



RCMA Special School Board Meeting (Online Only)
July 27, 2022
2:00PM – 3PM



Virtual:

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MINUTES

Attendance				
	Board Members-At-Large	Present	Absent	Staff Present Online
1.	Bayer, Michael T.	E-Present		Brown, Juana
2.	Bizerra, Susanne A.		X	Flores, Gilbert
3.	Dowling, Aedan J.	E-Present		Garcia, Isabel
4.	Gaffney, Donna	E-Present		Haggett, Mark
5.	Higgins, Dani	E-Present		Maldonado, Elizabeth
6.	Hightower, Sandra	E-Present		Navarro, Richard
7.	Hinson, Al. J.	E-Present		Quintero, Zulaika
8.	Kendrick, Gloria		X	Sepulveda, Catalina
9.	Kirk, Steven	E-Present		Vega, Kathy
10.	Krome, Medora	E-Present		
11.	Miles-Adams, Linda	E-Present		
12.	Negrini, Mirta		X	
13.	Perez, Joaquin		X	
14.	Pringle, Richard		X	
15.	Robles de Melendez, Wilma	E-Present		
16.	Rollason, Barbara Mainster	E-Present		
17.	Salustro, Larry	E-Present		
18.	Tighe, Sonia	E-Present		
19.	Vallejo, Ansberto		X	
20.	Weisinger, Jaime		X	

1) Meeting Opening

a. Roll Call

Roll call was conducted by Elizabeth Maldonado. A quorum was reached.

b. Call to Order/Opening Remarks

Linda Miles-Adams, Vice-President, called the meeting to order. The meeting began at 2:06 p.m.

c. Call For Public Comment

Linda Miles-Adams made a call for public comment. No public comments were made.

2) Consent Agenda – Meeting Minutes

a. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Motion: Medora Krome made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Sonia Tighe seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

3) Charter School Committee Report – Linda Miles-Adams/Juana Brown

a. Mental Health Assistance Allocation (MHAA) Plans

Mark Haggett provided an overview of the MHAA plan for Wimauma Community Academy (WCA). The plan included variety of components including goals and assessments. Mark shared a goal in the plan: social emotional support through Second Step to all scholars. Along with a budget allotment for the MHAA plan.

Motion: Barbara Mainster Rollason made a motion to approve the MHAA plan for WCA as presented. Medora Krome seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Zulaika Quintero provided an overview of the MHAA plan for Immokalee Community Academy (ICA), sharing that there were no changes to the plan presented from last year to this year.

Motion: Sandra Hightower made a motion to approve the MHAA plan for ICA as presented. Medora Krome seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

b. Schools of Hope Budgets and Narrative

Juana Brown acknowledged a new Charter School team member, Dani Higgins. Dani will begin her new role in August as a Principal-in-Residence for the Mulberry Community Academy.

Juana provided an overview of the schools of hope extensive budget covering approximately eight years with the budget plan beginning in 2023. The budget was submitted to the Department of Education along with a narrative that explains the expenses. Juana stated the plan of enrollment will incrementally grow the number of students year after year. Adding a grade level every year until full capacity in year 2028-2029 with 320 students. A discussion ensued.

Motion: Barbara Mainster Rollason made a motion to approve the Schools of Hope Budgets and Narrative. Larry Salustro seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

c. School Grades (FSA)

Juana Brown shared positive news of a successful school year at Wimauma Community Academy and Immokalee Community Academy. Principals, Mark Haggett and Zulaika Quintero, shared verbal successes and highlights at both of their academy's. Larry Salustro shared his personal experience during his visit at WCA. Barbara Mainster Rollason suggested writing special note cards to recognize teachers in action. Mark Haggett will provide the Board with names. Isabel Garcia invited all Board members to take a tour of our RCMA schools.

d. Other

Charter School Committee Chair

Linda Miles-Adams shared an exciting moment that happened in July with an RCMA partnership, Berkeley Preparatory School in Tampa, through a summer program that supports high achieving, low-income students. Mark Haggett also shared and Juana Brown thanked Linda for paving the way with the partnership.

4) General Discussion

a. Mulberry Capital Campaign

Linda Miles-Adams provided a brief overview around the work of the Steering Committee and Carter. Board members to expect contact from the Steering Committee to share an update of the Mulberry Campaign, take any on-going questions and share the

current FAQ sheet. In addition, Gilbert Flores stated that the Mulberry property loan has been paid off as of last week.

- b. **Sports Cover**
Gloria Moorman shared an update on the covered sports court at Wimauma Community Academy. Project is scheduled to move forward with a secure grant and additional gifts to cover funds.
 - c. **Financial Audit Report Update**
Gilbert Flores provided an update of where RCMA currently stands with the financial audit, along off-site meeting dates.
 - d. **Other**
Michael T. Bayer made a request for Juana, Mark and Zulaika to present at the next meeting a summary of the security procedures and status at WCA and ICA.
- 5) **Other**
- a. **2022-2023 Capital Outlay Reports**
Pamela Way provided a brief overview of the capital outlay allocations for WCA and ICA for the upcoming school year.

Motion: Barbara Mainster Rollason made a motion to approve the 2022-2023 Capital Outlay report for Wimauma Community Academy. Michael T. Bayer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Sonia Tighe made a motion to approve the 2022-2023 Capital Outlay report for Immokalee Community Academy. Sandra Hightower seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 6) **Closing**
 - a. **Adjournment**

Medora Krome reminded all Board members to send in in-kind forms.
The meeting was adjourned at 3:04 p.m.

Motion: Medora Krome made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sonia Tighe seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Maldonado
Executive Administrative Manager