

Tropical Elementary School
School Advisory Council and School Advisory Forum Joint Meeting
March 4, 2025 8:30 AM
Minutes



1. Welcome and Introductions Called to meeting 8:34 AM
2. Review/approve Minutes from last meeting, February 4, 2023 Questions were asked about the UFLI program. It was explained in full detail by Mrs. Hernandez and Mrs. Chrystie. Motion to approve Scott Gorde and second by Liza Khan.
3. Attendance 95.1% Average daily attendance Attendance went down to 94%
4. Budget Update SAME
 - a. Accountability Balance: \$11,293.34
 - b. A+ Funds-approximately \$23,145.36(BBs will have A+ funds this week on March 7 and AAs will have it next week on March 14)
5. SESIR Update District Total: Incidents as of Nov. 30, 2024 235-August 602-Sept. 774-October 587-November 488-December 623-January Tropical Total-0 WE WILL SEE HOW FEB WAS – TROPICAL STILL HAD ZERO TO REPORT
6. Customer Survey- We need 20% of Parents, 40% of grades 3-5 students, and 60% of staff to complete the customer service this month. We will be sending it weekly and the Tropical Updates for parents to complete. FRIDAY PARENT LINK- SURVEY – PARENTS DO IT AT HOME AND STUDENTS WILL DO IT IN CLASS. TEACHERS WILL DO IT IN STAFF MEETING ON MARCH 11
7. Chrystie spoke about the MOCK writing test for grades 3-5.
8. iReady is doing much better because of the incentives that have been used lately.
9. UFLI
10. Testing is upcoming – PIE graph was shown regarding validation throughout the state of Florida-technology like cell phones and glasses that are techy – if a student is caught with a phone, smart watch, smart glasses will have test invalidated no matter what. Testing dates 1-2 April; K-March; 3,4,5 May. Then alternative testing immediately afterwards. Ask teachers to contact parents to make sure that parents get notified about testing and to mention how important it is to be present on testing dates. Ms Khan asked if there will ever be a limited time frame for testing. Ms Chrystie stated that there is no time limit. Students can take all day long if they need it. For the writing test, however, there is a three hour limit. If a child has to go home during the test because they feel ill in the middle of the test, test administrators are able to reopen a test on the next day or when they come better. However, if they go home just because or they have a doctor's appointment they cannot complete the test. Teachers are asked to check their students' eyes, i.e., to make sure that they are not sick. Ms Khan suggested that parents be notified of all future test dates. Ms Chrystie, Mr. Schneider, and Mr. Gorde all agreed.
11. Ms Villases has an update for ELL community (114) students. She started testing in January and should be done by the deadline of March 14. Will look at data to determine how proficient they are with their language acquisition.
12. Title I Review what we have done and Plans for Next Year: Susan Antunez
TITLE 1 – Susan Antunez, Liaison

We must close out some Title 1 documents. Although we do not yet know if we are Title One for next school year, we need to prepare next year's Title 1 documents in advance per the requirements.

 1. Review Title 1 Survey results

Mrs. Antunez, Title One Liaison showed the survey results on the screen. Stakeholders in attendance were given many opportunities to comment or ask questions during this presentation. Reviewed questions that had the most negative responses.

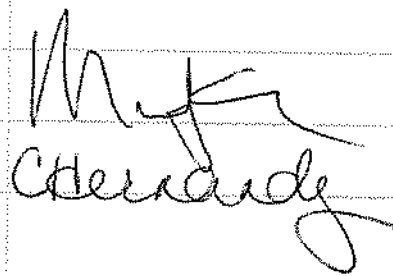
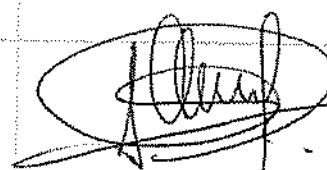
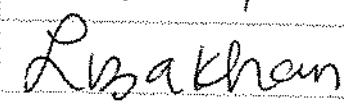
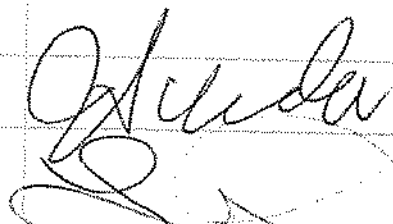
"I often receive info about whether my student moves on to the next grade or not – 12 people disagree. Ms Kahn says that usually this is being spoken about in third grade. Mr Gorde states that he believes that parents are expected to be more hands on regarding their child. Teachers should be contacting parents before the EOY regarding retaining them in same grade level.
 2. Review 2024/2025 and Develop School Parent Compact

The parents and staff had the opportunity to view this year's compact, ask questions, and give feedback. Mr. Gorde states that the compact is very clear. Mrs. Khan stated that the compact was clear and concise, and no revisions were recommended.
 3. Review 2023/2024 and Develop 2025/2026 School Level Parent and Family Engagement Plan

★ SAC Sign in Sheet for Tropical ES (0731)

