



City Hall Commission Chambers
3650 NE 12 Avenue
Oakland Park, Florida 33334

MINUTES
SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
February 22, 2016, 5:00 P.M

The regular meeting of the School Advisory Board of the City of Oakland Park, Florida was called to order at 5:07 p.m. by Chair Naylor.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Lew Naylor, Chairman
Nathan Cherson, Vice Chairman
Gwendolyn Batic, Board Member
Carla Roundtree, Board Member
Jameson Mercier, Board Member

Also Present:

Heidi Burnett, Staff Liaison
JoeAnn Laura, Secretary

Absent:

Summer Cortes, Student Member

1. Approval of Minutes- September 28, 2015, October 26, 2015 and November 23, 2015

Board Member Batic noted a scrivener error in the September Minutes in item 1 and 2A. Board Member Mercier moved to approve the minutes of 9/28/15 as amended. Board Member Batic seconded the motion. The motion prevailed unanimously.

Board Member Batic noted a scrivener error in the October Minutes in Roll Call. Board Member Roundtree moved to approve the minutes of 10/26/15 as amended. Board Member Batic seconded the motion. The motion prevailed unanimously.

Board Member Batic moved to approve the minutes of 11/23/15. Member Roundtree seconded the motion. The motion prevailed unanimously.

2A. Item added to the agenda- Arts & Cultures Board Presentation

Mitch Rosenwald, Member of the Arts & Cultures Board, along with 3 other members presented on the Public Art Master Plan. The Arts & Cultures Board serves as an advisory to the City of Oakland Park Commission pertaining to art and culture programs and events for the city. There is a city regulation that talks about the inclusion of public art for increased density and as a public amenity. The Arts and Cultures Board is tasked

with reviewing and recommending thoughts about the Master Plan to the City Commission. Along with Kathleen Margoles, Community and economic Development Director of the City of Oakland Park, they are presenting their plans to advisory boards and neighborhood associations within the City of Oakland Park to solicit as much input into the Public Art Plan.

The Arts and Cultures Board presented what components currently exist or are being developed within the city such as; being the only Culinary Arts District in Florida, an Arts and Cultures Board, Cultural events- Polynesian Festival and Oktoberfest, Music on Main street, Art Park with a sculptural display and Mural, along with the Mural at Jaco Pastorious Park.

Viewing public art as a redevelopment strategy, new businesses are coming in along with new facades on existing buildings, looking at how art and enhance the community. The goal is to generate awareness of public art, partner with interested stakeholders, temporary installations, installations at the high traffic areas, as well as citywide public art incorporated with environment friendly infrastructure when possible.

Upcoming installations include an archway over Main Street at the intersection of Oakland Park Blvd and 12th Ave and a connector of Downtown to Jaco Pastorious Park with a fountain. More archways may be added after further discussion. 2016 public art and events will include; Music on Main concert series, Oktoberfest, Pop Art installation, with the goal of creating a sense of place within the entire City of Oakland Park.

Master Plan components that are being presented to the advisory boards and neighborhood associations include; sculptures, murals, utility wraps, performances, and events. Also location of public art include; Art Park, parks, major areas, railroads and entryways. The Arts and Cultures board is asking for input on all components as nothing is definite as of yet.

Topics presented from the School Advisory Board were:

Chairman Naylor asked what input does the Arts and Cultural Board have regarding projects and is the Arts and Cultures Board a driver? Mr. Rosenwald informed Chairman Naylor that the Arts and Cultures Board reviews and recommendations to the city are concurrent with the developmental review community plans of the project and they do provide written recommendation, facilitated by Kathleen Margoles.

Chairman Naylor suggested Dillon Tennis Center as a location for installation of public art. He also discussed Northeast High School that will be installing some announcement boards and changing the main entrance of the school with bond money that was received. He also suggested that they speak with the students in student government to collect additional input.

Board Liaison Burnett mentioned partnering with the schools to have the bridges and walkways within the city painted like those seen in Wilton Manors.

Board Member Mercier mentioned the parks, specifically the Bark Park could use some installations. Asked if the county parks are included within the plan, Mr. Rosenwald informed him that along with Kathleen Margoles there are current collaborations with

the county and they anticipate future collaborations as the projects continue.

Board Member Batic mentioned that the public art plan seem to be localized in Downtown Oakland Park, asked if are there and plans for any installations located in the outlying west areas of the city and how they are going to be connected to Downtown. The Arts and Cultures Board informed her that this has been a topic of discussion how the focus has been on the Culinary Arts District in downtown and when will it be spread throughout the city. Already starting to happen, redevelopment of the parking lot along the strips of shops located at Prospect and Andrews, discussion of what to wrap the utility boxes with. Reaching out to the Neighborhood Association of the west areas of the city to discuss what they would like to see, which part of the process is now. Board Member Batic did mention that new entryways have been installed and would like the Arts and Cultures Board to not forget the West side. Mr. Rosenwald mentioned that a theme may be developed to appear throughout the city.

