



# MINUTES FOR BOARD APPROVAL

EDUCATION ADVISORY BOARD

**Meeting Minutes for February 16, 2006 - 6:30 P.M.**

Ft. Lauderdale City Hall

100 N. Andrews Avenue, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Administrative Note: These Minutes Approved April 2006.

<u>MEMBERS</u>		<b>Current Meeting</b>	<b>Cumulative Attendance</b>		<b>4/05 – 3/06 Meetings</b>
<i>Current Membership: 15 Vacancies: 0 Quorum: 8</i>			<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	
1	Michael Bacigalupi	A	2	2	4
2	Pam Brown, Co-Chair	P	9	1	10
3	Brian Dassler, Co-Chair	P	9	1	10
4	Lu Deaner	P	10	0	10
5	Beth Gillon	A	6	4	10
6	Alice Hendrickson	A	5	5	10
7	Pearl Maloney	A	6	4	10
8	Frances Payne	A	3	7	10
9	Elaine Schulze	P	8	2	10
10	Betty Shelley	P	5	5	10
11	Dr. Niara Sudarkasa	A	4	6	10
12	Judy Zinn	P	3	1	4
<b>Total Members Present</b>		<b>6</b>			
Leslie G. Carhart, Staff Liaison		P	10	0	10
Charles Webster, BCPS Liaison		P	5	5	10
Dr. Elizabeth Hays, CFLCA Liaison		P	8	1	9

## EAB February 2006 Agenda

### **A. Opening** - Brian Dassler and Pam Brown

1. Attendance and Sign-in
2. Announcements
3. Approve January Minutes & February Agenda

### **B. New Business**

#### **1. Magnet Program/Arthur Ashe Middle –**

Guest: Dr. Earlean Smiley, Deputy Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction/Student Support

### **C. Old/Ongoing Business**

#### **1. Magnet Program/Arthur Ashe Middle Update – Guests TBD**

#### **2. Other Discussions**

- a. Partnering / initiatives with other schools
- b. EAB Meeting Schedule Change – 4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month

#### **3. Reports/Updates from Chairs**

- a. Partnering/Sunland Park Elementary
- b. Mentoring/Larkdale Elementary
- c. Project Update/Stranahan High School
- d. Project Update/Fort Lauderdale High

### **D. City Commission/Manager follow-up Items**

1. BCPS 2006 Legislative Program – Handout

### **E. Other Regular Updates**

1. Co-Chairs– Dassler/Brown
2. Staff Liaison Report –Carhart
3. Broward County School District Reports – C. Webster
4. Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations Report – Hays

### **F. Other Matters - TBD**

### **G. Next Meeting**

- **Agenda Items:** TBD
- **Location:** City Hall 8<sup>th</sup> floor conference room
- **Date:** Regular Meeting Date: March 27, 2006

### **H. Closing**

**Opening – Co-chairs Dassler and Brown** - Attendance and Sign-in

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 by Co-Chair Dassler. The attendance sign-in sheet was passed around.

**Approve December 2005, January 2006 Minutes and February 2006 Agenda**

This item was deferred due to lack of a quorum. Members present informally approved the February agenda.

**New Business**

**Magnet Program/Arthur Ashe Middle School – Dr. Earlean Smiley**

Dr. Smiley was not present to report.

**Old/Ongoing Business**

**Magnet Program at Arthur Ashe – Update**

Co-Chair Dassler distributed a copy of a memo from Dr. Smiley recommending the feasibility study for the magnet school at Arthur Ashe. Dr. Hays suggested Co-Chair Dassler send a letter to the Broward County School Board indicating the EAB's support of the magnet program for Arthur Ashe.

**Other Discussions**

**Partnering/Initiatives with Other Schools**

**EAB meeting schedule change – 4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month**

The Board discussed possible meeting dates and available accommodations. Since there were currently 12 Board members and 3 liaisons, the Board was concerned that the entire panel could not be seated and microphoned at the Commission Chamber dais. Ms. Carhart agreed to find out what arrangements could be made in the Chamber for the EAB. Co-Chair Dassler and other members present remarked on the disappointing attendance of some EAB members and Co-Chair Dassler noted that there would be a "major turnover" soon because of absenteeism and term limits. The Board decided to meet in the Commission Chamber on the third Monday each month at the same time: 6:30.

Ms. Carhart noted that they had discussed meeting in March at the African American research Library; Co-Chair Dassler said he would contact Ms. Hunter and ask if they Library could host them next month.

**Reports and Updates from Chairs**

**Partnering at Sunland Elementary**

Co-Chair Brown explained that Ms. Batie would be leaving Sunland after April. She and Co-Chair Dassler had met with Ms. Batie and discussed partnership activities. Ms. Batie had brought up the School Resource Officer issue and suggested that an officer could at least "pop by" the school from time to time. Co-Chair Brown intended to speak to City Manager Gretsas about this request.

