

Sunland Park Academy
SAC & SAF Minutes - September 24, 2025

Call to Order:

A meeting of the Sunland Park Academy's School Advisory Council and School Advisory Forum was held on Wednesday, September 24, 2025. SAC Chair, Mrs. McDowell, called the meeting to order at 5:43 p.m.

SAF Updates: Ms. Max (Introduced by Mrs. McDowell)

- There is a rumor that the District is closing schools –
 - 34 schools are on the list to be assessed due to low school grades and attendance
- Title 1 Grant Schools went from 199 to now only 133 schools which was based on student attendance
 - There 9,000 kids that are not accounted for in Broward County
- Video cameras will be placed in the restrooms at Middle & High Schools to detect which student is vaping
 - If there is a group of students only the student vaping will be detected
- Broward Estates had 64 seat with 96 seats total for the county to be filled but 16 were allotted for Early learning / 21 HeadStart / 17 VPK / 10 PreK ESE
- School Funding
 - Some schools are losing their SAC funding – the District is taking it
 - Most schools have lost their reading coach and music teachers
 - There are 130 teacher vacancies in Broward
- Parents with FOCUS issues, a number will be provided next meeting to call for support
- Parents are not assisting their children with homework, the District is in the works creating a Boot Camp which will be taught by the teachers so parents can learn how to help their child with their homework
- Not all schools will receive a nurse this year, students have to have a dire need in order for one to be assigned
 - We (Sunland Park) are 1 of the schools without a nurse on site
 - We will use TeleHealth and a form will be sent out for consent
 - We do not have enough documented students (such as diabetic with need of insulin) to be considered a school that needs a consistent nurse on site

SAC: Mrs. McDowell welcomed parents and reported the following ...

- **Welcome**
- **SAC Composition:**
 - Accountability funds will start being taken by the end of this year, it is the SAC composition who votes and decides outcome
 - This year is our 3rd A, the \$24,000 from the previous 2 years of receiving a school grade of an A
 - A current amount goes to the teacher and a portion is used towards our students
 - The money will no longer rollover or continue to rollover into the next school year, we need to clear out the majority of these funds
 - SAC members are needed to come to these meetings once a month unless it's an emergency meeting, your role as a SAC committee member is to come here and vote
 - For example the members will vote yes or no for a request to remove money from our account (Accountability Account)
 - **Reviewed opened composition titles and responsibilities**
 - BTU Steward – **Dr. Russell**
 - Community Business Rep – (Dr. Jefferson will look into finding a representative)
 - IEP Parent (ESE) – **Kadence Delay** (choose to remain in their position) parent
 - PreK Parent –
 - ESOL Parent – **Kat Joseph** (?? Not sure if the child is qualified as ESOL) – interested parent
 - I-Zone Rep –
 - Non-Instruction – **Ms. Applin**
 - PreK Parent –
 - SAC Chair & Co-Chair – **Ms. Robertson & Ms. Johnson** (choose to remain in their position)
 - SAF Chair – **Ms. Max** (choose to remain in her position)

- Secretary – **Ms. Voltaire** (choose to remain in her position)
- Teacher – **Mrs. Moseley**
- Open Parent – **Brenda Pineda** - parent
- Welcome our new SAC Composition 😊
- **Reviewed Bylaws:** Mrs. McDowell read and reviewed the current Bylaws for SAC & SAF
 - **SAC:** Article 1 – Name / Article 2 – Purpose / Article 3 – Membership / Article 4 – Officers (the position is held for 1yr minimum- you are not automatically appointed to a 2nd yr) Article 5 - Officer Duties (elected annually at the September meeting) / Article 6 – Meetings / Article 7 – Committees: (keeping election discussions during out 1st school year meeting and review for any changes or missing position at the 2nd meeting) / Article 8 – Using School Improvement / Article – 9 SAC Trainings & Activities / Article 10 – Amendments / Article 11 – Authority
 - Members voted (All Yeas) after each article description / explanation
 - By Laws accepted, no changes (Ms. Robertson motioned to accept and Mrs. Moseley 2nd)
 - **SAF:** Article 1 – Name / Article 2 – Objectives / Article 3 – Membership / Article 4 – Officers / Article 5 - Committees / Article 6 – Meetings / Article 7 – Amendments / Article 8 – Authority
 - By Laws accepted (Ms. Robertson motioned and Mrs. Moseley 2nd)
- **Review May Minutes:**
 - Correction – Robinson to Robertson
 - Ms. Max SAF Update – just No Free Lunch instead of Breakfast/Lunch (Free Breakfast)

School Accountability Funds: Mrs. McDowell stated the current amount and requested funds for the following ...

