

**CHARTER ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE  
SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD**

**PEMBROKE PINES, FL**

November 1, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the **CHARTER ELEMENTARY MIDDLE SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD** was called to order by Chair McGovern on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 6:11 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, Phillips, Siddiqui, Nicolas, Huckabee, and Bartkowicz; Alternate Members Donthineni and Levy

**ABSENT:** Vice Chair Sylvester, Members Osorio, Baptiste and Longoria; Alternate Members Allen and Laljie

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

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**OATH OF OFFICE**

Chair McGovern shared that the West Elementary Alternate who had been elected in May has resigned from the advisory board. There was a fourth candidate who is willing to take the alternate position in the advisory board will ratify his appointment.

A motion by Member Bartkowicz, seconded by Member Phillips, to ratify the appointment of Member Donthineni to serve as the West Elementary Alternate passed unanimously.

The newly appointed members (appointed at the October meeting) of the board took the Oath of Office.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

Jonathan Bonilla, Assistant Public Services Director, spoke about fundraising, encouraging parents to participate in the pledge contribution and upcoming SOS dress

down days. There will be a restaurant fundraiser at Tajuana Flats. Mr. Bonilla also stated that the Florida Pre-Paid College Tuition raffle is now open and will be until December 7, with the drawing for the winner at the City Commission meeting on December 14.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion by Member Nicolas, seconded by Member Bartkowicz, to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2022 meeting as presented, passed unanimously.

### **EXCUSED ABSENCES:**

A motion by Member Phillips, seconded by Member Bartkowicz, to excuse from the November meeting Vice Chair Sylvester, Member Longoria, and Alternate Member Allen passed unanimously.

### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Principal Chance introduced the Chartwells representatives, Marlon Alvarez, Director; Jennifer Sliwinsky, Assistant Director; Chef Jordan Sanchez and Sarah Dorestat, Chef Manager. The representatives spoke about the food service, how Chartwells is involving the students in experiencing new menu items that could be added next year, the federal guidelines and the snacks that are available to students for purchase. They also brought some samples of the snacks for the parents to try. They are very motivated to provide nutritious and tasteful items to the students. Supply shortages that are currently happening may lead to alternations to the monthly calendar, so parents were encouraged to look over the menu for changes that might occur after the month begins. They answered questions from parents and board members and offered their email addresses to parents for comments and questions.

Principal Chance reported on middle school sports, stating the girls' golf team had placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the County finals; the boys' golf team place 5<sup>th</sup> in County finals, and the girls' soccer team had an undefeated season and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the County finals.

Principal Chance reported that all of the Charter System schools had received an A+ Grade for 2021-2022 school year and that committees will be formed for each level to allow the staff and faculty to determine how the awarded funds will be divided. Member Bartkowicz has volunteered for the middle school committee and Chair McGovern has volunteered for the elementary school committee.

**OPEN FORUM:**

Concerns expressed during the Open Forum were nutrition questions about added vs natural sugar and carbs and adding more fish courses to the students' meals; and a recent software glitch that Mr. Castellano responded to stating that they are working with the provider and if a parent comes across a problem, please take a screen shot and send to the curriculum specialist or the classroom teacher so it can be forwarded to the provider. Several parents thanked the Chartwells' representatives for their continued diligence in providing nutritional and tasteful meal choices.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There was no new business.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Chair McGovern dismissed the parents and requested all members to remain for the presentation from the City Attorney's Office.

## **SUNSHINE LAW AND RECORDS RETENTION LAW PRESENTATION**

After the parents were dismissed, Assistant City Attorney Brian Sherman presented a refresher presentation on the Florida Sunshine and Records Retentions Laws for the board members.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Chair McGovern adjourned the meeting at 7:21 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Borgstrom

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**ADJOURNED:** 7:21 P.M.

**APPROVED:** 12/06/2022