



South Plantation High School
1300 Paladin Way, Plantation, Florida 33317
School Advisory Council Minutes – Tuesday, January 6, 2026

1. Call to Order, Introductions, Attendance:

- a. A meeting of the South Plantation High School Advisory Council was held in the Culinary Dining Room on January 6, 2026. Chair, Christina Jones, called the meeting to order at 3:37pm. Stephanie Vazquez will record minutes for this meeting.
- b. Introductions were made by Christina Jones.
- c. Members in attendance were Alexandra Ries, Christina Jones, Stephanie Vazquez, Amanda Castilla, Alyce Culpepper, Nereida Miller, Mary Leveille, John Montefusco, Carla Wong, Armani Norris, Natasha Inniss, and Nikolas Mesa.

2. Approve Meeting Minutes

- a. December 2, 2025 meeting minutes were provided and reviewed. Mrs. Wong motioned and Mr. Mesa seconded the motion to approved minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously (12 votes total).

3. Old Business

- a. Florida School Recognition Funds (A+ Funds) Proposals
 - i. SAC Chair, Mrs. Christina Jones, explained that the previously created ballot was not brought to a vote.
 - ii. Mrs. Ries explained that some concerns were brought to her attention after the vote ended in December. Mrs. Ries spoke with District and was given the option to keep the initial ballot or to create a new ballot. Mrs. Ries chose the latter.
 - iii. Feedback was collected from members and stakeholders. Questions were asked regarding who was eligible to receive a bonus and who was eligible to vote.
 - iv. The main concern was who is eligible to receive funds and if we should include staff members who are currently not employed at South Plantation.
 - v. After answering all questions and addressing all concerns, Mrs. Vazquez motioned, Mrs. Wong seconded the motion to include the following proposals for the Staff Voting ballot:
 1. Proposal 1: **Divide Equally among 2024-2025 employees** - 100% of funds will be split equally among all faculty and staff who were employed full-time for the majority of the 2024-2025 School Year (1 day more than a semester) Any teacher/staff who is no longer employed by BCPS at the time of distribution is not eligible to receive the bonus funds. All leftover funds will be used to purchase instructional materials.
 2. Proposal 2: **Divide Equally among 2024-2025 employees still at SPHS** - 100% split equally among all faculty and staff who were employed full-time for the majority of the 2024-2025 School Year (1 day more than a semester) and are still employed at South Plantation HS at the time of distribution. All leftover funds will be used to purchase instructional materials.
 3. Proposal 3: None of the above.
- vi. Roll Call voting began. Please see attached.

4. New Business

a. Continuation Wavier

- i. SAC Chair, Mrs. Christina Jones, reviewed the timeline for the Continuation Wavier process
- ii. Evaluation data was shared with members as follows:
Baseline Data (Beginning of Year 2025-2026):
ELA Achievement - 41%
Math Achievement - 45%
Science Achievement - 65%
Social Studies Achievement - 82%
Graduation Rate - 98%
College and Career Acceleration Rate - 93%

Current Data (Mid-Year 2025-2026):
ELA Achievement - 49%
Math Achievement - 20%
Science Achievement - 61%
Social Studies Achievement - 63%
Graduation Rate - 98%
College and Career Acceleration Rate - 93%
- iii. All but one (1) area went down in proficiency. This indicates the need more than ever for the four (4) PSD days.
- iv. Floor was open to stakeholder feedback. No feedback was given.
- v. A ballot for a Faculty Vote was created including four (4) PSDs with the option to vote "in favor" or "NOT in favor." Mrs. Vazquez motioned and Mrs. Jones seconded the motion to approve the ballot for a Faculty Vote including four (4) PSDs with the option to vote "in favor" or "NOT in favor." The motion passed unanimously (12 votes total).
- vi. An update will be provided to SAC members after the Faculty Vote.

5. Reports:

a. Principal's Report – Mrs. Ries, Principal

- i. Performing Arts
 - a. Chorus at EPCOT for the Candlelight Processional.
 - b. Theatre earned top competition marks.
 - c. Band shined in the parade and Fall performance.
- ii. Academics and Magnet
 - a. Magnet students' mid-year academic growth across multiple areas.
- iii. Student Programs
 - a. Gingerbread Team won 1st Place.
 - b. JROTC VEX Robotics qualified for Nationals
 - c. DECA record participation
 - d. SGA culture building
- iv. Athletics
 - a. Girls Soccer 9-0-1
 - b. Boys Soccer is improving
 - c. Basketball building under Coach Felder
 - d. Wrestling district duals. Chris Hixon tournament was successful.
 - e. Bowling has been an access.
- v. Honors
 - a. Dovovan Jenkins – All-American

- b. David Lazo – Miami Heralds Runner of the Year
 - c. David Lazo & Kamary Cooper – Sun Sentinel All-County
 - d. Dylan Zaldumbide - \$500 BCAA Award
- vi. Community and Staff
 - a. Singing with Santa for the DHH students was amazing.
 - b. Mr. Cody – Employee of the Year Finalist
- b. School Improvement Plan (SIP) Monitoring and Stakeholder Feedback
 - i. Evaluation Data was reviewed.
- c. School Accountability Funds
 - i. Outstanding Fund Balance: \$11,033.12
- d. SESIR (School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting) Update
 - i. No report at this meeting
 - ii. Same report as last month. Only August and September are listed.
 - iii. Ms. Ries shared that vaping is our highest incidence.
- e. SAC Employee of the month (EOM)
 - i. Ms. Tracey Casserly, Mrs. Robin Case and Mrs. Alina Fernandez were nominated for the December SAC Employee of the month.
 - ii. Vote was taken.
 - i. Ms. Tracey Casserly - 3 votes
 - ii. Mrs. Alina Fernandez - 3 votes
 - iii. Mrs. Robin Case – 6 votes
 - iii. Mrs. Miller motioned, and Ms. Culpepper seconded the motion to approve Mrs. Robin Case for the January SAC EOM. Members voted unanimously (12 votes total) to approve Mrs. Robin Case for the January SAC EOM.

6. Announcements

- a. Our next meeting will be held in the Culinary Café on February 3, 2026 at 3:30 pm.
- b. Our SAF meeting will follow this SAC meeting.

7. Concerns/Questions

- a. No concerns or questions were discussed.

8. Adjourn

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 4:47 pm on January 6, 2026.

Submitted by,

Stephanie Vazquez

SAC Secretary

Approval Date: February 3, 2026