



South Plantation High School
1300 Paladin Way, Plantation, Florida 33317
School Advisory Council Minutes – Tuesday, September 1, 2026

Call to Order

1. A meeting of the South Plantation High School Advisory Council was held in the Culinary Dining Room on September 1, 2026. Chair, Christina Jones, called the meeting to order at 3:38pm. Stephanie Vazquez will record minutes for this meeting.
2. Members in attendance were Nyrie Brunache, Christina Jones, Mary Levielle, Nereida Miller, Alexandra Ries, Dr. Marsha Samuels, Stephanie Vazquez, Carla Wong, Natasha Innis, and Ian Loew.

Introductions

1. Nyrie Brunache was introduced as our newly elected student representative. Ian Loew was also introduced as our newly elected parent representative.
2. Positions still open are ESE and ESOL Parent Representatives. Ms. Brunache will be attending the PTSO meeting this evening and will put the word out. Mrs. Ries is working on her Community/Business Representative selection and will get back to us. The SAC composition is due on October 6, 2026.

Approval of Minutes

1. Mrs. Miller motioned to approve the May 2026 meeting minutes. Mrs. Wong seconded the motion. SAC Chair repeated the motion and opened the floor to discuss the minutes. No changes or revisions were discussed. The SAC Chair called for a vote to approve the May 2026 meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

New Business

1. Principal's Report:
 - a. Celebrations & School Highlights:
 - I. South Plantation High School is proud to have earned an "A" school grade for the second consecutive year.
 - II. SPHS was among the highest-performing high schools in Broward County, with particularly strong results in acceleration and graduation.
 - III. Our graduation rate reached 99%, and 94% of our seniors earned college credit and/or an industry certification.
 - IV. Students earned an impressive 1,140 industry certifications last year.
 - V. 57 students earned the AICE Diploma, with 100% of those students qualifying for Bright Futures.
 - VI. We recently celebrated the opening of our new turf field with our ribbon-cutting ceremony.
 - VII. Congratulations to Ms. Handler, our Teacher of the Year, and Ms. Fernandez, our Employee of the Year.
 - VIII. Solar car team- partnering with 4H, won at the Texas competition.
 - b. Opening of the 2026–27 School Year

- I. We have had a strong start to the school year and are excited to welcome our returning Paladins as well as our newest students and staff.
 - II. Administration continues to work through enrollment changes, schedule adjustments and class-size balancing as we finalize the opening of school.
 - III. Our focus remains on maintaining our high level of achievement while continuing to address areas where growth is needed.
 - IV. Students in grades 9–12 continue to have opportunities to participate in college courses on our campus, online and on college campuses.
- c. Facilities and Campus Improvements
- i. Our new turf field is complete and being enjoyed by our students and community.
 - ii. Tennis and basketball court improvements have also enhanced our campus.
 - iii. We continue to advocate for improvements to our auditorium. Sound is currently our greatest priority, while we are also working with the District regarding permanent lighting improvements. After collaborating with our Theater Director, we have decided to put the repairs off until December/January as to not impact our fall show. The District will be renting other equipment to provide a temporary solution until this time.
 - iv. The interior of the auditorium has recently been painted, and we continue to seek solutions for the auditorium carpeting.
 - v. Our gym floor will be re-designed.

d. Looking Ahead

- I. We will continue to focus on maintaining a positive and connected school culture for students and staff.
 - II. Our goal remains to provide students with both academic excellence and a vibrant campus experience.
 - III. We appreciate the continued partnership of SAC, our families, staff, students and community as we work toward Excellence Beyond the Bar.
2. SAC Officer Elections - The Nominating Committee had no candidates for SAC Officers and I-Zone Parent Representative in May. Therefore, the election was tabled until this meeting.
- a. Nominations were taken from the floor for SAC Chair. Christina Jones was nominated as SAC Chair. Mrs. Wong motioned to elect Mrs. Jones as SAC Chair. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. The motion on the floor to elect Christina Jones as SAC Chair was opened for discussion. No feedback was given. A vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Nominations were taken from the floor for SAC Secretary. Stephanie Vazquez was nominated as SAC Secretary. Mrs. Wong motioned to elect Mrs. Vazquez as SAC Secretary. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. The motion on the floor to elect Stephanie Vazquez as SAC Secretary was opened for discussion. No feedback was given. A vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.
 - c. Nominations were taken from the floor for I-Zone Parent Representative. Ian Loew was nominated for I-Zone Parent Representative. Ms. Wong motioned to elect Ian Loew as I-Zone Parent Representative. Ms. Miller seconded the motion. The motion on the floor to elect Stephanie Vazquez as SAC Secretary was opened for discussion. No feedback was given. A vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.
3. SAC Purpose, Roles & Responsibilities:

