

# **Board of Directors Minutes**

## **Everglades Preparatory Academy**

**January 18, 2023**

The Everglades Preparatory Academy Board of Directors met at 2:00 p.m. on January 18, 2023, in person meeting, 360 east Main Street Building C, Pahokee, Florida 33476.

Members in attendance were:

### Board Members

X Emilia Fanjul  
X Joseph Galardi  
\_ Jaime Holland (Via phone)  
X Maureen Johnston  
X Christopher McDermott  
X Charles Shaw  
\_ Vivian White (Via phone)  
\_ Leigh Woodham (Absent)

### Staff

X Linda Johnson Earsley  
X Sheila Bynes  
X Julie Stewart

### Also, in attendance

X Ralph Arza, Arza Consultant  
\_ Lesa Hamilton (Via phone)  
Senior Financial Analyst  
Eduserve Solutions

Board Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Emilia Fanjul, Board Chair at 2:09 p.m.

Public Comment- There were no public comments.

### Approval of Minutes from November 8, 2023:

Charles Shaw made the motion. Christopher McDermott seconded the motion to approve November 8, 2023, minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes Approved  
 Minutes Not Approved  
 Corrections/Changes: None

### **Agenda:**

- a. The Agenda was presented and reviewed by the Board.

Reports:

### **A. Chairperson – Emilia Fanjul**

1. Board Treasurer/Secretary
2. Glades Academy Foundation, Inc. Dinner

3. One-time Employee 1<sup>st</sup> Semester Performance Bonus

**B. Principal's Report**

1. Enrollment – 135 students
2. Attendance - weekly attendance percentage: 71%
3. FTE week: February 6-10, 2023
4. 11 Day count: January 27-February 10, 2023
5. FY23 Referendum Expenditure Plan (FINAL)
6. Graduation- May 24, 2023 @ 4;30pm. Location: Eddie Lee Rhodes Gymnasium Pahokee Fl.
7. Grants:
  - ESSER II Supplemental Programming
  - ARP-IDEA Part B Supplemental Funds
  - ARP ESSER III Instructional Materials
  - ESSER Targeted Mathematics Grants and STEM Experiential Activities Program
  - ESSER III Intensive Afterschool and Weekend Academies
  - ARP ESSER III Supplemental Programming
8. Graduation Rate:

FY16-FY22 Federal Graduation Rates for Palm Beach Charter Schools  
 School: 3398 EVERGLADES PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Year	Graduation Rates	(1) Year Change	(5) Year
FY16	25%	41.7	61.4
FY17	43.5%		
FY18	22.2%		
FY19	44.7%		
FY20	86.4%		
FY21	93.5%	7.1	50.0
FY22	81.5%	-12.0	59.3

**C. Assistant Principal – Julie Stewart**

**Testing schedule- FSA, F.A.S.T., ACT and SAT update(s)**

**FAST Reading and Math Continues until January 27th**

- 8th-10th Grade Students- Conducting Make- Ups

**Science Diagnostics**

- 8th Grade Students Only

**ACT Testing**

- Juniors and Seniors
- ACT Waivers
- February 11th- Glades Central, Pahokee, Seminole Ridge, and Clewiston High

**SAT Testing**

- Registration Deadline- February 10th
- Test Date- March 11th
- SAT Waivers- Juniors and Seniors

- **Progress Monitoring 2 Data was Shared for Reading and Math (grades 8-10)**
  - Student attendance is impacting student achievement.
  - Tutors are needed to support intensive reading and math.
- **Senior Parent Conferences**
  - Senior conferences are being scheduled with all senior students and their parent/guardians to discuss their current graduation status.
- **Fieldtrips**
  - January 2023**
    - Winding Waters- Environmental Resource Management - January 12th
    - A Night of Great Expectations 2023- January 13th
    - Palm Beach State- Application and Financial Aid Support- January 18th
    - University of Florida Campus Tour- January 26th
    - Claim Your Future Showcase- January 31st (\*Career Source)
  - February 2023**
    - College Football Signing Day- February 9th
    - PBC 4H Centennial Celebration- February 10th
    - HBCU/HSI Recruitment Fair- February 15th
    - Junior Achievement Speaker- Coach Wendy Francois
    - Pathway to P.L.U.T.O- February 17th

***D. Legislative Updates – Ralph Arza***

1. Ralph Arza gave legislative updates.

***E. Old Business***

1. CTE- Principal Earsley stated that Everett Thomas, EPA Science teacher, is studying for the CTE Engineering and Technology Florida Teacher Certification Examination.

2. Audit-Audit report for the year ended 6/30/22.

3. FY2023 Board Approved Referendum Expenditure Preliminary Plan-the Board reviewed and discussed the FY2023 Board Approved Referendum Expenditure Preliminary Plan.

4. FY2023 Board Approved Referendum Expenditure FINAL Plan- the Board reviewed and discussed the FY2023 Board Approved Referendum Expenditure FINAL Plan.

5. FY2023 Charter School Preliminary TSIA Expenditure Report & Salary Schedule- the Board reviewed and discussed the FY2023 Charter School Preliminary TSIA Expenditure Report & Salary Schedule.

***F. New Business***

**1. Florida Leadership Collaborative Project-** The Florida Charter School Alliance in collaboration with the Florida Department of Education, created the Charter School Leaders and Authorizers' Collaborative Cohort bringing together key charter and

district educational leaders from across the state to share best practices. EPA was selected to present best practices for Leading a Successful School-Charter School.

**G. Financial Report-----Eduserve**

1. Monthly Financials – EduServe presented to the Board a PowerPoint for November 2022 financials. The Board reviewed and discussed the Balance Sheet and the YTD Budget vs. the Actual Financial Statement, both summary and detail.

2. FY2022-FY2023 Budget Amendment- Defer until February Board meeting.

**H. Action Item**

1. Audit- Joseph Galardi made the motion to approve Audit report for the year ended June 30, 2022. Maureen Johnston seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Board Treasurer/Secretary -Charles Shaw made the motion to approve the Board Chair recommendation for Treasurer/Secretary. Joseph Galardi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. FY2023 Board Approved Referendum Expenditure Plan-Joseph Galardi made the motion to approve the FY2023 Board Approved Referendum Expenditure Plan. Maureen Johnston seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

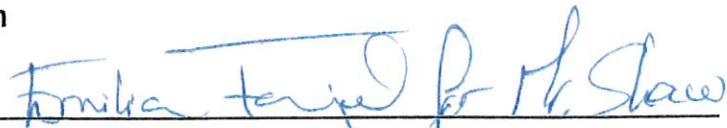
4. FY2023 Board Approved Referendum Expenditure FINAL Plan—Joseph Galardi made the motion to approve the FY2023 Board Approved Referendum Expenditure FINAL Plan. Maureen Johnston seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. FY2023 Charter School Preliminary TSIA Expenditure Report & Salary Schedule – Maureen Johnston made the motion to approve FY2023 Charter School Preliminary TSIA Expenditure Report & Salary Schedule. Charles Shaw seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

◆ Unanimously approved

The meeting adjourned at 3:55pm

◆ Approved by \_\_\_\_\_



Charles "Chuck" Shaw, As Secretary

Date 2/8/23