



Challenger Elementary School

A Title 1 School

School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting

Location of Meeting: Challenger Elementary School Media Center

March 27, 2026

8:00 A.M.

Minutes: Quorum Met

Attendance:

Tiffany Haynes
Tara Zdanowicz
Chelsea Delancy
Sarah Divine
Marlon Holness
Karen Miller
Alice Dague
Raquel Lopez
Jammal Davenport
Joe Gardiner
Claudine Dunbar-Creary
Jennifer Fowler
Marie Aime
Dr. Moira Sweeting-Miller
Hennetta Davis
Christie Iribarren

1. Call to Order

A meeting of the Challenger Elementary School, School Advisory Council was held in the media center on March 27, 2026. Tiffany Haynes called the meeting to order at 8:11 AM. Jennifer Cacciola is absent, Tiffany Haynes will record minutes for this meeting.

2. Approve January and February 2026 Minutes

Joseph Gardiner motioned to approve the minutes of January 23, 2026, Marie Aime second the motion. Joseph Gardiner motioned to approve the minutes of February 27, 2026, Tiffany Haynes second the motion.

3. Vote on SAC Accountability Funds

Due to funding this year, there is not an ELO fund. Ms. Zdanowicz explained that to operate ELO effectively, it requires \$10,000 to \$20,000. The City of Tamarac donated \$5,000 to the school that is being used towards ELO. Ms. Zdanowicz suggested that the SAC Accountability Funds be spent towards ELO in hopes of increasing ELO sessions. Any remaining funds will be used for instructional materials. Parents were asked to provide feedback and suggestions. Jammal Davenport inquired about what subject areas would be focused. It was explained that ELO addresses both subjects (Math and Reading). Parents unanimously agreed with the decision. Ms. Zdanowicz motioned for the funds to be used for ELO and instructional materials, Jennifer Fowler second the motion. The vote was carried unanimously.

4. SAC Updates

The BCPS Annual Customer Survey window closes on Friday, May 15, 2026. Challenger Elementary needs a total of 160 surveys completed, and it must include Parents - 20%, Staff - 60% and Students (Grades 3-12) - 40%.

5. Principal Report

Ms. Zdanowicz mentioned that she is brainstorming ways to have parents to complete the BCPS Annual Customer Survey. She introduced Dr. Moira Sweeting-Miller, the Assistant Principal at Millennium 6-12 Collegiate Academy to discuss their partnership. Currently, there is no update on the progress for the designated area at Millennium 6-12 Collegiate Academy that has been assigned as a play area for Challenger students. Ms. Zdanowicz is hopeful that the play area will be completed by next school year. Other partnership ideas include 5th grade shadow days, band practices observed by primary students, 5000 Role Models integration and more opportunities for high school students to earn volunteer hours.

6. Safety/School Wide Behavior Update/SESIR Report

No SESIR incidents, Referrals are down when compared to this time last year. However, behaviors are beginning to increase, we will provide incentives.

7. Title I Updates/Parent Feedback, Review of Current 2025-2026 & Upcoming 2026-2027

Title 1 Documents

a) Review PFEP Survey Results & current PFEP

Parents were given the opportunity to review the PFEP Survey Results and provide input for the current PFEP.

b) Approve 2026-2027 Parent & Family Engagement Plan & Title 1 School-Parent Compact.

Parent, Student, and School Title 1 Compact final draft was projected and reviewed with everyone. SAF Chair gave feedback – (Do they track any of this stuff because I'm looking at some of the parent responsibilities and I'm like you know the amount of time your child watches TV that's a difficult one to land on for the most part. I don't have any issues with it just as long as we're not being held to a specific thing.) feedback documented for live revisions. No further input was provided Chelsea Delancy motioned to approve the School-Parent Compact, Tara Zdanowicz second the motion.

The input was recorded on the feedback form and used for revisions for the upcoming school year's PFEP. The staff and parent input included a variety of different weeknights for Family events as well as dedicated time throughout the school day for Parent Teacher conferences. No further input was provided. Chelsea Delancy motioned to approve the Parent and Family Engagement Plan for the 2026-2027 Schoolyear, Tia Holness second the motion.

d) Review current SIP Plan & Title 1 Addendum, Feedback for 2026-2027 SIP/Addendum

Parents were given the opportunity to review the current SIP Plan & Title 1 Addendum and provide input for the upcoming school year No input was provided at this time.

8. Review 2025-2026 Title 1 Budget & proposed 2026-2027- Parent Involvement Allocation

Ms. Zdanowicz discussed the projected Title 1 Budget for the 2026-2027 school year. The projected amount is \$300,176 of which \$285,000 is salary, \$5,575 for parental involvement, with a remaining \$15,009. Ms. Zdanowicz shared the administration's feedback that they would like to utilize the remaining fund for a full-time paraprofessional to assist with daily pullouts. A lot of the discussion was on how that would be beneficial for the school long term. The SAC members all agreed this was most beneficial for how the money was spent for the 2025-2026 school year as well as for the upcoming 2026-2027 funds. No further input was provided by the meeting attendees and members.

9. Data and Testing Updates

End of the year testing dates were shared. 4th and 5th grade will take the BEST Writing on March 31 – April 1, 2026. Primary testing window is April 21 – May 1, 2026. Secondary testing window is May 5 – May 20, 2026.

Meeting Adjournment

Tiffany Haynes motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 am. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting: April 24, 2026

***SAF Meeting will be held immediately following SAC meeting. ***

