

**Fort Lauderdale High School**  
**(SAC) School Advisory Council Minutes 2/3/2026**

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**Attendance**

**Present:**

Stacey Blecker	Esther Klavan	Valerie Ruwe
Erin Brown	Loretta Edwards	Jacelyn Shiring
Jacquelyn Desilets	Eddie Rodriguez	Alexandra Zaden
Dee Defoe	Sara Gold	Jacklyn James
Asha Lewis	Dave Martin	Paige Brochu

**SAC Call to Order**

A meeting of the Fort Lauderdale High School Advisory Council was held in Room 2072 at 3:30pm on February 3, 2026. Eddie Rodriguez, Assistant Principal, called the meeting to order at 3:32pm and welcomed everyone with a thank you to parents who helped with the Senior BBQ for a fantastic event. He then turned the meeting over to Erin Brown to provide the Principal Report. Quorum was established.

Desired outcomes:

- Welcome
- Principal Report
- Department Presentations
- Minutes Approval (Voting Item)
- STAR Revision
- BIG 5
- SIP Plan Review and Feedback
- SESIR Data
- SAC Funds
- Adjournment

**I. Principal Report | Erin Brown**

Ms. Brown shared the following:

- The recent Senior BBQ was an amazing event.
- Extended learning opportunities are being finalized including ELA, Math, US History, AICE, AP. A flyer summarizing all the opportunities will be provided soon via parent link.
- A parent night will be held on February 19th to go over the testing schedule and preparation for EOC, AICE, AP, and FAST exams. Suicide prevention will also be presented (optional).

- The last early release before Spring break teachers will be trained in suicide prevention.
- FLHS graduation will be at NSU at the same date and time (June 1st at 2pm). Previously, class sizes smaller than 500 were to be held at District facilities as a cost savings measure. However, this changed for all schools due to parent and student feedback. Students will receive a minimum of 4 tickets.
- Recent technology discussion with student leaders raised key topics regarding AI including: (1) need for more guidelines when AI is permitted to be used in classes; (2) when teachers use AI for grading sometimes minor differences lead to significant lost points.
- This week 15 FLHS Seniors are signing for athletic scholarships.
- Other topics raised: Ms. Defoe highlighted the value of this group/parents/teachers reviewing District agendas as a lot of key decisions are being made.

## **II. SAC Minutes Approval | Valerie Ruwe**

- Motion made: To approve the December and January meeting minutes (no noted corrections) by Alexandra Zaden. Second by Jacquelyn Desilets.
  - Motion passed unanimously.

## **III. STAR Revision | Stacey Blecker**

- Ms. Becker presented a proposal to shift unused funds to allow additional tutors for STAR as 70-80 students are arriving each day.
- STAR is already working to leverage additional students and retired teacher volunteers.
- Ms. Brown noted that there is grant money for SAT tutoring, so can shift any allocated SAT tutoring funding as well.
- Motion made: To reallocate STAR funds from November and December to increase the number of STAR teachers per day for Tuesday and Wednesday 3pm sessions by Dee Defoe. Seconded by Loretta Edwards.
  - Motion passed unanimously.
- Other topics raised: PBIS (positive behavior) cart is in need of additional donations.

## **IV. Department Updates | Fernando Vega Cid, Math | Paige Brochu, Science**

- Math: Performance is good at 57% for Algebra 1 and 62% for Geometry. Working hard to increase Algebra I scores further. SAC funded initiatives like “Cones and Conversations” help motivate and celebrate students for doing well.
- Science: Last year was an amazing year with 80% passing rate for Biology, so working to maintain that this year. Fewer total Biology students at 378 as many students already have taken Biology in Middle School. Working with about 200 students identified for intervention based on Q1 and Q2 performance and reading scores.

## **V. School Improvement Plan Monitoring & Feedback : “Big 5” | Eddie Rodriguez**

- 97% of students get 0-1 referral, 3% get 2-4 referrals, and <4 students that get 5+.
- Discipline is progressive, and the District also reviews what FLHS is doing about/for kids with multiple referrals.

- October is the toughest month in terms of peak referrals. 9th and 10th graders receive more referrals.
- Top 5: Class cutting, out of assigned area, insubordination, vaping, fighting. Top 3 areas: Restrooms, school grounds, hallways.
- There were no questions about the data presented.

#### **VI. SESIR Data**

- SESIR Data Reviewed

#### **VII. SAC Funds**

- Fl School Recognition-72,034.00
- Accountability – 11, 097.00

#### **VIII. SAC Adjournment**

- The motion to adjourn was made at 4:30 pm by Dee DeFore and seconded by Loretta Edwards..

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, March 3rd at 3:30pm room 2072.