

SUNED HIGH SCHOOL

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA:

November 7, 2013

@ 3:45pm

Welcome and Introduction: Barry Goldberg; Board Chair;

Reading and acceptance of minutes: Phil Neiss

Principal's Report: Leslie Chandler

Committee Reports:

- 1/ Facilities Report: Phil Neiss
- 2/ Technology Report; Barry Goldberg
- 3/ Principal's Report: Leslie Chandler
- 4/ Additional Reports from the floor

Old Business:

- 1/ Security Surveillance System: Mr. Goldberg
- 2/ Phone System Upgrade
- 3/ Education Management Company
- 4/ Old Business from the floor

New Business:

- 1/ New Business from the floor

Good and Welfare

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted:
Marcin Sliwa
Bd. Secretary



"Educating Our Community, One Student At A Time..."

Legal Public Notice
SunEd Governing Board
November 7, 2013

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, November 7, 2013 at 4:00pm; the Board of Directors of SunEd Charter High School of Broward County #06-5060 will hold a Board of Director meeting.

The location of the meeting is *2360 W. Oakland Park Blvd, Oakland Park, Florida*. The purpose of this meeting is to consider various school matters including budget, operations, and academic outcomes.

The public is invited to participate. Any member of the public that would like to address the Board will be given consideration to do so by the Board *only* if the person submits a 'request to speak' form at least twenty- four (24) hours in advance of the meeting. The request to speak form must be delivered timely to the attention of the Board at the above referenced address.

Any questions regarding this meeting should be directed to Mr. Barry Goldberg, SunEd Board Chair (954)678.3939 or bgoldberg@sunedhigh.com

SUNSHINE CHARTER ACADEMY OF BROWARD, INC.

d/b/a: SUNED HIGH SCHOOL #5060

Board of Directors Meeting: 11-07-2013: 4:00 PM

Posting of Meeting: This meeting was noticed by written postings both inside and outside of the school premises, three days prior to the scheduled meeting.

In Attendance: Barry Goldberg, Board Chair; Norma Vasquez-Hirshfield, Ass't Board Chair; Marion Silver, Board Secretary; Lynn Bloodgood, Board Member; Mark Weintraub, Board Member; Leslie Chandler, SunEd High School Principal; Kathleen Watson-Wilkin, School Liaison and Career Lab Instructor; Judith Guevera, SunEd Data Coordinator; Sharon Wladimirski, Suned Guidance Counselor; Beatrice Keaton, Suned Enrollment Specialist; Krystal Young, Transition Lab Instructor; William Teat, Math Instructor and IT Coordinator; Stephen Williams, English Teacher and IT Coordinator; Brandy Scott, Science Teacher; Chermona Francois-Smith, Reading Teacher; James McGriff, Social Studies Teacher; Innocent Eugene, Math Teacher; Luis Moreno, English Teacher; James Powers, ESOL Instructor; Jeremy Baker, Front End Coordinator; Phil Neiss, Founding Board Member.

Reading and Acceptance of Minutes: Marion Silver was asked to read the minutes and then proceeded with a motion to accept the minutes. Mark Weintraub seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved by the Board Members.

Committee Reports:

Facilities: Phil Neiss reported that there will be some parking lot changes due to a recent request by the Oakland Park Fire Department. The OPFD suggested that we realign the parking spaces in the rear of the building to create more direct accessibility for emergency exits from the labs and teacher's lounge areas. In addition to complying with the fire department's suggestion, we will also restripe all of the parking spaces throughout the property. We are now seeking bids for this improvement. In addition, Mr. Neiss requested that the staff utilize both the rear and side parking of the premises leaving the front parking available for guest parking (whenever possible).

Technology: Barry Goldberg reported that the school contracted and purchased an additional 30 "N brain" computers. This brings the total number of computers to 193. This additional purchase "rounds out" the number of units in the building. When we first opened last year, it was the goal to reach full computer capacity. We are now there!

With the addition of the new computers, it was necessary for us to increase the size of our server capacity. Additional servers were added to facilitate this growth.

We have installed a new fingerprinting scan device by the front entrance in the school lobby. The purpose of this device is to eliminate the need for teachers to sign in/out on a daily basis. They only need to press their thumb on the device, which will scan and accurately record their time in the building. This will also eliminate any potential confusion that could be created by using the sign in sheets.

