

Lauderdale Lakes Middle School (LLMS)  
**School Advisory Council (SAC) Minutes - September 3, 2025.**

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**Call to Order:**

The SAC meeting convened at 5:03 p.m. on September 3, 2025, in the LLMS Media Center, with Ms. Kerry-Ann Thomas calling the meeting to order. Lydia Williams served as the recording secretary for the meeting.

**In Attendance:**

Ms. Linda Lopez (Principal), Mr. Markis Facyson (Assistant Principal), Mr. Jay Sohn (Assistant Principal), Mr. Carl Richardson (Interim Assistant Principal), Ms. Kerry-Ann Thomas (SAC Chair), Iris Castro (BTU Steward), Lydia Williams (Non-Instructional).

**Report:**

Kerry-Ann Thomas began the meeting by introducing herself and outlining the goals for the SAC meeting session. Please be advised that the old business items on the agenda, including the February and April 2025 minutes and the review of accountability funds were not addressed during this meeting. This was due to the ongoing process of nominating new SAC members for the 2025-2026 school year, which is a requirement for proper SAC composition.

**I. New Business:**

- a. Ms. Kerry-Ann Thomas began, with new business, by recruiting and nominating new SAC members for the 2025-2026 school year.

**Motions:**

1. For Sudann Ebanks for SAC Chair
2. Lydia Williams for SAC Secretary
3. Students' Representatives Jaylen Williams, Nicholas Peoples, Maika-Lynn Delisca
4. Mr. Brutus for ESE Parent Representative

**Motion passed unanimously**

- b. Ms. Thomas said that we need a representative for the following SAC members:
  1. iZone Safe Chair – vacant
  2. ESOL Parent Representative – Vacant
  3. Non-Instructional Support Employee – Vacant
- c. Ms. Lopez clarified that the iZone SAC chair position requires parents to attend four meetings to represent the school. She also stated that the parents nominated for this position will participate in four meetings and one of the events, which is the Black History Month Showcase. Additionally, Ms. Lopez explained that any parent with children attending Oriole Elementary, Lauderdale Lakes Middle, or Boyd Anderson High School would be eligible to represent multiple schools.
- d. Ms. Thomas, we meet quarterly to collaborate and set agendas for district-wide initiatives. Parents interested in volunteering as SOC Chair are welcome today.

- e. Ms. Thomas nominated Michael Lynn's mom as a high school student center representative because she is a very good student.
  - a. Ms. Lopez requested clarification, stating this is not a position.
- f. Ms. Thomas recommended Jayden Williams and Mikka-Lynn Delisca as the student representatives. She noted that Jayden is now in 8th grade and expressed confidence in his abilities.
- g. Ms. Lopez requested to have 3 students as representatives, instead of two student representatives.
- h. Ms. Thomas nominates student Nicholas Peoples for the 3<sup>rd</sup> student representative.
- i. Ms. Thomas announced that we now have three student representatives and expressed her strong support for this initiative.
- j. Ms. Thomas continues with the recruiting and nominating process positions are open for ESE parent
- k. Ms. Thomas expressed appreciation to everyone by saying, "Thank you for participating; this was a participatory sport. Each of you will receive 10 points."
- l. Ms. Lopez stated that the iZone Safe Chair will collaborate with the SAC Chair; however, the iZone Safe Chair will maintain a separate agenda and is expected to provide a monthly agenda.
- m. Ms. Lopez stated that she had someone in mind who was not present at the meeting today and suggested that she would be able to invite this person as a representative to our next SAC meeting.
- n. Ms. Thomas Introduce the Title 1 representative Mr. Carl Richardson

## II. Report

- a. **Title 1 Report-** Carl Richardson:
- b. Mr. Richardson introduced Mr. Will and Ms. Tidewater from the district Title 1 department.
  - i. Mr. Will stated that free books were distributed to support educational activities, and that the mobile resource, though unavailable today—typically provides additional materials for the children's library.
  - ii. Mr. Will asked if anyone had a question for him regarding Title 1.
- iii. Ms. Lydia Williams inquired about the availability of Title 1 laptops, referencing prior distributions to schools. Mr. Will provided a response to her inquiry by stating that if you have any questions or concerns related to Title 1 technology, Ms. Paula is the designated contact person. Please reach out to her directly for assistance with Title 1 devices or inquiries about technology distribution for students.
- c. Mr. Richardson explained what is that Title 1 for those who are not familiar with the program. He stated that it is a federal assistance program providing funds to qualifying schools, used for teacher development and school-wide activities rather than technology that was recently stated. He highlighted the importance of these resources and how these resources help students meet state standards and academic goals and expressed gratitude for the school's Title 1 status. *"We are grateful to be a Title 1' school, and you are going to hear a lot about Title 1, today."*
- d. Mr. Richardson gave a presentation about Title 1.
  - i. As for as a Title 1 school,
  - ii. You have the right to know about academics
  - iii. Level of achievement on assessments like the FAST or the EEOC at the end of year