- a. Mrs. Jones presented the purpose of SAC including the development and monitoring of the School Improvement Plan, allocating Accountability Funds, participation in the preparation of the school's annual budget and plans.
 - b. Mrs. Jones presented the role each SAC member holds and their responsibilities.
4. SAC Bylaws:
 - a. Mrs. Jones presented the South Plantation SAC Bylaws for annual review and ratification. Mrs. Vazques motioned to ratify the SAC Bylaws as written with a 3-year term and officers to include a chair and secretary that are elected in May and installed at the first meeting of the school year. Mrs. Wong seconded the motion. The motion on the floor to ratify the SAC Bylaws as written was opened for discussion. A member noted that having a 3-year tenure is good; it means fewer elections. No other feedback was given. The SAC Chair called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.
5. School Accountability Funds:
 - a. Outstanding Fund Balance: \$9,584.46. The District has not released the funds yet. One outstanding invoice needs to be paid when funds are released in the amount of \$873.60 for a previously approved SAT School Day.
 - b. Usage Policy & Request Procedure – The SAC Chair reviewed the policy on using School Accountability Funds. The floor was opened for discussion on the procedure to request funds. A member suggested the request should be sent to the Assistant Principal of their department. The Assistant Principal will notify the SAC Chair to add the request to the next meeting agenda. Members were all in agreement of this procedure.
 - b. Request from Ms. Brunache in the amount of \$1,500 for Saturday Enrichment staff payroll. Mrs. Jones motioned to approve the request for \$1,500 for Saturday Enrichment. Mrs. Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion on the floor to approve the request for \$1,500 for Saturday Enrichment was opened for discussion. Ms. Brunache shared the benefits of Saturday Enrichment and the impact it has on student performance. Mrs. Jones called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.
6. SIP Monitoring and Stakeholder Feedback
 - a. 2025-2026 BCPS SIP Areas of Focus Closeout (End of Year Results): The overall ELA proficiency is 62%, increasing by 2 percentage points from 60% on PM3 2025. The overall Math proficiency is 58%, increasing by 2 percentage points from 56% B.E.S.T. 2025. The 2025-2026 SIP Areas of Focus has been updated. No stakeholder feedback given.
 - b. School Improvement (SI) Timeline: A timeline and due dates of the SIP components was shared by the SAC Chair. All areas on being completed by the appropriate team members and should be uploaded to meet the September 8 deadline. The ratified bylaws will be uploaded soon. The next component due is the composition and will be uploaded by October 6.
 - c. Areas of Focus: Mrs. Brunache is currently working on the Areas of Focus and they will be shared with members during the next meeting.
 - d. School Wide Positive Behavior Plan: Mr. Forbes presented the SWPBP including data comparison, incentives, and student recognition. The floor was opened for stakeholder feedback.
7. SESIR (School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting):
 - a. Mrs. Jones advised all stakeholders where to find data comparisons for the District. She reported that the 2025-2026 data shows most incidents last year for South was

Tobacco Possession and/or Use. The floor was opened for stakeholder feedback. Members discussed preventing vapes getting through metal detectors.

8. SAC Employee of the Month
 - a. Member feedback was requested on how to select Employees of the Month. After ideas were shared, it was decided that a different department each month would be highlighted and a person from that department would be selected as the Employee of the Month. During October's meeting, the Council will highlight and select 2 departments/employees for the months of September and October.
 - b. Ideas were also shared on how to acknowledge or reward the selected employees. No decision was made as of now.

Open Agenda

Next Meeting Date & Time:

The next meeting will be held on October 6, 2026 at 3:30pm in the Culinary Café.

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion: Mrs. Vazquez motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:03pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,
Stephanie Vazquez
SAC Secretary
Approval Date: