

Everglades High School
School Advisory Council (SAC)

November 18, 2025

Meeting Minutes

- I. Call to Order
 - a. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Morgan-Rose, SAC Co-Chair, 3:04pm.
- II. Approval of previous meeting minutes
 - a. Approval of October 28, 2025, minutes
 - i. Motion to approve started by Mr. Levine.
 - ii. Motion second by Ms. Norton.
- III. New Business
 - a. Principal Duperval presented the District's PowerPoint presentation for the 2025-2026 Class Schedule.
 - i. The PowerPoint was provided to all middle schools and high schools.
 - ii. The district has lost about 38,000 students, which means less funding.
 - iii. Middle schools and high schools must choose one of the amended options.
 - iv. Ms. Duperval shared the available schedule options for the next school year.
 - o 3 Options: Straight seven period schedule, Rotator seven period schedule, or Modified A/B schedule.
 - o Straight seven period schedule - consistent daily routine, ease of scheduling, potential fatigue and conflicts
 - o Rotator seven period schedule - dynamic period rotation, benefits of rotation, implementation challenges
 - o Modified A/B - flexibility for extended classes, complex scheduling management, balancing benefits, and challenges.
 - v. Principal and BTU Steward must schedule a vote and have an option approved by Dec 12. If no option is agreed upon, the district will choose the school's schedule. SAC will vote on schedule, then teachers will vote. Sample ballot was presented.
 - vi. Concerns presented by stakeholders. Placed 2 minutes limit on speakers.
 1. Scholar Nevae Russell
 - o against the straight seven schedule.
 - o Fatigue for teachers, decreased planning for teachers, would not decrease fighting in school.
 - o Rotating seven is something she would prefer.
 2. After Nevae spoke, Mr. Klasner motioned changing the speaking time to 4 minutes. Ms. Ramos second the motion.

3. Scholar Jayden Ayo-Ajayi
 - Opposed the seven-period schedule. It feels stressful.
 - Students have to carry everything for each class.
 - Removal of study hall means there is no way to make up a quiz.
 - If you miss one day you miss seven classes, two days you miss fourteen classes. Extracurricular may cause makeup for 7-14 classes.
 - Concerned over teachers' pay getting cut. They cannot teach an extra class for more pay, and less time per class to teach.
4. Scholar – Bella Innocent - SGA secretary
 - Representing SGA & some teachers.
 - Straight seven periods is not a lot of instructional time especially for Cambridge.
 - If students need to leave early or come late it means missing a lot of instruction and a lot of work. They will have 2 days to make up work for seven classes. Making up during class would mean missing a class instead of a study hall.
 - Doesn't see a benefit for students or teachers, like Jaydon said – pay cuts. C1 is most favorable, not straight seven.
5. Scholar Ramses Santana
 - Doesn't see straight seven or rotator is possible.
 - Today he had to write an essay for AICE. It took pretty much the whole class – 1.5 hours. Shorter time takes away activities during class.
 - He took debate and the law feels it cannot be done in an hour. It would be stressful.
 - There is no time to make up work if the study hall is taken away.
 - Homework is always due the next day. AICE classes have a lot of consistent work that is being done.
 - We are decreasing in preparing kids.
 - Algebra 2 - we barely get through now and rushing to get to midterm.
 - Best option Modified A/B schedule. C1.
6. Scholar Isabella Dortival
 - In favor of C1. Simplicity vs functionality.
 - Straight seven is not a functional schedule that teachers and students will not be able to withstand.
 - Puts more stress on already stressed students.
 - C1 leaves more time for functionality, having more time, less stress on teachers and students to teach and learn more.

