

**Dolphin Bay Elementary School
School Advisory Council Meeting (SAC)
Monday, October 7, 2025 2:15pm
Call meeting to order: 2:17 pm**

Attendance:

Sandra Nelson (Principal), Tonisha McNish-Walker (SAC Co-Chair), Jeremy Scott (Community/Business Representative) , Yoleth Khadour(SAF Chair) Parent of a student, Dawn Spaeder(BTU Steward), Stefania Vollmer(Non- Instructional Support Employees, SAC Secretary), Katherine Nieto (ESOL parent of a student at the school),Milka Velez(Parent), Lisset Perez (Pre-K teacher)

Call to order:

A meeting of the Dolphin Bay School Advisory Council was held in the media center on Monday, September 15,2025 and called the meeting to order at 2:17pm. Stefania Vollmer recorded minutes for this meeting.

Welcome (sign-in & email verification)

Approval of September Minutes:

10/07/2025 2:17 pm motioned by Mrs. Khadour and seconded by Mrs. Perez

SESIR Data:

No new incidents to report as 08/31/2025

Accountability Funds:

Total Balance – TBA on October

School Improvement Plan:

Mrs. Walker and Ms. Nelson presented two components of the SIP Plan (LSW and Attendance Plan)

For the month of October, Dolphin Bay Elementary celebrated several meaningful events at our school:

- **Hispanic Heritage Week** was observed from **October 6–10, 2025**, with a variety of activities that honored the culture, contributions, and history of the Hispanic community.
- We also celebrated **Peace Day** with engaging and fun activities designed to teach students about **kindness** and **responsibility**.
- In addition, our school counselor, **Mr. Canavan**, hosted a **Positive Behavior Assembly** to reinforce respectful and responsible behavior across our student body.

These events supported our ongoing commitment to a positive and inclusive school environment.

As part of our ongoing school improvement efforts, our **focus this year is on attendance**. Our goal is to **reduce student absences by 5%**. One way we are supporting this is by consistently sending

reminders to parents about the importance of daily attendance and being on time. We believe that being present and punctual plays a vital role in student success.

Redefining School Phase 2 – Broward County Public Schools

Ms. Nelson presented news that Dolphin Bay Elementary is currently under consideration to become a K–8 center as part of Phase 2 of the Redefining School initiative by Broward County Public Schools. Neighboring schools in the area are also included in this planning process.

Additionally, **Glades Middle School** is being considered for a transition into a technical school, which would provide more career and vocational learning opportunities for students and would directly impact Dolphin Bay Elementary schools.

Ms. Nelson shared current enrollment and demographic data for Dolphin Bay Elementary. She noted that the total number of students within the school’s boundary has declined since the 2018 school year, when enrollment was 771 students, to the current count of approximately 480. She reviewed data on the percentage of students assigned to the school who actually attend, as well as those attending charter schools, other Broward County Public Schools, and those enrolled as out-of-boundary students. Ms. Nelson also discussed the number of Pre-K students and ESE classes currently being served. She emphasized the importance of understanding enrollment trends as they impact staffing, funding, and overall school planning.

A decision regarding these proposed changes is scheduled for October 7 at 12:00 PM, Ms. Nelson encourages teacher, parents and community to join the discussion. Final notification will be provided on January 14, 2026.

Ms. Nelson will continue to keep families informed as more details become available.

No further input provided by teacher, parent and community.

New Business:

October 6-10,2025: PTA Bookfair.

October 10: Early Release Day.

October 13: Teacher Planning Day (No school for students).

October 15: Family Night at Lime.

October 20: No School.

October 21: Report Card issued.

October 23: Make-up Picture Day.

October 23: Trunk-or- Treat.

October 24: I-Zone parent meeting at Coconut Palm Elementary School.

October 29: NEHS Induction ceremony.

November 1st: SAC/SAF Meeting

Next Meeting:

November 1st, 2025 at 2:15 pm

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn meeting at 2:44m by Jeremy Scott and seconded by Dawn Spaeder.