

Cypress Bay High School

SAC Minutes – January 13, 2026 Meeting

Attendance:

Members

1. Boswell, Brandon (SAC Secretary / Teacher)
2. Chen, Maressa (Non-Instructional Support Employee)
3. Diaz-Marin, Jose (Parent)
4. Ferreira, Yadiris (SAC Co-Chair / Teacher)
5. Grilli, Salvatore (Teacher)
6. Hager, Ruth (Teacher)
7. Huey, Olivia (Student)
8. Jaffe, Byron (Community Member / Weston City Commissioner)
9. Jordan, Tara (SAC Co-Chair / Teacher)
10. Kelly, Brian (Teacher)
11. Madrid Munoz, Javiera (Student)
12. Rodriguez, Mariana (Teacher / Parent / I-Zone Representative)
13. Rothal, Eva (Teacher)
14. Serrano Mendoza, Clarissa (Student)
15. Souza, Jorge (Principal)
16. Strohming, Nicholas (SAF Chair / Parent)
17. Taylor, Kristina (Teacher)
18. Thorpe, Dianne (Teacher)
19. Williams, Jamez (Teacher)
20. Wolff, Glen (Teacher)

Call to Order:

A meeting of the Cypress Bay High School's School Advisory Council was held in The Wave on January 13, 2025 @ 3:15 pm.

Boswell, Brandon (SAC Secretary / Teacher) will record minutes for this meeting.

Approval of Minutes:

SAC Meeting minutes of November 18, 2025

Motion to approve: Jaffe, Byron

2nd by Strohming, Nicholas

Motion passed by unanimous verbal affirmation

Principal's Report (Principal Jorge Souza)

- a. Shout out to the Hockey club team
- b. Athletics – Cross Country had an amazing year
- c. Girls Soccer – Ranked #7 in State, and #14 in the Nation
- d. Boys Soccer – hosting Champions League Tournament this week
- e. Performing Arts – 23 students in band or jazz band won awards
- f. Jackson Desmonte – of 488 students and 88 schools took first place
- g. CBHS is on 2025 AP Honor Roll
- h. Surfin' with Souza begins
- i. Excel at the Bay is on January 27, 2026

Budget Report (Tara Jordan)

- a. Accountability as of January 7, 2026 (\$ 6,256.76)
- b. School Recognition as of January 7, 2026 (\$ 415,070.33)

Budget Request: Lightning Minds Academy (Assistant Principal Orville Reynolds)

2,000 students will benefit. 18 sessions per course/exam.

2 hours per day, \$40 per hour. Total expected cost is \$20,240.00

Motion to adopt ballot for A+ funds distribution by Taylor, Kristina
2nd Strohminger, Nicholas

Continuation Waiver

Waiver for the continuation of the Professional Study Days. Professional Study Day (PSD) is designed to provide teachers with dedicated time for professional learning and collaboration through their Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). The purpose of PSD is to engage in meaningful professional development, analyze student data, share instructional strategies, and plan collectively to improve student outcomes. Data presented to support waiver: The percentage of students scoring proficient or higher in Biology by May 2025 was 89%. The percentage of students scoring proficient or higher in Algebra by May 2025 was 67%. The percentage of students passing at least one AP, AICE, or CTE exam, or earning a grade of C or better in a Dual Enrollment course, was 80% by May 2025. The percentage of students achieving proficiency in Reading was 78% by May 2025 as measured by the FAST ELA PM3. The percentage of students in the lower quartile demonstrating a learning gain in Reading was 67% as measured by the FAST ELA PM3 at the end of May 2025.

When we did not have any Study Days teachers were asked to complete tasks on their own, and it was a burden to not have time allocated for planning and progress monitoring.

Parent feedback was solicited on the plan, and teacher feedback was provided.

Motion to adopt District provided Professional Study Days (PSD) Faculty Ballot by Taylor, Kristina
2nd Rothal, Eva

Roll Call Vote:

1. Boswell, Brandon (SAC Secretary / Teacher) - YES
2. Chen, Maressa (Non-Instructional Support Employee) - YES
3. Diaz-Marin, Jose (Parent) - YES
4. Ferreira, Yadiris (SAC Co-Chair / Teacher) - YES
5. Grilli, Salvatore (Teacher) - YES
6. Hager, Ruth (Teacher) – YES
7. Huey, Olivia (Student) – YES
8. Jaffe, Byron (Community Member / Weston City Commissioner) – YES
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15. Souza, Jorge (Principal) – YES
16. Strohminger, Nicholas (SAF Chair / Parent) – YES
17. Taylor, Kristina (Teacher) – YES
18. Thorpe, Dianne (Teacher) - YES
19. Williams, Jamez (Teacher) - YES
20. Wolff, Glen (Teacher) - YES

Motion carried. See Roll call vote above.

School Improvement Monitoring & Feedback (SAC Co-Chair Tara Jordan)

Intermediate report will be coming out soon and all of the plans and number on progress are looking good.

SESIR (School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting) – (Assistant Principal Orville Reynolds)

- a. SESIR behaviors need to be reported to the State of Florida
- b. Vaping and tobacco usage was again the main incident source
- c. We are improving and that there is a zero tolerance for behavior infractions school-wide
- d. Principal Jorge Souza shared that we are a pilot school for vape smoke detectors and more info is forthcoming.

SAC Meeting Schedule (2024-2025)

All meetings will be held at 3:00 PM in the Surfboard Room unless notified otherwise.

Tuesday, February 10
Tuesday, March 10 (Joint SAC/SAF)
Tuesday, April 14
Tuesday, May 12

Next Meeting: February 10, 2026 @ 3:00pm

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Chen, Marissa
2nd Wolff, Glen
Meeting Adjourned at 3:50 pm

Submitted by:
Brandon Boswell

Approval Date: February 10, 2026