Date: 4/2/25

Time: 8:30

#	SAC Member Full Name	Position	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Sign Here
1	Bilynsky, Jessica	I-Zone Representative (must be a parent)	Yes	Yes	
2	Colon, Melissa	Parent	No	Yes	
3	Gorde, Scott	Gifted Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
4	Green, Marilyn	SAC Co-Chair	Yes	No	
5	Hernandez, Cheryl	SAC Co-Chair	Yes	Yes	
6	Jany, Sarah	SAF Chair (or designee) Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
7	Jervis, Chevaughn	ESE Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
8	Jose Mollard, Felix	ESOL Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
9	Khan, Liza	Parent	No	Yes	
10	Odom, Geranda	SAC Co-Chair, Teacher	Yes	Yes	
11	Peach, John	Community / Business Representatives	No	No	
12	Schneider, Robert	Principal	Yes	No	
13	Thomas, Liv	BTU Steward (or designee)	Yes	No	

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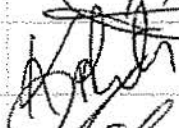
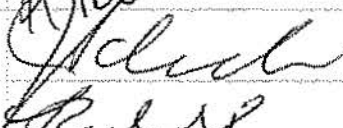



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#	SAC Member Full Name	Position	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Sign Here
14	Villasis, Maria	Non-Instructional Support Employees	Yes	No	
15	Washington, Kimberly	Parent	No	Yes	

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#	Full Name	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Community/Business	Sign Here
1	Teal Mollard		✓		
2	Kristin Petrica		✓		
3	Robert Schuler		✓		
4	Brooke Bandy				
5	Marilyn Green				
6	Liv Thomas		✓		
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Tropical Elementary School
School Advisory Council and School Advisory Forum Joint Meeting

April 2, 2025 8:30 AM

Agenda



1. Welcome and Introductions (meeting began at 8:35 am)
2. Review/approve Minutes from last meeting March 4, 2023 (motion to approve by L. Khan and seconded by Ms. Petrica)
3. Attendance 95.1% Average daily attendance TCC – camp registration for summer will begin on the week of April 7th
4. (Summer Camp (June 9-Aug 1) –Will not be open for pre-planning
5. Budget Update
 - a. Accountability Balance: \$11,293.34
 - b. A+ Funds-approximately \$23,145.36
6. SESIR Update District Total: Incidents as of Nov. 30, 2024 235-August 602-Sept. 774 -October 587-November 488-December 623-January 960-February

Tropical Total-0 (SESIR-incidents that are required to report to the state) (or fight or weapon on campus or assault and battery) numbers are reported on school website

Customer Survey- We need 20% of Parents, 40% of grades 3-5 students, and 60% of staff to complete the customer service this month. We will be sending it weekly and the Tropical Updates for parents to complete. (still short in all above areas-Dr. Brown was sent an email to remind them that they have to take the survey. Was asked to encouraged to take the survey – last day is April 30)
7. Elections for next year- Seeking nominations for SAC Chair/co-chair and Secretary, SAF Chair and Secretary- send nominations to Cheryl.hernandez@browardschools.com. Voting will take place at the May meeting. (info will be posted on Tropical Peeps and school website) parent positions are ELL, ESE, gifted, BTU, and all of the parents to match school demographics)
8. **Principal's Report**

Testing-see schedule below

I-Ready & Science Contest – students are very excited – pizza parties,
BINGO, a variety of prizes – raffle
SCIENCE- same type of rewards/incentives

Summer School - Peters Elementary School- third graders, ESE students
– more info to come about summer school – DHH students will go to
Peters
Ms. Tobacco - Guidance Counselor Nominee

Reassignment window is now open for all grade levels-we want to retain
all our current students and get more. Testing mode (crunch time) now.
Florida Writing assessment for fourth and fifth grade today and
tomorrow, Thursday. Schedule of testing is on school's website.

Hernandez will have updates for SIP, scores for primary grade levels-
May 6th-scores will automatically come in-Hernandez will share scores
at our next SAC meeting on May 6th . Goals will be updated when we
return to school in August because intermediate grades will not receive
scores until the end of May and we do not meet on June. We will have a
Publix night – math/learning instruction (community based instruction).
Trying to do things outside of our school – less structured.

Upcoming Calendar Dates

4/2- SAC Meeting 8:30 a.m.
4/2- Florida Writes Test - Grade 4
4/3- Florida Writes Test- Grade 5
4/7- Assistant Principal Appreciation Week
4/7-15- Book Fair (**ice cream social on 4/15**)
4/7- Field Trip- Grade 2
4/7- Field Trip- Grade 3
4/8- PTA Meeting 8:30 a.m.
4/8- Report Cards Issued
4/9- Awards- Grades 3-5
4/10- Book Fair Evening 5:00 -7:00 p.m.
4/18- No School - Good Friday
4/21- Toucan Store Open

4/22-Grade 2 -Reading

4/23- Grade 2 -Math

4/23- Holocaust Ceremony 9:45 a.m.(5th graders)

4/24- Take Your Child to Work Day (there will be a form sent home where students can fill out)

4/25- DHH Olympics

4/25- Kids of Character Awards 8:45 a.m.

4/28- Safety Patrol Field Trip to Plantation Police Department

4/29- Grade 1 - Reading

4/30-Grade 1- math

4/29- Interim Reports Go Home

4/29- SPIZ Meeting at Seminole MS at 8:45 a.m.

Next Meeting on May 6, 2025

MAXIMO – tracks the service facilities across the district (work orders)