MINUTES

Florida Atlantic University Schools Advisory Body Wednesday, February 10, 2010 5:35pm – 6:30 pm A.D. Henderson University School Media Center College of Education, Florida Atlantic University

I. Call to Order/ Approval of Agenda

Call to order made by Ms. Daphne Smolka at 5:35 pm.

Motion – Motion by Mr. Tom Ievoli to approve the Agenda

Second – Seconded by Dr. Patricia Hodge

Unanimous Approval

II. Welcome

Ms. Daphne Smolka, Vice Chair

Ms. Smolka introduced Mr. Nicholas Yonezawa, the Student Government President for FAU High School. She also acknowledged Dr. Valerie Bristor, Dean of the College of Education.

Ms. Smolka welcomed all the members of the Advisory Body. Members who were present:

Ms. Kris Moser – At-Large Parent Representative

Dr. Patricia Hodge – Principal/Director

Dr. Deborah Shepherd – College of Education, Dean's Office Representative

Ms. Tracie Nieporte - Elementary Parent Representative

Mr. Marc Hopin – Secondary Parent Representative

Ms. Daphne Smolka – At-Large Parent Representative

Ms. Robin Barkes – Elementary Faculty Representative

Mr. Nicholas Yonezawa – Student Representative

Mr. Tom Ievoli – Secondary Faculty Representative

Members who were not present:

Ms. Cynthia Morani - Business/Community Citizen, Chair (Excused)

Dr. Barbara Ridener – FAU Faculty Member (Excused)

Ms. Gina Dunne – Staff Representative (Unexcused)

Mr. Fred Platt – Business/Community Citizen (Unexcused)

Ms. Emma del Real – Business/Community Citizen (Excused)

Others Present:

Mr. Glenn Thomas – Assistant Dean, Pk-12 Schools and Educational Programs

Ms. Kristina Cornwell – Recording Secretary

Ms. Allyn Margolies – Recording Secretary

III. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Daphne Smolka, Vice Chair

Ms. Barkes noted a grammatical error.

Motion – Motion made by Ms. Robin Barkes to approve the January 13th minutes as amended

Second – Seconded by Ms. Kris Moser Unanimous Approval

IV. Recognitions and Awards

Ms. Daphne Smolka, Vice Chair

Dr. Patricia Hodge reported recognitions during the Principal/ Director's Report.

V. Principal / Director's Report

Dr. Patricia Hodge, Principal/Director

- a. Dr. Patricia Hodge informed the School Advisory Body of the following recognitions and awards presented to various students of A. D. Henderson University School and FAU High School.
 - 1. Science Fair:

1st Place - Botany, High School: Luizetta Navrazhnykh

3rd Place - Environmental Science, High School: Nirthieca Suthakaran

3rd Place - Botany, High School: Fareen Hossain

3rd Place - Behavioral and Social Sciences, Junior Division: Miranda Harris

4th Place - Medicine and Health, Junior Division: Vanessa Peralta

2. Regional Solo/Ensemble Competition:

Alex Crossley

Christian Corbett

Savannah Warner

Lizzy D'Avila

Liberty Boyd

Melissa Mendez

Maria Mecoli

Alexis Mendez

Mandee Hahamoff

3. National Merit Scholarship Program – 2010 Finalists

Danielle M. Howard

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b. FCAT testing was completed on February 2nd. The results will be provided at a later Advisory Body meeting.

PTO Report

Ms. Kris Moser, Parent Representative

- 1. Ms. Moser reported the events that have already been held were successful and the PTO is looking forward to future events such as the Father's Day breakfast with the kindergarten class and the basketball game in March with Boca Raton High School.
- 2. There will be a silent auction held on April 30th in the Baldwin House.

VIII. Action Items

Ms. Daphne Smolka, Vice Chair

None

IX. Discussion Items

Ms. Daphne Smolka, Vice Chair

Education Committee –

- 1. Dr. Hodge distributed the surveys for grades K-2 and 3-9. She also distributed the faculty school climate survey and the parent survey. Members reviewed each survey and discussed. Dr. Hodge answered questions from the members.
- 2. Mr. Yonezawa asked if there was a high school survey. Dr. Hodge informed the Advisory Body that a high school survey is currently being drafted.

- 3. Various incentives were discussed to promote completion and return of surveys by required deadline dates. Results from the surveys will be reviewed at the April committee meeting.
- 4. Dr. Hodge distributed the demographic information of students which was charted by grade and gender. She reviewed the data with the members. Mr Hopin expressed concern for the Hispanic representation in the Kindergarten class.
- 5. Dr. Hodge stated Assistant Principal Brenda Cummings is putting together a list of research studies currently being undertaken by the school. Members discussed current and past research projects.

Finance Committee -

- 1. Mr. Hopin distributed and briefly explained the current report for the Henderson and FAU High School budget.
- 2. Mr. Thomas informed the Advisory Body that the stimulus money will avoid foreseen budget cuts for the upcoming school year.
- 3. The new building is progressing on time. The construction company extended an invitation the members to view the layout once the foundation was complete.

Personnel Committee –

Nothing current to report

X. Old Business

Ms. Daphne Smolka, Vice Chair

None

XI. Public Comment

Ms. Daphne Smolka, Vice Chair

None

XII. Announcement, Communications and Comments Ms. Daphne Smolka, Vice Chair Mr. Thomas distributed flyers for the Environmental Education Youth Conservation Camp.

XIII. Adjournment

Ms. Daphne Smolka, Vice Chair

Request for meeting to be adjourned at 6:30pm

Motion – Motion made by Mr. Marc Hopin to adjourn the meeting

Second – Seconded by Mr. Tom Ievoli

Unanimous Approval