will provide specific funding targets following the general revenue estimating conference that is scheduled for August 1st. This issue will impact operating FTE funds and categorical items including instruction materials, however, foundation funds will not be cut or impact faculty development or technology initiatives.
3. Request for Board Approval of OEF/DOE Certification- The Board Certification for Classrooms for Kids Program (05-06; 06-07) was requested to be moved to an action item. This program will ensure that sufficient student capacity exists within the district's current facilities.

**Motion-** Motion was made by Maria Gordillo.

**Second-** Seconded by Jerry Alfano.

**Unanimous Approval**

4. Information Items:
  - a. A memorandum of the chancellors' response to superintendents' teleconference.
  - b. The Senate Bill 988 regarding children's safety.

## **VII Action Items**

Fred Platt, Chairman

1. Interinstitutional Articulation Agreement 07-08- This document has been revised in accordance to the changes requested in the prior meeting. Board approval is now necessary.

**Motion** – Motion made by Gina Sands.

**Second** – Seconded by Jerry Alfano.

**Unanimous Approval**

2. Several revisions were made following the previous board meeting. Changes included clarifications regarding satisfaction of bonus points, principal discretion for acceptance of course credits, and hours that are necessary for graduation.

**Motion** – Made by: Jerry Alfano

**Second** – By Maria Gordillo

**Unanimous Approval.**

3. **Admission Policy Edits (5.0)**- Appropriate changes were made to the policy as requested in the previous meeting. This includes dates for enrollment in the application, modification of the web address, specific amounts of activity fees that were eliminated, and payment qualifications.

**Motion**- Made by: Maria Gordillo

**Second** – Seconded by Gina Sands- as amended and circulated to the board for review.

**Unanimous Approval.**

**VIII Discussion Items**

Fred Platt, Chairman

1. **Advanced Academics**- Lead teachers involved will develop a pilot with the assistance from SMaRT and AIT students. A small pilot is anticipated for the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester.
2. **Activities Fee**- This matter has been tabled to be discussed at a later date.

**IX Old Business**

Fred Platt, Chairman

None

**X. Public Comment**

Comments made by Mr. Hopin in regards to the relationship between students that qualify for free lunch and their assessment of activity fees were discussed by the board and the appropriate changes were recommended.

Mr. Hopin inquired about the SAC report status. He was informed that the data sheet was cleared.

**XI Announcements, Communications and School Board Comments**

Possible change of committee meetings to 5:30 pm

There will be a live streaming online of the State Teacher of the Year on July 18, at 6:30pm.

**XII Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Fred Platt at 6:15 PM.