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The second meeting of the Florida Migrant Parent Advisory Council (FMPAC) for the 2019-2020 school year took place at the Embassy Suites in Orlando, Florida on January 17 & 18, 2020. Dr. Maria Pouncey welcomed members and called the meeting to order; fourteen members attended. The agenda and minutes from the November meeting were approved.

Presentation/Workshops

**Florida Department of
Education Update
(FDOE)**

Dr. Dinh Nguyen

State MEP Director

Dr. Nguyen gave members an update on the Migrant Education Program. He is doing his best to improve the program.



Identification and Recruitment

Margarita Di Salvo

State ID & R Coordinator



Mrs. Di Salvo gave members a presentation on what the ID & R office does and how it works.

Identifying and recruiting eligible migrant children is the cornerstone of the MEP.

Reading/Early Childhood

Read with Me

Dr. Maria Pouncey

FMPAC Coordinator

Dr. Pouncey gave members statistics of how students whose parents read to them at a young



age pick up more vocabulary than those students whose parents do not read to them.

Family Network on Disability

Amarilis Vega de Jesus

Hispanic Outreach Coordinator

Mrs. Vega de Jesus gave members a presentation on the Individual Education Plan (IEP). The IEP is a document that presents the action plan that will be used to ensure that your child is provided with a quality education.



MALDEF– The Parent Teacher Partnership

Salvatore Romano

ELL Teacher from Orange County



Mr. Romano gave members a workshop on how to have an effective relationship as a parent with the teachers and students.

Mr. Romano went over how a parent should prepare when attending a parent teacher meeting.





Florida Migrant Parent Advisory Council (FMPAC)



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Polk

Yiny Vasquez

Suwannee

Naela Jimenez

Volusia Jennipher Nieves

Message from the FMPAC President:

Hello FMPAC Members,

I want to thank all the parents and district representatives who accompanied us at our second meeting. Thanks to Dr. Dinh Nguyen for taking time to join us at this meeting. Hopefully our suggestions will be considered so that our program benefit even more our migrant families and youth. Thanks also to all the presenters who shared with us tools that can help us in our lives. To the wonderful FMPAC team that works hard under the supervision of our coordinator, Dr. Maria Poncey, for doing so many things so that we as migrant parents can provide a better future for our children. I wish you all safe travels and I hope to see you all at our next meeting. Blessings for all.

Thank you,
Veronica Rodriguez
President



Parent Teacher Partnership

STRATEGIES TO SUPPORT THE ACADEMIC SUCCESS OF YOUR CHILDREN

Examine the school cumulative file:

1. The grades on the report card reflect the results of the tests your child took.
2. Find out how the teacher qualifies, for example, how many points he will award for each test, homework, class participation, etc.
3. If you disagree with your child's grade, talk to the teacher. If necessary, talk to the school administration.

January Birthdays



Participant Survey Results

Trainings/Workshops:	
FDOE Update/ID & R	Strongly agree = 10 Agree = 3
MALDEF: The Parent Teacher Partnership	Strongly agree = 11 Agree = 2
Family Network on Disability	Strongly agree = 8 Agree = 5
Read with Me	Strongly agree = 10 Agree = 2
Accommodations:	
Hotel (your room) was comfortable.	Strongly agree = 13 Agree = 0
The food was of good taste.	Strongly agree = 12 Agree = 0
The hotel staff was kind.	Strongly agree = 11 Agree = 0
PAEC staff was helpful during the conference preparations.	Strongly agree = 12 Agree = 0
The meeting room was comfortable (it was not too cold or too hot).	Strongly agree = 10 Agree = 2
The material used was easy to understand	Strongly agree = 12 Agree = 0
Meeting times, location, and childcare:	
Weekend meetings.	Strongly agree = 13 Agree = 0
Central area in Orlando.	Strongly agree = 13 Agree = 0

References

FDOE, FND, MALDEF

Visit the FMPAC website myfmpac.org/español for more information in Spanish.

