

May 3, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the **CHARTER ELEMENTARY MIDDLE SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD** was called to order by Chairman Prescott on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, at 6:05 P.M. at Charter Elementary Middle School, East Campus, 10801 Pembroke Road, Pembroke Pines, Florida. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Secretary Borgstrom called roll and declared a quorum.

2015-2016 CHARTER ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD:

PRESENT: Chairman Prescott, Members McVey, McGovern, Granda, Rundell, Sylvester, Garcia, Razza, and Madabhushi

ABSENT: Vice Chairman Levy, Member Rundell; Alternate Members Bucknam, Reyes, and Dawkins

ALSO PRESENT: Commissioner Iris Siple, Aner Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager, Jonathan Bonilla, City Comptroller; Principals Bass, Chance, Castellano and Libidinsky; and Board Secretary Katherine Borgstrom

MEET THE CANDIDATES SESSION:

Parents who had applied for Board nominations for the 2016-2017 advisory board each spoke at the Meet the Candidates Session before the meeting was called to order.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Aner Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager, informed the board members and parents that the state funding for 2016-2017 from the State has been increased in the three main divisions. These increases will bring more dollars per student to the schools and will be incorporated into the budget that is currently in process of being completed.

Jonathan Bonilla, City Comptroller, spoke about fundraising efforts and the totals collected to date. He took questions from the parents concerning how the budget will be influenced by the donations from the parent letters and other fundraising events .

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Member McGovern, seconded by Member Sylvester, to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2016 Regular Meeting, as received, the following votes were recorded:

AYE: Chairman Prescott, Members McVey, McGovern, Granda, Rundell, Sylvester, Garcia, Razza, and Madabhushi

NAY: None

Motion Passed

EXCUSED ABSENCES:

On a motion by Member McVey, seconded by Member Garcia, to excuse Vice Chairman Levy, Member Rundell; Alternate Members Bucknam, Francis and Reyes from the May 3, 2016 meeting, the following votes were recorded:

AYE: Chairman Prescott, Members McVey, McGovern, Granda, Rundell, Sylvester, Garcia, Razza, and Madabhushi

NAY: None

Motion Passed

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Principal Bass went over the very full calendar of events for all campuses for the month of May, which include the FSA and End of Course exams, concerts, honor roll recognition, field trips and end of year activities.

OPEN FORUM:

Parents Dany Cortez, Member McGovern, Annette Rodriguez, and Vaneka Johnson had concerns about the Lottery, how efficient it had worked, one family has experienced a problem with it for a sibling, honor roll recognition date, future out of state field trips and the process for choosing chaperones.

OLD BUSINESS:

Annual Report to The City Commission:

Members have had time to review the Annual Report. Chairman called for any suggestions for changes or additions. As there were none, the board voted on acceptance of the Annual Report.

On a motion by Member McVey, seconded by Member McGovern, to approve the Annual Report to the City Commission for presentation at the June 1, 2016 meeting, the following votes were recorded:

AYE: Chairman Prescott, Members McVey, McGovern, Granda, Rundell, Sylvester, Garcia, Razza, and Madabhushi

NAY: None

Motion Passed

NEW BUSINESS:

Joint Communication:

Member Kahn of the Charter Academic Village Advisory Board was in attendance and reported on their April meeting.

Election of 2016-2017 Board

At the earlier Meet the Candidates session, the following candidates for 2016-2017 board membership appeared:

East Elementary – Ed Sylvester and Jersey Garcia

Central Elementary – Kristina McVey

Central Middle – Alan Prescott, Debra Levy, Babu Madabhushi

West Elementary – Nicole McGovern, Timothy Razza, Natasha Russell

West Middle – Rick Rundell

As these candidates either complete or partially complete the representatives for each campus and there are no additional candidates, the board discussed ratifying these candidates

as the 2016-2017 Charter Elementary Middle School Advisory Board, as no balloting is necessary.

On a motion by Member McVey, seconded by Member Garcia, to ratify as board members for 2016-2017 all of the applicants who had appeared at this meeting during the Meet the Candidates Session, the following votes were recorded:

AYE: Chairman Prescott, Members McVey, McGovern, Granda, Rundell, Sylvester, Garcia, Razza, and Madabhusi

NAY: None

Motion Passed

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Member Granda, seconded by Member Garcia, to adjourn the meeting, the following votes were recorded:

AYE: Chairman Prescott, Members McVey, McGovern, Granda, Rundell, Sylvester, Garcia, Razza, and Madabhusi

NAY: None

Motion Passed

Respectfully submitted

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ADJOURNED: 6:58 P.M.
APPROVED: 06/07/2016