Chairman Naylor asked if a brand of some sort is being discussed at all, so that when someone is driving through the city knows that they are in Oakland Park. Mr. Rosenwald informed the board that the topic is being discussed, but they have yet to develop something specific as of yet as they are in the needs assessment and data collection phase currently.

Liaison Burnett discussed the Downtown Connector Project at the South entrance of Jaco Pastorius Park connecting our Downtown area into the park and give people a flow of movement between the two areas. The idea is to have elements in the fountain to link it to Oakland Park.

Mural unveiling at the Ark Park will be next Monday February 29, 2016 at 3:30pm to include the children of the afterschool program who helped create the mural in attendance.

Notes will be discussed at the next Arts and Cultures Board meeting.

2. Public Comments

At this time any person will be allowed to speak on any matter that pertains to City business for a length of time not to exceed four minutes per person.

None

3. Items to be considered- Wild West Youth Day 2016 Participation

Staff Liaison Burnett mentioned the board's participation in last year's Youth Day which was a booth with information from our schools along with a few board members present, as community outreach. Each member would be asked to go to the school they represent and bring back brochures or information they'd like to share with the community. Chair Naylor asked who was available; Chair Naylor will be there, Member Roundtree will participate for a few hours, Batic will not be able to participate, Member Mercier may be able to participate.

Chairman Naylor deemed it was time well spent, and welcomes members to stop by.

4. Staff Liaison report

Staff Liaison Burnett Reported:

- 1) Saturday March 5, 2016 is the 59th annual Youth Day, a celebration for children in the City of Oakland Park. It begins with a parade ending at Wimberly with field events and ends with fireworks.
- 2) School's participation in Youth Day include; Rickards Middle with a Band and Marching Band entries in the parade, North Andrews are performing on the field during the afternoon, the Grand Marshall Carol Fonda is a retired teacher who taught at Floranada Elementary for 40 years, Floranada will also have a parade entry. Anticipating Northeast High school to have the Marching Band in the parade and waiting to hear from Lloyd Estates regarding their participation.
- 3) Youth Day parade is the longest continuously running parade in Broward County.
- 4) Partnership Breakfast at the end of February was a hit. Looking to increase attendance and would like members to think of additional people to invite, suggested PTA Presidents, St. Marks, or other private schools within Oakland Park, other Civic Groups such as Rotary or Kiwanis, Business groups, Children's Arts groups as Singing Sons or Dance Dimensions. Asking that any suggestions be emailed to her.
- 5) Student of the Quarter is being planned. Chair Naylor asked if any assistance was needed and Staff Liaison Burnett will email him if necessary.
- 6) Attended a Martin Luther King Event at Rickard Middle School, day of service where they installed some butterfly gardens partnered with Home Depot.
- 7) Attended Northeast High Schools Career and College Day.

5. Member Reports

Member Roundtree reported on Rickards Middle School:

- 1) Participating in the middle school debate program taking 1st and 2nd place.
 - 2) Flag football season has begun.
 - 3) Saturday Academic Success has over 150 students participating.
 - 4) Health & Wellness has been initiated thanks to Kappa Alfa and Home Depot.
- Chair Naylor asked about the Garden Project and Member Roundtree will receive an update from Principal Collado.

Member Cherson reported on Floranada Elementary School:

- 1) Achieved an "A" grade.
- 2) In the last SAC meeting, there was accreditation training on standard 1 and 2. Standard 1 discussed purpose and direction, Star 360, RTI Team are used for student success and how to measure that. Standard 2 discussed government and leadership, which covers the role SAC plays in school function and establishing support.
- 3) They held a business partner breakfast which overlaps with the PTA event called Las Vegas Night being held on March 12th, 2016 being held at the Jaguar dealership. The event invites 250 people and serves as a fundraiser involving 3 hours of gambling.
- 4) The computers were delivered on February 3, 2016, now each classroom for grades K-4 have 6 computers and each classroom for grade 5 have 8 computers.
- 5) The official writing test, mock test was February 9, 2016 and the actual test will be on

March 1, 2016. Also Floranada Day was held and was successful.

