



Floranada Elementary School

5251 NE 14th Way, Fort Lauderdale, Fl. 33334

Luke Balchaitis, Principal Karen Dallas, Assistant Principal

School Advisory Council (SAC)

October 7, 2025 – 5:15 pm



Mtg. Norms: Attend Meetings on time, begin meetings on time, adhere to agenda, maintain a tone of decency, respect the person speaking, keep comments brief and to the point, everyone participates, and no one dominates.

- Call to order, Welcome, and Norms – Mrs. Landley
- Roll Call and Approval and/or Correction of minutes – Ms. Gamber

Principal – Mr. Balchaitis

1. School Improvement Plan [2025-2026] Review
2. SAC Accountability Funds
3. Review Parent Involvement Allocation Funds
4. School Environment Safety Incident Reporting (SESIR)
5. Assessment Updates

Dates to Remember:

- 10/10: Early Release
- 10/13: No School
- 10/14: Quarter 2 Starts
- 10/17: Terrific Kid
- 10/20: No School
- 10/21: Q1 Report Cards
- 10/24: Falcon Quest/Character Parade/Boo Bash Trunk or Treat
- **Open Discussion (SAC Members)**

SAC Meeting Dates

	November 4, 2025	December 2, 2025	January 6, 2026
February 3, 2026	March 3, 2026	April 7, 2026	May 6, 2026

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School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting Minutes – 10/7/25

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Gamber at 5:16 PM in the media center. A quorum was not present.

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II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

There was no quorum present. Minutes will be reviewed during our next meeting.

IV. Agenda Items

1. School Improvement Plan [2025-2026] Review

Instructional Review: District visitors from ELL, ESE, and other departments observed approximately 15 classrooms. They shared positive feedback (“glows and grows”). The ESE department gave a huge compliment, noting our ESE program was exceptional.

Instructional Support: New system this year: support groups with teachers every Tuesday. Support staff reviews data every Friday, allowing for a quicker feedback loop to better assist teachers.

Mr. B opened the table for questions or input. No questions were provided.

2. SAC Accountability Funds

Mr. B stated that there has been no change with the SAC funds, which may be used for camp later this year.

Mr. B opened the table for questions or input. No questions were provided.

3. SESIR

No incidents reported.

Mr. B opened the table for questions or input. No questions were provided.

4. Budget Updates

Due to budget and enrollment constraints, Floranada will have only one counselor this year. Two counselors require at least 700 students (not counting VPK). Enrollment fell slightly short, so one counselor (Mrs. Chery) position was reduced. She secured a position at another school.

Mr. B opened the table for questions or input. Ms. Dunhill asked what the highest class size is at Florida. Mr. B said that in fourth grade, some classes are at 26.

5. Assessment Updates

PM1 testing is complete. Reviewed proficiency for each grade level. 2024 schoolwide performance was strong overall; science scores were lower last year. PM1 data indicates students came well-prepared this year. Science is a major focus area this school year.

Mr. B opened the table for additional questions or input. Ms. Yset noted that her child has been talking more about science at home.

V. Other Updates/Open Forum

Fencing Update: Meeting with PPO and Purchasing for the grant fund. Floranada will be the first school to receive funding. A walkthrough will occur in the next couple of weeks for measurements.

Upcoming events include the Character Parade and Boo Bash, as well as the Falcon Quest Kickoff (all fall events on October 24). October 31 will remain a normal school day.

Mr. B opened the table for additional questions or input.

VI. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 PM.