- We currently have \$24,712.00 in our account, asking for \$10, 000 (we want to show the District we are using the account)
 - Asking for materials now to purchase due to some budget cuts, next meeting may ask for custodial needs
 - **\$6200 for Prometheans** (there are classrooms without) which is used for teaching
 - **\$3000 for new classroom rugs** (4rugs are need – they are about \$550 per rug)
 - **\$800 for student incentives**
 - Mrs. Moseley – asked if headphones can also be purchased
 - An adjustment was made to the classroom rug amount (\$3000), **\$1000 will be used to purchase student headphones and \$2000 will be used instead to purchase classroom rugs**

***** The request was accepted, and all votes were yea (Ms. Voltaire motioned and Ms. Robertson 2nd)

SESIR Update: Mrs. McDowell stated the current school year's status -

- Incidents that occur that needs to be reported to the state and police are involved – **0 incidents**

Principal Updates and Upcoming Events:

- Picture Day – October 6, 2025

Question/Comments: No other questions or concerns

Meeting Adjournment: 6:36 p.m.

Next Meeting Date & Time: **October 29, 2025 @ 8:30am**

Submitted by: Shirlee Voltaire, SAC Secretary



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**TITLE 1 SCHOOL
SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL/SCHOOL ADVISORY
FORUM MEETING
5:30 P.M.
SEPTEMBER 24, 2025
AGENDA**

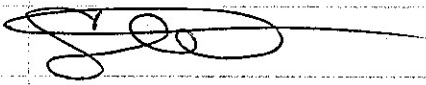
- + Welcome
- + SAF Updates
- + SAC Opening
- + Roll Call to Establish Quorum
- + Review and Approval of May SAC Minutes
- + Parent & Family Engagement Plan
- + School Parent Compact
- + School Improvement Plan
- + School Accountability Funds
- + SESIR Update
- + Principal Updates and Upcoming Events
- + Questions/Concerns

★ SAC Sign in Sheet for Sunland Park Academy (K-3) (0611)

Date: _____		Time: _____			
#	SAC Member Full Name	Position	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Sign Here
1	Bailey, Wayne	Non-Instructional Support Employees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	Wayne Bailey II
2	Bateman, Joseph	Teacher	Yes	No	
3	Brivitte, Maxine	SAF Chair (or designee) Parent of a student at the school	No	No	Maxine Brivitte
4	Delay, Candace	Parent	No	Yes	Candace Delay
5	James, Shakeedriya	I-Zone Representative (must be a parent)	No	Yes	
6	Johnson, Brithney	Community / Business Representatives	No	No	
7	Johnson, Erica	SAC Co-Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	Erica Johnson
8	Lynder, Cottisa	ESE Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
9	McDowell, Nikia	Principal	Yes	No	Nikia McDowell
10	Petit, Magalie	Parent	No	Yes	
11	Robinson, Greer	SAC Co-Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	Greer Robinson
12	Russell, Donna	BTU Steward (or designee)	Yes	No	Donna Russell
13	Tibble, Cara	Pre-K (if applicable - parent or certified teacher)	Yes	No	
14	umana, Reyna	Parent	No	Yes	

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15	Viel, Jean	ESOL Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
16	Voltaire, Shirley	SAC Secretary	Yes	No	
17	Williams, Kadijah	Parent	No	Yes	

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#	Full Name	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Community/Business	Sign Here
1	Angerlean Golden-Applin	✓			Angerlean Golden-Applin
2	Candace Delay		✓		Candace Delay
3	Natalie Moseley	✓			Natalie Moseley
4	Dr. Jason Jefferson	✓			Dr. Jason Jefferson
5	Brenda M Pineda		✓		Brenda M Pineda
6	Jose Maldonado				
7	Iannio Cox		✓		I. Cox
8	Shellyann Walker		✓		Shellyann Walker
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