Member Mercier reported on Lloyd Estates Elementary School:

- 1) Last SAC meeting was cancelled due to weather.
- 2) Construction is progressing in front of the school, the completion date is unknown, with the rain the area has been very messy. The paving of some streets has begun.
- 3) School improvement plan current numbers are 35% proficiency, 65% are below. The school has a large Hispanic and Haitian minority, so they have started an ESOL camp, which is an 11 week camp to help raise the percentage of children that are proficient.
- 4) The school is officially a "D" school.
- 5) Computers and iPads have been delivered which will hopefully improve the grade.

Chairman Naylor thanked Mr. John Perez for his efforts regarding the construction. He has contacted Mayor Lonergan about the issue of the construction. Mr. Perez understands the need to complete and has stressed the dangers involved.

Member Batie reported on Oakland Park Elementary School:

- 1) SAC meeting on February 17th, where they have more staff than parent involved, still trying to get more parent involvement.
- 2) They are trying to redesign their safety drills because they realized that they were not going far enough away.
- 3) They have started an Elopement Plan which addresses children who are missing from school and they cannot find them, emergency plans are being made to locate them quickly.
- 4) Best Practices for Inclusive Education (B-Pic), goal to decrease the time that special education children are in special education classes and increase the time they spend in regular setting.
- 5) They are a Title 1 school so this week they are having a celebration of learning, encouraging the parents to come, having dinner served to them by Garlic Knot.
- 6) Before and After School Quality Standards Assessment, BASCC, identified as high in three areas; leadership, interacting with students, and leadership, overall exemplary. That program is ran by the YMCA.
- 7) The schools grade is officially a "D", however the test is new and teaching programs are new.
- 8) They have increased their tutorial camp days to two days a week. 5th grade now tests on a computer.
- 9) They are continuing to train teachers and parents on the new methods of teaching.
- 10) The school is receiving 200 new computers with the bond money, switching from apple to pc. They are partnering with the University of Washington on a project to improve student achievement.

Chairman Naylor asked if they were thinking of changing the times that SAC meets to increase parent involvement, Member Batie will address with Principal Garcia.

Chair Naylor reported about North Andrews Gardens Elementary School:

- 1) The last SAC meeting was canceled due to lack of quorum.
- 2) The official grade of the school was a "C".

Chairman Naylor reported on Northeast High School:

- 1) The school held their Magnet Open House, which was well attended. 300 to 400 students are from outside the boundary. Bio Technology and Alternative Energy will be added next year.
- 2) The school is 150 students under enrolled.
- 3) On February 17, 2016 they had their college and career fair which was a great success, over 80 business and schools in attendance. Each English class was brought to the fair and was great exposure for the students.
- 4) Northeast was unable to get a grade due to lack of enough students to take the test, causing the school to be penalized. Suggested they need to update Parent Link to make entertaining to make sure they address the attendance issue.
- 5) The state no longer counts learning gains towards the grade of the schools, which is causing the lower grades across all schools.
- 6) SAT/ACT prep classes are being offered.
- 7) SAC team developed list of items to be purchased with bond money, a ballot was developed from that list and is being sent out to the community to vote on what they want. The goal was to entice the community input and involvement.
- 8) The girl's basketball team won the semifinals in Lakeland, FL and played in state finals, tied in the 3rd quarter and ended up losing, but it was the furthest the Northeast team has ever gone. They have three seniors who received basketball scholarships.

6. Other Business/Next Meeting April 28, 2016

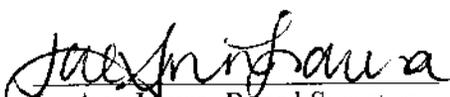
Mr. Charles Webster asked Chairman Naylor if we would like to have a presentation from the Broward Education Foundation on some of their initiatives. Member Batie agreed that would be a good idea and would help with city sponsored scholarships. Vice Chair Cherson requested to invite local principals. Naylor will coordinate along with Mr. Webster and Liaison Burnett.

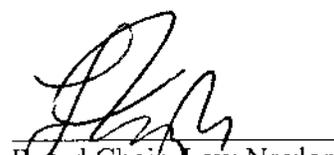
Portable Wi-Fi in a bus is available, as a hotspot that drives around the community which could really make a difference to some students. Member Batie asked if a grant was used to get the bus, which Chairman Naylor said he will look for in the article where he learned of the bus.

Vice Chair Cherson asked if we know what percentage of the students in each school have free lunch in the title 1 program, Oakland Park has 100%, Lloyd Estates has 100%, and Floranada has 54%.

7. ADJOURN

Vice Chair Cherson motioned to adjourn, prevailed unanimously, meeting adjourned at 6:29pm.


JocAnn Laura, Board Secretary


Board Chair, Lew Naylor