



School Advisory Council (SAC) 2025-2026

Meeting Minutes

Location: Family Resource Hub, Room 115

Date: September 26, 2025

Time: 8:15 A.M.

Topic	Notes
I. Welcome & Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 8:25 a.m. by Ms. Kia Moore, SAC Chairperson. Everyone introduced him/herself.
II. Review of May 2025 Minutes	Ms. Moore reviewed the minutes from the May 22, 2025, meeting. The Motion to Approve the Minutes was done by Ms. N. Powell and seconded by Mrs. Kristina Bielskus-Barone.
III. Annual Ratification of SAC/SAF By-Laws	<p>Ms. Moore reviewed the bylaws and membership of the School Advisory Council, SAC, and the School Advisory Forum, SAF.</p> <p>The SAC officers are: Kia Moore, Chairperson Tracy Evans-Walker, SAC Secretary and BTU Designee Quaneshia Lofton, I-Zone Representative Kristina Bielskus-Barone, Teacher Tamara Rose, ESE Parent Gianella Betancourt, ESOL Parent Janelle Newton, Non-Instructional Chelsea Hyppolite, Pre-K Parent Angel Colson, Parent Jermilla Augustin, Community/Business Representative</p> <p>The SAF officer is: Jose Moise, SAF Chairperson</p>
IV. Election of Officers	Officers were elected and voted in at today's meeting.
V. Current School Wide Data Review	Ms. Moore explained the assessments to the families. The Assessments are:

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	<p>Brigance: Used to evaluate a child's development in areas such as language, motor skills, cognitive/academic skills, self-help, and social-emotional skills.</p> <p>Literacy 1: Assesses Letter Names, Sounds, and Concepts of Print knowledge</p> <p>STAR Early Literacy: Measures foundational reading, language, and early numeracy skills (VPK Only)</p> <p>Our current school data is as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="576 905 1417 1144"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Brigance</th> <th>Literacy 1</th> <th>STAR Early Literacy</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th>% Passed</th> <th>% Passed</th> <th>% Passed</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Head Start 3</td> <td>44%</td> <td>67%</td> <td>N/A</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Head Start 4</td> <td>75%</td> <td>92%</td> <td>N/A</td> </tr> <tr> <td>VPK</td> <td>33%</td> <td>100%</td> <td>89%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>She explained that the data will be used to determine Multi-tiered System of Support (MTSS) for students who need to be monitored or need additional support.</p>		Brigance	Literacy 1	STAR Early Literacy		% Passed	% Passed	% Passed	Head Start 3	44%	67%	N/A	Head Start 4	75%	92%	N/A	VPK	33%	100%	89%
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<p>VI. School Improvement Plan</p>	<p>Ms. Nelsha Powell, Assistant Principal, explained the School Improvement Plan. She stated that our goal is to improve early literacy. She explained further what children will be taught. Mrs. Kristina Bielskus-Barone, ESE Specialist, added that our school's Best Practices for Inclusive Education (BPIE) was developed with the goal of providing more inclusive programs for ESE students. For example, all three- and four-year-old students gather in the Welcome Center in the morning. We also have the Innovative Learning Lab where these children enjoy literacy through the arts for thirty minutes daily. Additionally, students participate in outdoor activities along with nondisabled peers. These inclusive opportunities mean that if a child has different abilities they learn with their same-aged peers.</p>																				
<p>VII. School Environmental</p>	<p>Ms. Tarshe' Freeman, Principal, explained School Environmental Safety Incident Report, SESIR, as thirteen given events that if</p>																				

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Safety Incident Report (SESIR)	they happen on the school campus or in the community must be reported to the state, local police department, and families. Currently we have zero incidents.
VIII. Principal Updates	<p>Principal Tarshe' Freeman shared the following:</p> <p>Hands-on SoFlo built an outdoor reading garden for students. She added that our children can plant flowers, etc. Ms. Robinson, of Family and Community Engagement, FACE and our resident Arborist, planted basil and other herbs.</p> <p>Picture Day is scheduled on October 7th. Families will receive a flier.</p> <p>Story Book Character Parade and Trunk or Treat is scheduled on Friday, October 31st.</p> <p>Meal Application – An application must be completed for each child. If a parent fails to complete the application the child will still be provided with lunch, however, the parent will be called to pay.</p> <p>Attendance – All students should attend regularly and punctually so they do not miss instruction.</p> <p>Ms. Freeman encouraged families to inform us of the events they currently enjoy as well as to make suggestions about what they would like to see continued or improved.</p> <p>Ms. Moore thanked Ms. Brinson and Mrs. Evans-Walker for working with children to create the school's Peace Week Banner. She shared that we are dressed in white to celebrate Peace Day.</p>
IX. Questions & Answers	There were no questions.
X. Next Meeting	October 15, 2025, at 8:15 a.m. in the Family Resource Hub
XI. Adjournment	A motion was made by Ms. Freeman and seconded by Mrs. Evans-Walker to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 a.m.

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