7. Mia Fernandez

- Does not like any of the schedules but prefers C1.
 - The only concern is study hall. She was not sure if that was being removed. But it would affect senior privilege and extra time to get work done.
 - The extra period of \$6,000. How do we compensate teachers? Not fair.
 - If teachers leave it also affects students. She values great teachers & they deserve the extra money.
- b. At 3:39pm Ms. Duperval received a call to pause the discussion regarding the schedule.
- c. Mr. Klasner
- i. This has nothing to do with administration. They are following directives.
 - ii. When schedule changes discussions come up, in relation to BTU, this is in direct violation of teacher's contract, Article 15 subsection four. This will end up costing the school board more money once legal action is taken.
 - iii. Students have a voice not only for AP/AICE students but our ESE students. They will be affected because they need extra time.
 - iv. 30-40 million dollars trying to be saved by district on the backs of teachers while they teach six periods, but getting paid for five. No more personalization period.
 - v. Parents have the power and the vote to tell the school board they have mismanaged money for eight years.
- d. ESE Advisory Meeting tomorrow regarding block schedule Indian Ridge MS 6:15pm

IV. Reports

a. Principal's Update

- i. JROTC placed 2nd at states in Brooksville.
- ii. Scholar (Xavier) placed eighth at state level in swimming. Only scholars from our school go to states.
- iii. Band participated last Saturday at Battle of the Band.
- iv. PM2 coming up in December. Directed to 9th/10th graders present: Every test matters – it is tied to your academic record.
- v. Thanksgiving breaks next week. Enjoy!
- vi. Accountability funds rolled over to school's budget - \$31, 552. Ms. Duperval will reconvene with SAC to utilize the funds.
- vii. Ms. Duperval responded to Mr. Klasner's inquiry about A+ being less than last year. She said she would have a response after the break.
- viii. Scholar asked Ms. Duperval why she could not share her feelings on the schedule. She said she could but wanted to choose what the majority choose.

- ix. Scholar Jayden Ayo-Ajayi asked why the study hall would be removed. Ms. Duperval stated study hall costs money. It is a non-credit, non-teaching class.
- x. Teacher Ms. Karina Beruty stated when she was younger C2 was her schedule. She also had dual enrollment. She did it online and had to be on campus once her dual enrollment online class ended. There was not a free period. Work had to be completed on your own time.

V. School Environmental Safety Incident Report (SESIR)

a. Mr. Smith

- i. School environment still deemed safe.
- ii. Social media continues to be an issue and our biggest struggle. What is being posted is making Everglades High School look bad. If enrollment decreases, we receive less money to operate our school. This means staff can be surplus.
- iii. We need help from parents and students. Please inform us of any issues so we can be initiative-taking, not reactive.

VI. Subcommittee updates

a. Student Concerns

- i. The Student Representative was not present to make his report.

b. Reading and Language Arts

- i. Mrs. Thompson is confident with PM2. Hoping to increase. PM1 increased 6% from the previous year.
- ii. ELA Strategies implemented to prepare for December.
- iii. Assessment preparation for AICE and AP is always ongoing throughout the school year.
- iv. After school tutoring information forthcoming.

c. Social Science

- i. Mr. Henry stated Social Science is moving along.
- ii. US History teaming is preparing the scholars for the upcoming district assessment. Hoping to improve our 87% proficiency from last year.
- iii. AICE and AP courses working through core to make sure scholars have the skills they need.

d. Math

- i. Mr. Smith stated ongoing concentration on Algebra 1. Comparing data.
- ii. Basic line data showing growth.
- iii. There is after school tutoring on Tuesdays.
- iv. Asked if parents had questions, no one responded.

e. Science

- i. Ms. Roman stated all course selection process begins in December.
- ii. Met with Science teachers to see what courses they would like added.

iii. Looking for a dual enrollment course to increase the offer at Everglades High School through Broward College.

f. CTE

i. Mr. Henry stated we are looking to add courses to stay relevant and ahead.

g. Technology

i. Mr. Henry stated three hundred laptops received for students and 51 for teachers.

ii. Property Inventory in progress. We have about 688 items and about five million dollars that we must inventory.

VII. PTSA Update

i. The representative had to leave early. No update.

VIII. Unfinished Business

i. No unfinished business was reported.

IX. Announcement(s)

i. Next meeting December 16, 2025. A+ funds will be discussed.

X. Adjourn-The meeting adjourned at 4:13 pm