CITY OF DELRAY BEACH
EDUCATION BOARD MINUTES
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100 NW 1ˢᵗ Avenue
Delray Beach, FL 33444

Monday, January 8th, 2024,   **5:30 p.m.**   **City Hall, 100 NW 1ˢᵗ Avenue**

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Dr. Raiko Knight, at 5:35 pm

2. ROLL CALL

Present:
Angelica Nevin **(absent)**
Anitra Grant-Straughn
Anneze Barthelemy
Barbara Stark **(absent)**
Joan Dorow
Kae Jonsons
Kendra Williams
Marjorie Waldo
Raiko Knight

Staff present:
Janai Bowens, Education and Workforce Coordinator / Board Liaison
Lawonda Warren, Assistant City Attorney

Roll was called and quorum was present.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by **Marjorie Waldo** for approval of the agenda **& Joan Dorow seconded**.
All in favor – none opposed, **motion passed unanimously**.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (11/06/2023 and 12/4/23)

Motion made **by Marjorie Waldo** for approval of November minutes and **Kae Jonsons seconded.** All in favor **–** none opposed, **motion passed unanimously.**

Motion made **by Marjorie Waldo** for approval of December minutes with amendments and **Kae Jonsons seconded.** All in favor **–** none opposed, **motion passed unanimously.**

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5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA & NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Lucika Suarez, 115 SW 11th Avenue, stated that Florida Department of Education changed their standards which influenced student performance data due to a lack of baseline data. She also stated that parents and students would benefit from incentives to generate more parental involvement.

6. PRESENTATIONS
   NONE

7. OLD BUSINES
   NONE

8.   NEW BUSINESS

FY'24 Delray Beach Education Data

Janai introduced the FY'24 Delray Beach Education Data which includes socioeconomic status of students residing within the City of Delray Beach, student geographic data, public school grade ratings, student enrollment data, Delray Full-Service Center enrollment data, SY'22-23 Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) assessment data, End of Course (EOC) assessment data, Kindergarten Readiness data, high school graduation rates, and attendance and discipline data. **Janai** explained that each data set was broken into subgroups. **Janai** also explained that the attendance and discipline data included students with chronic absences and both out of school and in school suspensions.

QUESTIONS/ COMMENTS / DISCUSSION

Board discussion ensued regarding each data set, its implications and impact.

Kendra asked how free and reduced lunched data was calculated. **Janai** clarified that the School District of Palm Beach County utilizes the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) to calculate eligible students.

Joan asked what initiatives can be implemented to help schools increase parental engagement and visibility. **Anneze** stated that the School District of Palm Beach County offers services and resources for parents and students relating to different topics. **Raiko** questioned whether the parent events are scheduled during working hours and how they can become more accessible (i.e. virtual) for working parents and students.

Marjorie questioned the calculation of student percentages and whether the graduation rates included certificates of completion.

Raiko questioned comparative discipline data for each subgroup and its calculation.

Board discussion ensued regarding attendance and discipline systems and whether discipline policies are aligned with the School District of Palm Beach County's discipline matrix.

Board discussed analyzing the data further to determine areas of focus for annual strategic planning.

Motion made by **Marjorie Waldo** to compile five-year trend data for 3rd grade ELA and Math, 8th grade ELA and Math, and 10th grade ELA and Algebra EOC, seconded by **Kae Jonsons.** All in favor, none opposed**- motion passed unanimously.**

2024 Education Board Ordinance and Initiatives

Motion made by **Marjorie Waldo** to have item tabled to a future meeting agenda**, seconded by Kae Jonsons.** All in favor, none opposed**- motion passed unanimously.**

9.　　**COMMENTS**

Board Comments

Raiko stated she attended School Board member Edwin Ferguson's town hall meeting held at Delray Full-Service Center. She indicated that a program model was discussed that would provide programming similar to Atlantic Technical College.

Kae asked if Rob Evans, Economic Development Manager, can attend a meeting to discuss economic and workforce initiatives.

Board Consensus was made to have Rob Evans develop a staff report.

Motion made by **Marjorie Waldo** to reopen public comments, **seconded by Joan Dorow.** All in favor, none opposed**- motion passed unanimously.**

Staff Comments

Janai provided updates concerning education and workforce initiatives. She stated she is planning a Youth in Government Day in collaboration with the Achievement Center to expose students to local government and systems. She also stated she is working with the Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce to host an Automotive Industry Tour for students

from Atlantic High School, Village Academy, Park Vista High School, and Seminole Ridge High School.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn was made **by Marjorie Waldo**, **seconded by Anneze Barthelemy.**
All in favor – none oppose – motion passed unanimously*. meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm.*

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Board Liaison   Date

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Board Chair   Date