Co-Chair Dassler asked Board members to volunteer specific additional activities for their partnership initiatives at Sunland. He added the following activities and possible partners to the spreadsheet:

- ❖ Building and grounds
  - Gardening program

- Fort Lauderdale Landscape Department, Tim Smith [Dr. Hays]
  - Plantation High School [Ms. Schulze]
  - Roy Rogers, Arvida, Alan Levy [Ms. Zinn]
  - Federated Garden Circles of Fort Lauderdale ] Ms. Deaner]
- Acquisition/clean-up of dry cleaner, Commissioner Moore, Mr. Garrettson [Co-Chairs Brown and Dassler]
- Parks and Recreation Board [Dr. Hays]
- ❖ Student Achievement
  - Mentoring/volunteering
    - Council of Florida Civic Associations, CVC Points [Dr. Hays]
    - Superstars Math Enrichment, volunteer training [Dr. Hays, Ms. Shelly, Ms Schulze]
  - King Tut Field Trip Sponsorship
    - Local businesses [Mr. Carhart, Dr. Hays]
    - Unused campaign contributions
      - Commissioners Moore [Co-Chair Brown]
      - Commissioner Hutchinson [Dr. Hays]
      - Mayor Naugle [Ms. Schulze]
  - FCAT incentives and recognition
- ❖ Partnerships
  - Partners Database for Ms. Batie’s successor
    - Commissioners’ recommendations, contribution list [Dr. Hays]
    - Realtors [Ms. Schulze]
    - Christopher Pollock [Ms. Carhart]
    - The Wright Group [Ms. Shelly]
    - Commissioner Moore’s district meetings [Co-Chair Dassler]

Dr. Hays asked Co-Chair Dassler to send the updated chart to Board members.

**Mentoring at Larkdale Elementary**

Co-Chair Dassler said this was a “non-starter” since the percentage of Fort Lauderdale students at Larkdale was too low.

**Project Update: Stranahan High School**

Co-Chair Dassler announced that the planning meeting had gone well, with the exception of “some rogue neighborhood leaders who suggested moving the school to the other side of I95.” Co-Chair Dassler thought this was a sad situation; the School district had worked so hard to encourage neighborhood participation, but the neighborhoods did not necessarily respond and participate in the same good faith. He felt the problem was “some folks who don’t want black kids walking in their neighborhood and would do anything they could to keep it from happening.”

**Project Update: Fort Lauderdale High School**

Co-Chair Dassler announced that the pool for the school’s use would be located on the west side of Northeast 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**Commission/Manager Follow-up Items**

Handout - BCPS 2006-07 Legislative Program

**Other/Regular Updates**

**Co-Chairs Report – Dassler and Brown - None**

Co-Chair Dassler thanked members present for their attendance and admitted they must address the attendance/quorum problem. Co-Chair Dassler felt the Board should discuss recommending new members to Commissioners for appointment. He suggested creating a spreadsheet of possible candidates at the next meeting.

**Staff Liaison Report –Carhart**

Ms. Carhart announced that her office was moving to the Swimming Hall of Fame Museum next week and promised to forward her new contact information to the Board.

**Broward County School District Reports – C. Webster**

Mr. Webster informed the Board that the final workshop, dealing with Civics Education and Mentoring, had been on February 1 and they intended to follow up with Best Practices and Civics education.

Mr. Webster announced that Broward County had recently joined eight other counties in the Greater Florida Consortium of School Boards. They intended to advocate education issues in the State Legislature. Co-Chair Dassler noted that Marco Rubio, the House Speaker, and Ken Pruitt, the Senate President, were both from the area included in the consortium.

**Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations Report – Hays**

Dr. Hays reported that some members had met last month with the Chief of Police and City Manager Gretsas to discuss the Police progress report. Dr. Hays had brought up the SRO issue, and the Chief informed her that at a recent Police Chief meeting, this issue had been discussed at the elementary school level. She felt they must keep bringing this issue up until something was done about it.

Dr. Hays stated that the Council’s crime committee was interested in breaking down crime reports by location: neighborhoods, business, and parks, to determine what areas were affected. She believed that the cut in Park Rangers must be contributing to an increase in crimes in the parks.

**Other Matters**

Ms. Deaner announced that Southside would host a kickoff barbeque on April 1 at noon.

Ms. Shelly announced that there was a CVC this Saturday at George English Park at 8:00.

**Next Meeting**

Agenda Items:	TBA
Location:	TBA
Date:	Monday March 27, 2006

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Handouts:

1. Copy of memo from Dr. Smiley recommending the feasibility study for a magnet program at Arthur Ashe
2. Copy of memo from City Clerk informing the Board of the need to change their meeting date
3. Draft copy of EAB’s partnership initiatives for Sunland Park Elementary