



Central Park Elementary School Advisory Forum Agenda February 25, 2026

- Call to order / Welcome

- Old Business
 - Approval of January 28, 2026 - SAF minutes

- New Business
 - Legislative Updates
 - Coordinated Health Services & Hazel Health

- Principal's Update

- Questions / Feedback

- Adjourn

Central Park Elementary School
School Advisory Forum (SAF)
Meeting Minutes
December 3, 2025

The Central Park School Advisory Forum (SAF) met on December 3, 2025.

Guests that attended: Lisa Raska, Jael Ciappesoni, Candance Freeman, April Allen, Monika Moorman, Nopolean Braddy, Gabriela Rodriguez, Madeline Piegari, Doug Satran, Craig Ewart, Shareeke Edmead-Nesi, Lori Turner, Alicia Keppel, Paula Renaldo, Nicole Spence-Goon, Gilia Martinez, Rosangela Guerra

Mr. Satran called the meeting to order at 8:36 AM

Mr. Satran requested a motion to order to approve the minutes for the September and October minutes. Ms. Moorman made the motion, and Ms. Raska seconded the motion.

Mr. Ewart said that the Florida State Department of Education unanimously adopted the Phoenix Declaration on November 13, mandating a full overhaul of the K-12 curriculum in all subjects, including math, English, and science. Mr. Ewart said that they would be starting with civics. Mr. Ewart added that the implementation is expected by August 2026. Mr. Ewart said that their published Phoenix Declaration statement is vague and does not provide any objectives or direction yet. Mr. Ewart added that it does not provide any base information supporting the necessity for such an overhaul either. Mr. Ewart encouraged everyone to follow up by visiting www.heritage.org/phoenix-declaration. Mr. Ewart said that SAF/SAC members and parents must track school board agendas, memos and submit public comments when instructional materials are revealed.

Mr. Ewart said that the Central Area Advisory Council unanimously recommended that the district return to the 50% threshold for Title I qualification to prevent schools from losing funds due to the increased 62% threshold. Mr. Ewart mentioned that families feared disclosing addresses on meal applications, which has led to under reporting. Mr. Ewart said that district-wide student meal debt is over a quarter of a million dollars. Mr. Ewart added that unpaid obligations, including meal debt, can hinder a student's graduation or ability to participate in activities. Mr. Ewart mentioned that students with balances may refuse to eat to avoid embarrassment. Mr. Ewart stated that it needs to be communicated to the parents that they can pay for meals using checks or cash directly at the school to avoid fees associated with the My School Bucks apps. Mr. Braddy asked if we have a lunch debt issue at this school. Ms. Turner said we do. Ms. Turner explained there is an allocated budget she can dedicate to resolving that issue but debt that surpasses this must be offset by donations. Ms. Piegari said that PTA has an owl support fund that can help resolve outstanding balances as well.

Mr. Ewart said that the Central Area Advisory Council unanimously passed a motion to request that the district revise and broaden requirements for assigning a full-time Registered Nurse to schools. Mr. Ewart explained that the recommendation was to specify a

minimum number of students with chronic medical conditions enrolled in order to be assigned a Registered Nurse. Mr. Ewart said that this is a time-sensitive motion, and that SAF/SAC should be ready to compile data or advocate for this safety measure, as the current model relies on only school staff members.


Mr. Ewart said that the district is prioritizing staff training in Youth Mental Health First Aid. Mr. Ewart added that the district is aiming for 95% of school staff. Mr. Ewart explained that this training equips all staff to identify mental health challenges and connect students to campus mental health teams.

Mr. Ewart requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Raska made the motion to conclude the meeting. Ms. Moorman seconded the motion. The meeting concluded at 8:50 AM.

SAF Sign in Sheet for Central Park ES (2641)

Date: 1/28/20

Time: 8:30

#	Full Name	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Community/Business	Sign Here
1	Douglas Satran	✓			
2	Madelaine Piegari		✓		
3	NAROLEWA BRADY		✓		
4	Craig Ewert		✓		
5	LISA RASKA	✓			
6	ALICIA KEPPEL	✓			
7	Monika Moorman				
8	April Allen				
9	Lori Turner	✓			
10	Mila Martin	✓			
11	Shareeke Edmead Nesiv		✓		
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January 28, 2025

The Central Park School Advisory Forum (SAF) met on January 28, 2025.

Guests that attended: Douglas Satran, Madeline Piegari, Napoleon Braddy, Craig Ewart, Lisa Raska, Alicia Keppel, Monika Moorman, April Allen, Lori Turner, Gilia Martinez, Shareeke Edmead-Nesi, Jael Ciappesoni

Mr. Satran called the meeting to order at 8:37 AM

Mr. Satran requested a motion to order to approve the minutes. Ms. Raska made the motion, and Ms. Braddy seconded the motion.

Mr. Ewart said that there was an advisory meeting in December and January that he will be summarizing in today's meeting for us. Mr. Ewart mentioned that he asked in the last advisory meeting that they be notified of what happens to motions that have been tabled from previous meetings.

