

**CHARTER ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE
SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD**

PEMBROKE PINES, FL

February 7, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the **CHARTER ELEMENTARY MIDDLE SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD** was called to order by acting Chair Huckabee on Tuesday, February 7, 2023, at 6:09 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.

2022-2023 CHARTER ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD:

PRESENT: Chair McGovern, Vice Chair Sylvester, Members Baptiste, Nicolas, Siddiqui, Huckabee, and Bartkowicz; Alternate Member Levy

ABSENT:, Members Osorio, Longoria and Phillips; Alternate Members Allen, Donthineni and Laljie

ALSO PRESENT: Commissioner Iris Siple, Jonathan Bonilla, Assistant Public Services Director; Principals Castellano, Augustin, Sporillo and Chance; Board Secretary Katherine Borgstrom

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Commissioner Iris Siple spoke about the upcoming March 2, 2023 Raising Positive Children forum. It will begin at 6:30 PM in the Grand Hall at City Center. The theme of the forum will be "Tapping into your parent super power" and Dr. Cruz will be the main speaker. Parents will receive hours for attending by signing in with the provided QR code at the meeting.

Jonathan Bonilla, Assistant Public Services Director, spoke about fundraising, encouraging participation in upcoming SOS dress down days. Mr. Bonilla also stated that the Florida Pre-Paid College Tuition raffle netted \$17,000 for the Charter Fund. He reminded parents that the 2023-2024 Enrollment Lottery will run through March 10, 2023. He reminded parents that currently enrolled students who plan to return next school year also need to be enrolled through the lottery. There will be a restaurant

fundraiser at North South Grill on February 8 and tickets for Taste of Pines are almost sold out. Corporate sponsors have netted \$42,000 this year and the parent donation has raised \$21,000 to date.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion by Member Bartkowicz, seconded by Member Huckabee, to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2023 meeting as presented, passed unanimously.

EXCUSED ABSENCES:

A motion by Member Bartkowicz, seconded by Member Huckabee, to excuse from the February meeting Members Osorio, Longoria and Phillips; Alternate Members Allen, Donthineni and Laljie passed unanimously.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Chance spoke about accreditation surveys and thanked parents for participating in those. He gave an update on the traffic situation on Flamingo Road during drop off and pick up times. SRO office has been speaking to drivers who stop on the swale to drop off/pick up students and reminded them that action is illegal for many weeks. Parents have also been warned via email reminders. Starting on Monday, February 13, the Pembroke Pines Police Department will begin issuing tickets to drivers who park on the swale to drop off/pick up students. Mr. Chance spoke to the activities scheduled for February at all campuses and about middle school sports. He also reported the Teacher of the Year and Non-Instructional Employee of the year for each campus will be recognized soon.

OPEN FORUM:

Parents suggested that the school send out emails reminding parents of the availability of bussing transportation to and from school. Before and After School payment system was discussed and Mr. Bonilla reported that the City is working to get an on-line system up as soon as possible so parents do not have to make payments in person. Parents requested counselor come speak at a meeting to give information concerning how the transition from middle school to high school is handled and how the counselor can help with course selection. The next testing date has not been set by the state, but as soon as it is, parents will be notified. This will be the third and final assessment for the school year. The Reactor app for the bus system was discussed. The company that was to supply the badges the students would swipe as entering and exiting the bus, in order to give real time update as to location of student, had a supply issue and could not create the needed amount of badges for the school, so the student tracking was taken off the app for now but parents can still get location service for the bus itself.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chair McGovern adjourned the meeting at 6:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Borgstrom

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Board Secretary

ADJOURNED: 6:48 P.M.
APPROVED: 3/7/2023