- iv. You have the right to receive information about your child
- v. You have the right to request information on the publication
- vi. Who's teaching your child and so forth
- vii. As Title 1, school we have parent and family engagement activities and family engagement nights.
- viii. He mentioned that he will show the Title 1 presentation during the open house. However, he eventually showed it during the SAC meeting.
- ix. He encouraged parents and everyone to be sure to come out for SAC meetings and for Title 1 updates.
- x. He further mentioned that communities with important information about each public demographic data, school state.
  - 1. Academic data preparation
  - 2. Class size, teacher and staff information curriculum instruction and post-secondary preparation information.
- e. The program offers supplemental support through classroom resources, more teachers and paraprofessionals, and extra training for staff.
- f. He emphasized the importance of family participation in our SAC meeting on Wednesday from 5 to 6 p.m.

### III. Reports

- a. **Principal Report** – Ms. Linda Lopez.
  - i. **Open statement:**
    - 1. *"I really want to give a handshake for all of our teachers that are here and who are here for open house."*
    - 2. Ms. Lopez stated that she has a quick presentation before our teachers are ready for the open house.
    - 3. **She provided an introduction:**
      - a. of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade principal, Markis Facyson, who was not in the room with us right now. He is our 8<sup>th</sup> grade principal who oversees our English Language Arts and Science departments.
      - b. Mr. Sohn also goes overseas to our Social Studies, Exceptional Student Education department and safeguards his major areas of supervision.
      - c. We are currently hiring for an assistant principal, so that is why Mr. Richardson as a lead candidate is currently undergoing our leadership training program in the district to become as assistant principal. And what better way to be in the seat of our assistant principal.
- b. **School Grade and Students' Expectations:**
  - i. To aim for **"A"** so data review, we are a **"B"** rated school, and we were 96 points, and we need 43 more points. And our teachers are aware, and our students are excited.
  - ii. Yes, we are going to carry ourselves to that expectation, very high.
  - iii. Just reviewing our school wide academic and behavioral expectations have not changed, right? That is what we say every single day in our classrooms
- c. **Fundraiser:**
  - i. We do have our double good popcorn fundraiser happening now.
    - 1. Popcorn samples for you
    - 2. If you would like, you can commit to making a purchase.
- d. **Upcoming Events:**

Ms. Lopez stated that:

  - i. I want to make sure that you have all the things for upcoming staff meetings.
  - ii. You will receive reminders and something that we are doing differently this school year. We are attaching an additional component to everything. What do I mean by that?

1. We are in September. We are here today for SAC, and we are here for Open House.
  2. In October, we will be celebrating the Hispanic Heritage month, so we will do SAC
  3. and then our Hispanic Heritage month celebration in November.
  4. January, we will have SAC, and we will have a partnership night.
- iii. We will have SAC, and we will have something else attached to it because we know you want to see our students' shine.
  - iv. We are going to make students our focal point
  - v. For staff will hopefully get you to participate with us, as well.

**e. SRO Introduction:**

- i. I want to take just a moment to introduce Deputy Boswell, he is our school resource officer. "I want you to put a *name to the face*'. He has been phenomenal to us this school year and he is very proactive on campus.
- ii. She said that *"I saw him walking through the hallways. She feels so safe with him walking through the hallways, being visible. His presence on our campus and raising the difference to students."*

**f. Social Workers and Family Therapist Introduction:**

- i. I want to highlight two people, Ms. Graham, who is our Family Therapist. And Ms. McCrary, who is our school's social worker, they are here to support, and they are not going to get anybody in trouble. You don't have to be scared of them. They are here for support.

**g. Representative from the City of Lauderdale Lakes:**

- i. I want to introduce one more person as well. Who is visiting us from the City of Lauderdale Lakes. She will be joining us, but if you would introduce yourself.

I. Replied by the City of Lauderdale Lakes representatives, who introduced herself as Jennifer Chambers. She is the Advisory board of the City of Lauderdale Lakes

**II. Next Meeting Confirmation**

- October 01, 2025

**III. Open Floor**

**IV. Next Meeting Date & Time:**

The next meeting will be held on October 01, 2025, in Lauderdale Lakes Middle School, Media Center at 5:00 p.m.

**V. Meeting Adjournment:**

Motion: Kerry-Ann Thomas motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 p.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Lopez motion carried unanimously.

**Submitted by:**

Kerry-Ann Thomas, SAC \_\_\_\_\_ Approval Date: \_\_\_\_\_