

January 4, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the **CHARTER ELEMENTARY MIDDLE SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD** was called to order by Member Gill (Chair McGovern arrived at 6:15pm) on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 6:10 P.M. at the Central Elementary Middle School Campus Cafeteria, 12350 Sheridan Street, Pembroke Pines, Florida. All stood for the pledge. Secretary Borgstrom called roll and declared a quorum.

**2021-2022 CHARTER ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD:**

**PRESENT:** Chair McGovern, Members Gill, Nicolas, Osorio, Perez, Phillips, and Baranwal. Alternate Member Sylvester

**ABSENT:** Vice Chair Dawkins, Members Baptiste and Oliver, Alternate Members Cambry, Siddiqui, Hteit

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Comptroller Jonathan Bonilla; Principals Augustin, Chance, Castellano and Dr. Sporillo; Board Secretary Katherine Borgstrom

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**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Jonathan Bonilla spoke about the lottery for enrollment in the charter system that will begin on January 10 and will run through March 10. Siblings needing to enroll for charter placement and returning students need to be enrolled through the lottery. He also announced that there will be another raffle for a full paid scholarship in the Florida Prepaid College Plan, a value of \$27,000. There will be 100 tickets available for \$100 each. The last day to purchase tickets for the raffle will be January 24. Last year the raffle raised \$6,000. Anyone is eligible to participate and assign to any student K through 12, living in Florida. There will be dress down day on January 18.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion by Member Nicolas, seconded by Member Phillips, to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2021 meeting as received, passed unanimously.

**EXCUSED ABSENCES:**

A motion by Member Osorio, seconded by Member Baranwal, to excuse the absence of Vice Chair Dawkins, Members Baptiste and Oliver, Alternate Members Cambry, Siddiqui, Hteit from the January meeting, passed unanimously.

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:**

Principal Castellano spoke about the recent uptick in reported Covid in teachers and students as everyone is just returning to school. There are information sheets at the sign in area with information about free Covid testing (especially for children), the upcoming February 24, 2022 Raising Positive Children Virtual meeting, and the virtual family workshop on February 10. He stated the Raising Positive Children topic will be Social Media and its impact on youth mental health and the workshop topic is Run, Hide, Flight: School Safety Protocols for Students. Parents need to register for the Zoom presentation.

**OPEN FORUM:**

Parents asked about the website Covid update report on dashboard, the transition to FOCUS for parents and students has some problems to be worked out, the uptick in students fighting at the high school, the current facial covering/mask situation in the classroom and if vaccinations will be mandatory for next school year. Principals answered that the Charter School follows the Broward County School District rules and policies and the current mask policy is student and teacher optional and vaccinations are not mandatory at this time. Parents were informed about the Covid testing facility set up by the City at City Center and that the Central Campus will be undergoing

construction on the front office entry, so parents should use the south entrance to the campus.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There was no new business.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted

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Board Secretary

ADJOURNED: 7:43 P.M.

APPROVED: 2/1/2022