Venice Elementary School

SAC Minutes - April 9, 2026 .

Attendance:
Jill Flores, Kelly Marsh, Amber Roberts, Denise Harris, Heather Zabrowski, Michael Bacon, Jenn Ayer, William Brennan, Kelly Corona, Tammy Vowell, Kara Morgan, Vanessa Eaton, Erin Holloway, Tash Umstead

Call to Order:
A meeting of the Venice Elementary School Advisory Council was held in the VES Media Center on 4/9/26 . Chair Kara Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:33 A.M . Tammy Vowell will record minutes for this meeting.

Minutes:
Jill Flores motions to approve the minutes of 2/12/26, with no corrections. Motion outcome: The motion was seconded by Michael Bacon and approved unanimously by response of "Aye."

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

1. Master Schedule: The county administration has changed the way the master schedule is decided at all SCS schools. ESE needs and scheduling will be done first, and then the rest of the schedule will be made around that. An organization from the state, called FIN (Florida Inclusion Network) will be meeting with staff at each school to assist with the scheduling.
    a. Amber Roberts asked if this was being done because there was an issue with scheduling before? The answer: No, the schedule change is a paradigm shift in building around student needs and to avoid numerous disruptions to teachers and students in all classrooms.

2. Teacher Request Revision for 2026-27 SY: On the parent survey requesting a teacher for their child, parents will no longer be asked to suggest three different teachers they think would meet the needs of their child. Instead, the request must be made for a specific teaching style that would match the learning style of their child. The survey link will be sent in the VES Peek of the Week and will open April 27 and close on May 7.
3. There are many reasons to go to this system, including teacher status changes that could occur over the summer. Teachers often make grade level changes and sometimes even changes in schools, necessitating change anyway if parents have requested a specific teacher.
    a. Questions from SAC members: Is this how it is done at other schools? Answer: The schools who allow for parents to make requests all ask for a teaching style and not the name of a specific teacher.
    b. Is there any way to provide parents with a "cheat sheet" or list of teaching styles to choose from? Answer: TBD
    c. Are there any anticipated changes in staff at VES for next year, based on enrollment? Answer: Not at this time. We are steadily at approximately 630 students, and looking at about the same for next year. Choice decisions were issued on Monday, 4/6/26, and currently Kelly Marsh has about 100 registrations to process. The county allowed more choice allocations than they had previously approved. Re-registration for current students starts on 4/15/26.

4. Early Dismissal Protocol Revision for 2026-27 SY: The deadline for parents to notify the office about an early dismissal for students is changing from 2:45 to 12:00. This gives the office plenty of time to notify classroom teachers without interrupting the classroom and instruction as much.

5. Push Plan: Currently the lowest 33% at each grade level is on track to meet learning gains, and teachers and admin have met to plan specific, targeted interventions to meet the needs of the students based on previous testing data.

6. Quarter 3 Attendance: There has been a drastic improvement in attendance, lowering the number of kids at each grade level who do not meet the 90% attendance threshold. The numbers of tardies and early dismissals still continue to be a challenge. Current numbers not meeting the attendance threshold are:

Grade	**Total < 90%**	**Total %**
K	11	11/95 (12%)
1	14	14/88 (16%)
2	12	12/106 (11%)
3	15	15/112 (13%)
4	15	15/96 (16%)
5	9	9/103 (9%)

Reports: N/A

Next Meeting Date & Time:
The next meeting will be held on 5/14/26 at 7:30 A.M. in the Media Center

Meeting Adjournment:
Jill Flores motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 A.M. Motion outcome: Seconded by Tammy Vowell. Motion carried unanimously by show of hands.

Submitted by,
Name of Recorder: Tammy Vowell
Name of Position on Board: Secretary
Approval Date: _____