ORIOLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
School Advisory Forum (SAF)
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 10, 2026

Welcome and Introductions
Ms. Patterson welcomed members in attendance and formally introduced herself as the School Advisory Forum (SAF) Chairperson for the 2026–2027 school year.

Purpose and Overview of SAF
Ms. Patterson provided an overview of the School Advisory Forum (SAF), explaining its purpose and importance in strengthening relationships among the school, families, and community stakeholders.
She highlighted the following key components:

Core Mission: SAF serves as a platform to foster open communication, advocacy, collaboration, and meaningful partnerships among parents, students, staff, school administration, district representatives, and community stakeholders.

SAF vs. SAC: Ms. Patterson clarified the distinction between the School Advisory Forum (SAF) and the School Advisory Council (SAC). SAC primarily focuses on academic achievement, student performance data, state requirements, and the School Improvement Plan (SIP), SAF provides an open forum for discussing school, community, and operational concerns.

Membership: Participation in SAF is open to all stakeholders, including parents, guardians, students, teachers, support staff, business partners, and community members.

Following the overview, Ms. Patterson opened the floor for questions and clarification. No questions were presented.

Review and Approval of SAF Bylaws
Ms. Patterson presented and reviewed the SAF Bylaws with members in attendance. The bylaws establish the structure, procedures, responsibilities, and expectations that guide the operation of the School Advisory Forum.

Following the review, a motion was presented to approve and adopt the SAF Bylaws for the 2026–2027 school year.

Motion to Approve: Ms. Alexander
Motion Seconded By: Mr. Jones

Voting Results: All members in attendance voted in favor of the motion.
Outcome: The motion passed unanimously.
The SAF Bylaws were officially approved and adopted and are effective for the 2026–2027 school year.

Role and Responsibilities of the SAF Chairperson
Ms. Patterson provided a brief explanation of her role as the SAF Chairperson. She emphasized her responsibility to support communication, encourage stakeholder engagement, and serve as a liaison between the school community and the district advisory structure.

Ms. Patterson informed members that she would provide a more comprehensive update regarding SAF initiatives and relevant district information during the next scheduled SAF meeting.

Open Forum and Questions
Ms. Patterson provided members with an additional opportunity to ask questions, share concerns, or seek clarification regarding the information presented. No questions or concerns were raised.

Next Steps
SAF will operate under the newly approved 2026–2027 bylaws.
Ms. Patterson will provide a comprehensive SAF update during the next meeting.
Members will continue to be encouraged to participate actively and support open communication among school stakeholders.

Adjournment
With no additional questions, concerns, or business to address, the School Advisory Forum meeting was adjourned at **5:42 p.m.**