

**Board of Directors Minutes**  
**Everglades Preparatory Academy**  
**January 24, 2024**

The Everglades Preparatory Academy Board of Directors met at 2:09p.m. on January 24, 2024. Location: 360 East Main Street Building C Pahokee, Florida 33401

Members in attendance were:

Board Members

X Emilia Fanjul  
X Joseph Galardi  
X Angela Pope  
X Maureen Johnston  
X Christopher McDermott  
X Charles Shaw  
X Vivian White

Staff

X Linda Johnson Earsley  
X Sheila Bynes (Absent)  
X Julie Stewart  
X Jennifer Franco

Also, in attendance

X Ralph Arza, Arza Consultant  
X Tony Arza, Arza Consultant (Via Zoom)  
X Lesa Hamilton (Via Zoom)  
Senior Financial Analyst  
Eduserve Solutions

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

Public Comment- There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes from November 15, 2023:

Angela Pope made the motion. Maureen Johnston seconded the motion to approve November 15, 2023, minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes Approved  
 Minutes Not Approved  
 Corrections/Changes: None

Agenda:

1. The Agenda was presented and reviewed by the Board.

Reports:

*A. Chairperson – Emilia Fanjul*

1. Glades Academy Foundation Dinner update
2. Board Contact Form
3. April Board Meeting

*B. Consent Agenda*

1. None

C. *Principal's Report*

1. Enrollment: 126 students
2. Attendance
3. FTE week and 11 Day Attendance Count

FTE Week	11 Day Attendance Window
Feb. 5-9, 2024	Jan. 26 -Feb. 9, 2024

4. Graduation rate
5. FY24 ANNUAL Review @ Thu Feb 1, 2024, 9am - 11am
6. Annual Review consists of the following:
  - All benchmarks and objectives included in the FY 24 Annual Review link.
  - Focused Review of all Safety Benchmarks
  - Site Visit
7. Grants, Title I and ESE funding updates.
8. Health corps- Dr. Mehmet Oz ("Dr. Oz") emailed Principal Earsley about Everglades Preparatory Academy collaborating with HealthCorps which is a non-profit that supports the health and wellness of tweens and teens with in-school and after-school program for 20 years. The programs curriculum teaches students how to improve the health behaviors most important to long-term health and success.

D. *Assistant Principal – Julie Stewart*

Campus Happenings:

- FarmShare
- Fundraiser
- Marines
- Palm Beach State TRIO
- PB State College Exploration Day

Graduation Rate:

Current Reported Graduation Rate for the 2022-2023 Cohort				
Total Graduates	Total Cohort	Total Certificates of Completion	Total Drop Outs	Total Federal Graduation Rate
33	49	7	9 <i>*5 out of these 9 students are miscoded</i>	67.3%

Anticipated Amended Graduation Rate for the 2022-2023 Cohort				
Total Graduates	Total Cohort	Total Certificates of Completion	Total Drop Outs	Total Federal Graduation Rate
33	44	7	4 <i>*With the correcting coding</i>	75%

## EPA's Current Graduation Rate vs. Similar Alternative Schools

School Name	Total Federal Graduation Rate
Everglades Preparatory Academy	67.3%
Riviera Beach Preparatory Academy	62.5%
Crossroads Academy	61%
Palm Beach Preparatory Charter School	59.4%
Worthington High School	22.3%
Quantum High School	15.1%

Seniors that have met the math requirement:

- 20 out of 39 (This January we have 29 out of 36)

Seniors that have met the reading requirement:

- 9 out of 39 (This January we have 11 out of 36)

Seniors that have met both the math and reading graduation requirement to date:

- 5 out of 39 Seniors (These 5 are included in the count above)

*(This January we have 11 seniors that are graduation ready with a natural pass)*

9 out of the 39 Students are Eligible for an ESE Waiver in 2023 - 9 out of the 36 seniors are eligible for a waiver in 2024.

With the natural passes and remaining ESE waivers we have 16 seniors that would be graduation ready in January 2024 (5 students out of the 9 that are eligible for ESE waivers already received a natural pass).

### Tutoring:

- Carnegie Learning Tutoring
  - Math - 80 hours total- Virtual- **Completed**
- Migrant Tutoring
  - ELA, Math, Science - 3 Days Per Week- 60 Hours Available for Each Subject- **Ongoing**
- School Improvement Tutoring
  - SAT and ACT Tutoring - **Ongoing**

### Testing

- January 26th: PM2 Window Closes for Grades 8 - 10 FAST ELA Reading & Grade 8 FAST Mathematics
- January 29th: Window Closes for District Winter Diagnostic for Science
- Saturday, February 10th: SAT
- February 15th: CLT (juniors and seniors)
- February 19 - March 8: FSA Grade 10 ELA Writing Retake (seniors only), FSA Grade 10 ELA Reading Retake (seniors only), and FSA Algebra 1 EOC Retake (9 - 12)
- March 12th: ACT (juniors and seniors)

Data

Test Data was shared that showed a positive growth trend in both ELA and Math.

*E. Legislative Updates – Arza Consultant*

1. Ralph Arza gave legislative updates.

*F. Old Business*

1. Retro Referendum- Proportionate share of the FY20 and 21 Referendum revenue Plan

*G. New Business*

1. Agricultural Foundation Presentation-Everett Thomas EPA Science and Agricultural Foundation Teacher
2. 990 for the year ended June 30, 2023

*H. Financia Report-Eduserve*

1. Monthly Financials – EduServe presented to the Board a PowerPoint for November 2023 financials. The Board reviewed and discussed the Balance Sheet and the YTD Budget vs. the Actual Financial Statement, both summary and detail.

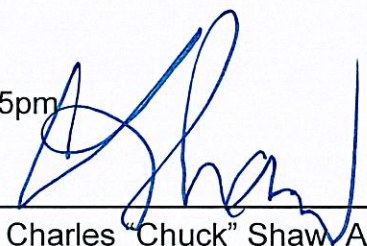
*I. Action Item*

1. 990 for the year ended June 30, 2023- Charles Shaw made the motion to approve the 990 for the year ended June 30, 2023. Joseph Galardi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

◆ Unanimously approved

The meeting adjourned at 3:45pm

◆ Approved by



Charles "Chuck" Shaw, As Secretary

Date

2/14/24