Principal's Report: Leslie Chandler introduced her entire team at the meeting. Since the last board meeting, there have been some new hires and positive changes. New to the staff is: Innocent Eugene, who teaches math; Chermona Francois-Smith, who is our new reading teacher; Sharon Wladimirski, our new guidance counselor; and Brandy Scott, our new science teacher. Ms. Chandler also noted that effective 11-15-2013, Ms. Weaver will be joining our team as the new ESE specialist.

It was noted that every staff member was present at the meeting. Mr. Goldberg thanked everyone for their participation on their own time.

Ms. Chandler also noted that our student testing has been ongoing and more extensive than in previous terms. Approximately 70% of all students have taken their EOCs to date. The effort will continue until every enrolled student has sat for the testing.

Our efforts for FTE "count" weeks have been successful. We exceeded our original goal of 400 students and have verified an enrollment in excess of 420 students. Ms. Chandler specifically thanked Ms. Keaton, Ms. Wladimirski, and Ms. (Momma G) Guevera for their superb efforts. She further thanked the entire staff: "Congratulations to the entire staff for a job well done!"

The staff actively promoted "School Spirit Week" during the FTE count period. Numerous activities were provided by the school for the benefit of our student population. This included a successful "career fair" which attracted 28 community partners to set up their booths and actively promote their services to our students. This was the largest career fair to date, and it is likely to continue to grow.

During Spirit Week, additional events were held to promote student involvement. There were designated costume days (dress to impress; wacky tacky dress day, sweatshirt 'hoody' day; shoe day). Students were rewarded for their originality and appearances. There were several raffles, which included Kindles, headphones, a bicycle, and two televisions. The students also received McDonalds gift cards for a free lunch. Additionally, we had 2 pizza lunch days, where the staff had the opportunity to serve the students lunch. We also had a party at the end of the week, featuring a DJ and music.

On October 23rd, approximately 40 seniors went to the Broward County College Fair. This afforded these potential graduates to meet and greet recruiters from local colleges and vocational schools.

There is a trip scheduled for November 22nd to the IMAX theatre to see "Hunger Games 2". Mr. Mcgriff will be staffing the event.

The school is planning to raffle off turkeys to coincide with the Christmas holidays. No further details are available yet. Ms. Chandler and her team will coordinate the effort.

Old Business:

Security Surveillance System: We are in the process of updating our security surveillance system in the building. We have investigated several different companies and will determine which system is most effective for our school's needs.

Phone System Upgrade: As previously discussed, we are also moving forward with updating our phone system to include additional phone sets in the classrooms and labs.

Mr. Goldberg noted that there was grant money (E-Rate) available for the purchase of a phone system. However, E-Rate funding has still not been approved and assigned to our school. All federal funding and grant monies have considerably been curtailed.

Education Management Company: As previously discussed in earlier board meetings, the Board has reviewed and selected a company to assist and manage the day-to-day operation of the school. Ms. Vasquez-Hirshfield, Committee Chair, reported that several companies were contacted and invited to submit proposals for the task. Three proposals were received by the Board for their perusal. The board members each reviewed the submitted plans and objectives of each of the applicants and made their recommendations. The board members have chosen "A Plus Resource Group" to be the school's management facilitator.

While all of the proposals offered an array of services, the Board made its determination based on the overall scope of services and involvement that the respective companies offered. Each of the final companies offered back-office support, accounting services, and management of all filing requirements and compliance issues. Two of the companies suggested an active board liaison position; Two of the companies would be active pertaining to school purchases and procurement of services. One of the companies is based out of state, another is 150 miles away, and the third company is local. A Plus Resource Group, offered all of the above mentioned services as well as uniquely offering:

A Facilities Management program;

Direct coordination with the school's IT company;

24/7 availability and accessibility;

Locally operated and based in Broward County.

Upon concluding her report, Ms. Vasquez called for a vote to recommend its choice of provider. Ms. Bloodgood seconded the motion. Each member was polled for a vote, as follows: Norma Vasquez-Hirshfield: In Favor of A Plus Resource Group, Marion Silver: In favor of A Plus Resource Group, Mark Weintraub: In favor of A Plus Resource Group, Lynn Bloodgood: In favor of A Plus Resource Group, Barry Goldberg, Board Chair: Abstained. The vote was in favor of A Plus Resource Group.

The proposal and pertinent information will be forwarded to Counsel for review and discussion with the SBBC next week.

New Business: There was no new business addressed at this meeting.

The next Board of Directors meeting is tentatively scheduled on or about December 12, 2013.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:01 P.M.

Respectfully submitted: Marion Silver; Suned High Board of Directors, Secretary