SAF Meeting Minutes Griffin Elementary

Meeting called to order on Monday, October 26, 2026 at 2:58 pm

SAF Report

South Area Advisory Council | October 21, 2026

Submitted by Frankie Cordero

• TEDx Miramar: The October 3 youth event featured students ages 9 through 17 from Sea Castle Elementary, Glades Middle, and Everglades High School.

• Student speakers received five and a half months of coaching to develop confidence and public speaking skills. A video of the event was shared at the meeting.

• The full event video was expected on the TEDx Miramar YouTube channel approximately four weeks after the meeting. Families were encouraged to subscribe.

• Students can earn volunteer hours by contributing skills in art, graphic design, 3D printing, or social media. The TEDx Miramar YouTube channel is the resource for watching the event.

• Linewize Parent: BCPS introduced this free digital safety program, powered by Qustodio, to help families monitor children's online activity and manage screen time.

• Parents can view student online activity during school hours. Outside school hours, they can set device and app limits, establish routines, and pause internet access.

• The Online Safety Hub offers parent webinars, expert advice, and practical safety resources: browardschools.onlinesafetyhub.io. A Parent University session about Linewize was announced for October 21, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. via Microsoft Teams. Meeting ID: 243 058 907 646 896. Passcode: SM7Fi7fy.

• School enrollment and closures: Declining enrollment is reducing funding. The district is considering

closures to align the number of schools with the student population, with additional options being considered for the southwest area.

• Community meetings about proposed school changes were discussed, including the proposed closure of Walter C. Young. The final School Board vote was reported as scheduled for December 15, 2026.

• Online safety alerts: District leaders explained how Linewize alerts BCPS staff to incidents and discussed how staff respond.

• Student screen time: District leaders reported approval of screen time limits for Pre-K, kindergarten, and first grade, with reduced limits for other grades. Concerns about negative impacts were raised, and reconsideration was requested. No outcome was recorded in the minutes.

• Council representation: Linda Ferreira was selected as DAC Business Representative, and Irvon Plummer was selected as DAC Citizen at Large Representative.

• DAD's Challenge: "Get in the Frame. Stay in the Game" is November 14, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at William Dandy Middle School, 2400 NW 26th Street, Fort Lauderdale. forms.office.com/r/ipcpweADcM. For information, call Federal Programs at 754-321-1400.

• Next DAC meeting: November 12, 2026, at 6:15 p.m., Kathleen C. Wright Administration Center, 600 SE 3rd Avenue, Fort Lauderdale. Virtual information: www.browarddistrictadvisory.ch2v.com. Call-in: 754-216-1864. Conference ID: 530248896#.

• Next South Area Advisory Council meeting: November 18, 2026.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:03 pm.