

FL-SAC General meeting

Osceola School Administration Building, School Board Room, 817 Bill Beck Blvd. Kissimmee, FL from 9 AM – 3:30 PM

September 29, 2001 minutes

SIGN-IN:

Dwayne Mundy, Theresa McCormick, Nina Camp, Linda Green, Kathleen Del Monte, Don Goodall, Carl Durnberg, David Miner, Eula West-Vandergriff,, Karen Tate

1. GENERAL MEETING:

- a. Nominations for Board of Directors:
 - i. Dwayne Mundy = President
 - ii. Nina Camp – Vice-President of Legislative Affairs
 - iii. Theresa McCormick= Vice-President Communications
 - iv. Secretary – Linda Green
 - v. Treasurer – Carl Durnberg
 - vi. Parliamentary - Eula West-Vandergriff (Appointed)
 - vii. Area Directors
 1. Region 1- Marvin Pawless
 2. Region 2 - Open
 3. Region 3 – Mary Cool
 4. Region 4 – Dave Miner
 5. Region 5 - Carl Durnberg

Carl Durnberg motioned to close nominations and call a vote to accept nominations as presented for 2001-2002 FL-SAC board of directors. Linda Greene seconded. Motion accepted unanimously.

2. BYLAWS: The following amendments were presented.

- a. ARTICLE V: MEETINGS/ Section 1: Annual Meetings:

OLD: The Florida Association of School Advisory Councils shall meet regularly once each year.
NEW: The Florida Association of School Advisory Councils shall meet annually in the fall of each year.
- b. ARTICLE V: MEETINGS/ Section 3: Notice of Meetings

OLD: All meetings must be scheduled and advertised in advance. Council members must be advised of a change in the established date, time or location.
NEW: All meetings must be scheduled and advertised at least one month in advance with a subsequent follow up notice. Association members must be advised of a change in the established date, time or location.
- c. ARTICLE V: MEETINGS/ Section 4: Quorum

OLD -“A quorum necessary for the transaction of the business of the Florida Association of School Advisory Councils consists of at least ten members present at the meeting.”
NEW: A quorum necessary for the transaction of the business by the membership at a meeting of the Florida Association of School Advisory Councils shall consist of whatever number of members are present at a meeting, provided that there are at least 3 officers present.
- d. ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS/ Section 3: Election and Term of Office

OLD: “The officers of the Florida Association of School Advisory Councils shall be elected annually at the June meeting, which shall be known as the Annual Meeting. The term shall be from July 1 to June 30 of the following year. No elected officer shall serve more than two consecutive terms in any one position.” :
NEW: “The officers of the Florida Association of School Advisory Councils shall be elected at the annual meeting.
- e. ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS/ Section 11: Area Governors

OLD: Area Governors shall be responsible for specific demographic areas of Florida and will perform all duties given in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws
NEW: Area Governors shall be responsible and reside in their DOE regional areas of Florida and will perform all duties given in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws.

Theresa motioned to accept the above 5 amendments as written, Karen Tate seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

f. ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENTS

Thirty days notice of any proposed by-laws amendments shall be given to the membership. A majority affirmative vote of the members, **who reply to the proposed bylaw changes within 2 weeks of notification via email or attend a meeting** of the Florida Association of School Advisory Councils, is necessary to amend the by-laws. The by-laws shall be reviewed every two years.

Nina motioned, Don seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3. **BYLAWS COMMITTEE:** A committee was formed to review the bylaws for problem areas that would prevent FL-SAC from growth or other potential shortcomings written into the present bylaws. Dave Miner, Theresa McCormick, and Eula West-Vandergriff will review the bylaws and submit recommended changes to FL-SAC via email.
4. **FAPE (Florida Partners in education conference – Feb. 27-March 1)**
Linda Greene motioned for FL-SAC to be presenters at the FAPE. Dave seconded, motion carried unanimously.
5. **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**
In research and forming the paperwork to become nonprofit, (501C3 charitable organization), Dave advised FL-SAC that FL-SAC needed to revise bylaw language that addressed legislation. There may be possible conflict of interest in obtaining status as a non-charitable organization since we address legislation in our bylaws, through board of director titles, and our goals, and visions of this organization. FL-SAC decided to form a committee to study and then make recommendations to FL-SAC.

Dave motioned, Nina seconded, to authorize Dwayne & Theresa to sign as subscribers to the articles of incorporation of the FL-SAC as presented and file them with the secretary of state to incorporate FL-SAC. This motion was discussed. The area of concern was the legislative language that would need to be taken out of our bylaws. It was felt that part of FL-SAC goals was the ability to effect legislation, not legislator and politics. Motion was tabled by motion from Linda Green, seconded; vote called with 9 votes for and one dissenting vote from Dave Miner.
6. **KATHLEEN DEL MONTE's STUDY OF SACs IN A LARGE FL COUNTY**
Kathleen presented an overview using a PowerPoint presentation of her work on her doctorate thesis. Kathleen surveyed middle school level SACs in a large Florida county. This survey will help SACs be more productive by showing where training or instruction needs to be concentrated on. Carl told the committee that 2 other college people were also doing a survey/thesis on SACs in Miami-Dade County. Presently there have been no analysis, nor evaluation on the effectiveness of SACs or the law that directs SACs. FL-SAC would like Kathleen to revisit FL-SAC after completion of her thesis for more details. Change will only occur with data to support suggested changes. FL-SAC agrees that change is needed and that most SACs are prevented from doing what the law asks of SACs.
7. **CARL DURNBERG** presented a new technology for students called the vSlate. Two models were presented for a “hands on” look at a way to give every student a complete curriculum of books, and other tools in one device. This is still in the development stage with work continuing with publishers to obtain a complete curriculum for all grade levels. This curriculum could lower book costs. A complete curriculum could be bought at a price of between \$2 to \$12. Some of my notes on the abilities of the vSlate include: keyboard touch screen, audio reading, planner, calendar, email, dictionary, ability to bookmark, hyperlink, calculator, assignments, supplemental material downloads, policies, events, assignments, word editor, note taking ability, make-up tests, word find, testing, browser, library books, textbook, notebook, etc...parent pin number for parent teacher communication, teacher-student contact, automatic test results, name of student for student on the vSlate. Wireless transmission inside the school. Bilingual. Bullet proof, droppable from 7 ft. Very durable. Long battery life, no refresh rate through colisteric Screen Technology, touch screen, zoom display, multiple font sizing. USB port: keyboard interface, printer interface, and modem plug connection.
8. **DWAYNE MUNDY** presented a brief overview of an environmental package on “how to’s” for schools with environmental laws. The package is named, “How you can help protect the environment in your school.” Some examples include even mold and safe water. Because of the lack of time, we were not able to completely review this valuable resource.

Meeting Adjourned at 4 p.m.
Theresa McCormick