

**CITY OF LAUDERHILL  
EDUCATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

**APRIL 24, 2019 – 6:30 PM**

A meeting of the City of Lauderhill Educational Advisory Board (EAB) was held on Wednesday, April 24, 2019, in the Lauderhill City Hall Multipurpose Room #134, 5581 W. Oakland Park Boulevard, Lauderhill, FL 33313.

**I CALL TO ORDER**

The Staff Liaison called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. and welcomed everyone present.

**II ROLL CALL**

Ruth Jean	Absent
Sarah McIntosh	Present
Eva McLeod	Present
Kurt McNabb	Present
Keisha Ross	Present
Barika Williams	Absent (Apology tendered)
Dephine Johnson-OMeally (Staff)	Present

**Also Present:**

Felicia McCray – Lauderhill Paul Turner  
Michelle McCraney – Parkway Middle

**III APPROVAL/CORRECTION OF MINUTES**

There being no corrections, Member Eva McLeod made a motion, seconded by Member Kurt McNabb, to approve the minutes of February 27, 2019. There was a unanimous vote of approval.

**IV OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Teacher Appreciation Breakfast**

The Staff Liaison referred members to their invitations handed out from the Mayor to the Teacher Appreciation Breakfast on May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Lauderhill Performing Arts Center. Members were to confirm if they would attend. The Staff Liaison also pointed out to the members that although the Mayor had asked the EAB to serve as the selection panel for the Teacher of the Year, his office has advised that this would not be needed on this occasion as there was no defined criteria for selection.

## **V NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson**

The Staff Liaison opened the floor for nominations for the position of Chairman. Member Keisha Ross volunteered to be the Chairperson as there was no nomination forthcoming. Member Ross then nominated Member Kurt McNabb for the position of Vice Chairman, seconded by Member Eva McLeod. There was a unanimous vote of approval from all members present.

### **B. Selection of Second Alternate Board Member**

The board members present reviewed the applications for the position of Second Alternate Board Member. Member McLeod made a motion to nominate Apryl Freeman as the Second Alternate and this was seconded by Member McIntosh. There was a unanimous vote to accept this nomination. The Chairperson requested that the Staff Liaison advise the City Clerk's office to take the necessary steps to contact Ms. Freeman with a view to her being invited to the next Board Meeting in May.

### **C. Assignment to Schools**

The Assigned Schools list was discussed and Member McIntosh selected Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary as her other assigned school in addition to Endeavour Primary Learning Center. It was decided that Larkdale Elementary would be assigned to Apryl Freeman when she joined. The Staff Liaison would update the Assigned Schools list for circulation at the next meeting.

## **VI. PRESENTATIONS**

## **VII. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

Chairperson Ross, in her official capacity as Chairperson, welcomed everyone especially the new members and stated that she looked forward to achieving good things with this Board as she believed the EAB was what they make of it. In the general discussions following the Chairperson pointed out that she believed that there was an opportunity for the Board to bring more to the attention of the Commission. It was also pointed out that once the Members started liaising with their assigned schools, their assessment of assistance needed could be used to support any request for funds from the Commission for particular projects to benefit the children in Lauderdale schools. The Members present agreed that they would collaborate to make a presentation to the Commission to request support for projects in their respective assigned schools.

## **VIII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Member McLeod stated that Ms. McCrary from Lauderdale Paul Turner Elementary had submitted a request for a donation towards their upcoming Culture Night. The City Clerk's office had however advised her that there were no funds allocated to the EAB for this financial year. Ms. McCrary stated that they were partnering with Dillard Elementary to highlight different cultures and that there would be various resources available to parents at the event.

Ms. McCraney, Parkway Middle, introduced herself and outlined that they were getting ready for testing and she would be putting together some things (ice cream social) for the children after the tests were over; as well as a mentoring program in place for the students. Chairperson Ross also advised her of the persons at Parkway Middle that she normally liaised with and stated that she looked forward to doing the same with her.

In the discussions regarding recognition of the students in the various schools who excel in different areas of school life it was suggested that probably they could be featured in the City's Spotlight newsletter that is sent to the residents in the City who need to know the positive things that are happening in the schools. Copies of the Spotlight were given to persons present.

**IX. NEXT MEETING DATE: May 29, 2019**

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further comments, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. on a motion from Member McNabb and seconded by Member McIntosh.