

Gulf Beach Elementary Magnet School  
Center for Innovation and Digital Learning  
School Advisory Council Meeting  
February 15, 2017  
6 p.m.

Minutes

Call to Order 6:11 p.m.  
Welcome and Agenda Overview

Introductions & Attendance to reach Quorum:  
Robert Kalach, Mercy Roberg, Ruth Kisco, Treena Hoaglan, Heather Gimenez, Eliza Suerte, Tonya Elmore, Mitchell Carney

Motion to approve January 2017 minutes with the addition of attendance/time/location.  
Motion seconded and approved.

Review of September 2016 and October 2016 minutes.  
Motion to Approve October 2016 minutes, seconded and approved.

Principal's Report  
Mr. Kalach asked the committee to start recruiting for 2017/18 membership, we will hold elections at the April meeting for chair, co-chair and secretary.

Heather Gimenez asked Mr. Kalach about the 5<sup>th</sup> grader's exiting GBMES, does Mr. Kalach get lottery results in regard to where the 5<sup>th</sup> grader's end up attending? Mr. Kalach stated the district gets the results, but his knowledge comes primarily from parents letting him know where the 5<sup>th</sup> graders are heading. GBMES had 200+ on the waitlist this year to enter GBMES..

Middle school is still a big topic amongst parents. Many GBMES students are heading to Tyrone Middle school and other programs. Mr. Carney spoke to the success of his student at the Tyrone Middle School Magnet School.

Discussion surrounding the TBT article on music and PE testing. The article addressed high-stakes testing. The FL Legislature is looking at reducing high-stakes testing. MAPS testing is a national norm-referenced test that GBMES administers. Discussion also occurred around "coding" as another language, nothing yet from PCSB district on this.

Recess continues to be a hot topic and almost on every tour of the school potential parents raise the question.

Ms. Jensen will be updating the school's website while Ms. Piland is out on leave.

Mr. Kalach brought up the need for parent education on:

Balanced lunches

At Home devices – parents need to ensure there are parental controls, device should be turned off at school, and general discussions involving cyber-security.

Heather informed the group of a new show on Discovery Channel that was filmed in the Tampa Bay area, called Street Science.

Treena brought information regarding the Promising Pathways Conference-free to teachers and parents, you can register here. She has attended in the past and found it extremely beneficial. The date is April 8, 2017.

<http://fgcu.edu/events/promisingpathways/>

FSA Parent Night is February 22, 2017 at GBMES

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Next Meeting Date

March 22, 2017 6 p.m