

Deerfield Beach Middle School  
SAC Minutes - 5/7/2025\_ Draft format until September's Meeting

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**Attendance: Mrs. Bennett, Ms. Ali, Ms. Phillips, Mrs. Matias, Ms. Rachels, Dr. Kearsse-Creech, Dr. Fulton, Ms. Murphy, Ms. Octave, Ms. Dieujuste, Ms. Dunfee, Ms. Woodson**

**Call to Order:**

Deerfield Beach Middle School Advisory Council meeting was held in the Media Center on 5/7/25. SAC Chair, Erika Bennett called the meeting to order at 3:43 pm. Dr. Kearsse-Creech recorded minutes for this meeting.

Mrs. Matias and Ms. Rachels gave an overview of Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS), which is part of the School Improvement Plan (SIP). SIP has been uploaded for the upcoming year. The school will be continuing with the IB learner profile tickets. The PBIS seems to be working, and we will continue.

Dr. Fulton stated that he believes the PBIS and IB learner profile are working to change the culture. As a school, we have been working to help them become better students as part of our schoolwide expectations. Mrs. Matias stated that we have posted posters all around school and students hear it on the announcements daily. Dr. Fulton stated that next we want to focus on being better communicators and using appropriate language. Mrs. Matias advised that next year we will be graded on the PBIS. Mrs. Dunfee asked if it is always graded, and it is.

Dr. Fulton asked if the parents had any comments on the culture and behavior. Ms. Murphy stated that from the beginning to the end of the year she has noticed a difference, and the students are more positive and polite. Mrs. Rachels stated that the PBIS initiative will start earlier in the year, and we will have the goals of where we want to be by the end of each quarter. Ms. Murphy stated that the teachers need to sign the tickets, and the students must put their names on them. Mrs. Rachels asked if an academic banner could be purchased to go in the cafeteria with all the IB learner profiles and synonyms. Mrs. Dunfee stated that Beacon can be used to make the banner.

Dr. Fulton presented the 2025-2026 Projected Budget. The school needs 1102 students to meet the 2025-2026 projected budget. Mrs. Dunfee asked if we lost ESOL students. Currently the ESOL numbers are staying steady. Mrs. Dunfee asked if we have teachers who have supplements, Dr. Fulton advised that we do and added there will be one section, possibly 2 sections of Culinary Arts. This is predicated on how many sections of history will be needed. There will be one section of Broadcasting, 1 Fashion Design, 1 section of Chorus, 1 STEM. Mrs. Dunfee asked if he would have to hire more teachers. Dr. Fulton stated that this would be a supplement as an additional period. Mrs. Dunfee asked if we have shared teachers with neighboring schools. Deerfield Middle has not done this. Ms. Dunfee stated that Deerfield Elementary needs a music teacher.

Dr. Fulton explained the drop of SVE classes due to the numbers of students coming in and also the pilot VE program that will be starting in the Fall. Dr. Kearsse-Creech explained the difference between SVE and VE and what the VE class would look like. Dr. Fulton stated that we maybe losing one security monitor.

SESIR data is as follows: 2 drug offenses, 1 serious mutual combat, 1 sexual offense. The offenses decreased from March, where there were 9.

Dr. Fulton gave an overview of the FAST data. There are still about 80 students who need to complete makeups. For the lowest quartile was 47% to 48%. There will be 1 point for learning gains. General learning gains last year were at 56 to 51%. Proficiency last year was at 41% to 45%. Sixth graders took math today. There was a total of 56% learning gains.

Dr. Fulton gave an overview of the schools general budget and the process of using this funding before using the approved SAC funds. Dr. Fulton advised that the 8<sup>th</sup> grade high school courses will be seen in the gains.

Mrs. Dunfee asked how the school was looking in reading against the district. At this time those numbers are not available.

May 23<sup>rd</sup> will be the 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance. Tickets can be purchased on the E-store. May 14<sup>th</sup> is the mandatory parent meeting for the End of the Year field trip scheduled for May 21<sup>st</sup>. May 27<sup>th</sup> will be the 8th grade promotion ceremony at 6 pm.

Mrs. Matias will be spearheading the incentive party for learning gains and proficiency on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. The wing party will be on the 29<sup>th</sup> for Algebra, Geometry, and Biology. Interventions are still in process (co-teaching), and pullouts. Civics and Biology will continue interventions until the test. There will be Civics/Biology Boot Camp.

**Minutes:**

**Next Meeting Date & Time:**

The next meeting will be held on 9/3/25 in the Media Center and via Teams.

**Meeting Adjournment:**

Motion: Mrs. Bennett motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:44 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Juanita Kearse-Creech,

SAC Secretary

Approval Date: \_\_\_\_\_