



# South Florida Autism Charter Schools, Inc.

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## SFACS

Governing Board Meeting  
Friday, Jan. 7, 2022  
9:00 a.m.

**Location:** 3751 West 108 Street, Hialeah, Florida 33018; a Zoom link for members who wished to participate virtually:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84380425990?pwd=cjZiK1ZWYTnFSmtQOWIsNW1Vd1BVZz09>

Meeting ID: 843 8042 5990

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### Present:

Board members: Glenn Pierce; Dr. Yadira Martinez, Dr. Cicly Nestor, Michael Marsh, and Max Wyler.

Staff: Dr. Moodie, Susan Leon

Mr. Pierce called the meeting to order. The minutes from the Oct. 15, 2021 board meeting were reviewed and approved.

**Public Comment:** Mr. Pierce opened the floor for public comment; there was none.

### Financial Report:

Mr. Pierce reviewed the financial reports with the board. He stated that the school is in good financial standing. In addition, he and Dr. Moodie recently had their annual call with the bond investors and it went very well.

### School Report:

Student Update/FTE: Dr. Moodie reported that 10 new students started in January. February FTE will be close to 270. Attendance has been lower after holidays, due to the covid surge from the Omicron variant.

### Staff Report:

Staffing: Dr. Moodie reported that the school is still hiring, and that we require an additional 7 assistants to be fully staffed.

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**Principal / Executive Director**  
Tamara Moodie, Ph.D.

**Operations Director**  
Susan L. Leon

#### Governing Board

Glenn R. Pierce. - *Chairman*  
Robert Cambo - *Vice Chairman*  
Yadira Martinez-Fernandez, M.D. – *Secty./Treas.*  
Michael C. Marsh, J.D.  
William “Max” Wyler  
Carrie Landess, M.D.  
Cicily Payne-Nestor, D.C.  
Robin Parker, SLP.D., CCC – *Member Emeritus*

#### Advisory Board:

Susan Neimand, Ph.D.  
*Dean of the School of Education*  
Miami-Dade College

#### Consultants:

Frank Rodriguez, MS, BCBA  
ABA Programming

Out of Field Waivers: Dr. Moodie advised that she has offered ESE Teacher positions to two Teacher Assistants who have passed the ESE K-12, and will soon receive their Letter of Eligibility from the Florida DOE. She asked that the board approve the following Out of Field Waivers for Teachers, who will start as soon as the Letters of Eligibility are received:

**TEACHERS FOR WHOM WAIVERS ARE BEING REQUESTED:**

Teacher Name	ASD	ELEM K-6	ESE K12	ESOL	READ	MUSIC	SPANISH
Gomez, Jessenia	X	X		X	X		
Nunez, Gabriela	X	X		X	X		

**Upcoming Events**

Annual Walk: Dr. Moodie reported to the board that this year the proceeds from the Walk will go towards Friends of South Florida Autism. Preparations are already underway.

Gala 2022: Dr. Moodie presented the date and theme for the 2022 Ray of Hope Gala. She is proposing a "Havana Nights" on the school campus.

**Misc.**

Governance Training: Dr. Moodie reminded the board that the Governance Training is due by January 18<sup>th</sup>.

Superintendent Carvalho: Mr. Pierce asked that the school fast track the plaque that was planned to honor Superintendent Carvalho, given that he has announced that he will be leaving on Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> for his new position in California.

Mr. Pierce then made a motion to adjourn, and all approved.

*The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she is a Director and/or Officer of South Florida Autism Charter Schools, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, and that the above is a true and correct copy of the meeting minutes of the Board of Directors of said corporation and the individual charter school sponsored by said corporation.*

**South Florida Autism Charter Schools, Inc.  
A Florida not-for-profit organization**



**Glenn R. Pierce, Board Chairman**

**Prepared by: Susan L. Leon**