Mr. Ewart said that the mandatory utilization of school funds is a critical financial directive regarding school budgets. Ms. Ewart explained that schools must spend any remaining rollover funds and ClassWallet money before the end of the fiscal year, as the district will recoup unspent balances next year. Mr. Ewart stated that the SAC and principals must immediately collaborate to identify necessary purchases rather than saving funds for the following year. Mr. Ewart added that it was clarified that A+ recognition funds appear lower this year because the district must deduct off of the top before allocation, a calculation mandated by the state.

Ms. Piegari said PTA has covered the students who have lunch obligations and will continue to observe lunch obligations to cover them for the remainder of the year.

Mr. Ewart said that the district is moving forward with the procurement of advanced sensor technology for middle and high school restrooms. Ms. Ewart stated that, unlike simple smoke detectors, these devices will use AI to detect THC/vaping, air quality hazards, crowd size and audio aggression. Mr. Ewart clarified that the detectors will not record video or save audio. Mr. Ewart said that when sensors are triggered, school staff must physically respond to the location to verify the incident, as the technology does not identify individuals biometrically. Mr. Ewart said that this rollout is a priority for the upcoming year.

Mr. Ewart said that Chief Fedrick emphasized that compliance with state safety statutes is non-negotiable and strictly enforced. Mr. Ewart emphasized that every space where instructional learning occurs must be locked when students are present. Mr. Ewart said

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that deliberately propping doors is a violation of state statute and may result in disciplinary actions. Mr. Ewart added that all gates must either be locked or actively staffed.

Mr. Ewart said that the district is operating under a hiring freeze that affects both instructional support and security personnel. Mr. Ewart added that vacancies for campus monitors are not being automatically filled. Mr. Ewart explained that instead the district is conducting a right-sizing initiative which may result in security staff being moved from schools with surplus coverage to those with deficits to balance safety needs. Mr. Ewart explained that principals are directed to first utilize existing internal staff to cover needs.

Mr. Ewart said that there is an immediate window for community and parent involvement regarding governance and academic pressure. Mr. Ewart explained that policy 1070, which governs advisory committees, has been looped back to the District Advisory Council. Mr. Ewart said that a subcommittee will meet in January, offering a great opportunity for parents to provide input on how their feedback is handled by the board. Mr. Ewart added that there is a task force that has been directed to assess the testing volume. Mr. Ewart said that while the district claims certain tests are not required, teachers report feeling pressure to administer them. Mr. Ewart added that the DAC is expecting an update in January that may clarify or reduce these testing requirements.

Mr. Ewart explained that to address classroom vacancies, the district has identified approximately 200 to 300 certified staff members currently working in district offices that will be deployed back into schools to cover content-specific needs. Mr. Ewart said that there is operational friction regarding how this will be implemented. Mr. Ewart stated that principals are being encouraged to retain autonomy on whether to bring in these district staff or handle vacancies internally to avoid disrupting student-teacher relationships or breaking up classes mid-year. Mr. Ewart said that parents are advised to monitor if their children are in classes without certified teachers and to report instances where specialized staff are being improperly used to cover general vacancies.

Mr. Ewart said that the school choice application window is closing soon, on January 28th. Mr. Ewart explained that there have been significant operational changes to the application via the Focus platform. Mr. Ewart said that parents are reporting confusion because the specific school choice options are now listed under reassignment and are not immediately visible as it once was. Mr. Ewart added that it is critical for the community to understand that there are district applications for general reassignment, magnet programs and Nova schools. Mr. Ewart said that families may need to submit separate applications for each.

Mr. Ewart said that there is a crucial distinction in school health operations regarding Hazel Health, a telehealth service, versus a physical school nurse. Mr. Ewart said that while Hazel Health is available in 69 schools as an optional service requiring parent consent, it is strictly a telehealth service. Mr. Ewart explained that a major operational gap identified is that even when a school has a nurse and Hazel Health access, the nurse may lack the physical supplies required to treat the student, forcing parents to come to the school anyway. Furthermore, families must be aware that while the service billed as free to the user, it does bill insurance and may apply towards a family deductible.

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Mr. Ewart said that the community is being warned of a severe structural funding gap of \$722 million for the 2025-2026 school year, driven by the voucher expansion, operational costs and declining enrollment. Mr. Ewart explained that the financial crisis escalated discussions regarding potential state receivership of the district, which would remove local control. Mr. Ewart said that the action items for the community include preparing for potential school consolidations which would involve seven additional schools being proposed for closure beyond the original list-and boundary adjustments to stabilize enrollment. Mr. Ewart said that the advisory council recommends that stakeholders demand equity impact assessments for any future cost-cutting decisions to ensure budget fixes do not disproportionately harm specific student populations.

Mr. Ewart requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Raska made the motion to conclude the meeting. Ms. Turner seconded the motion. The meeting concluded at 8:59 AM.
