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## Florida Migrant Parent Advisory Council (FMPAC)



The fourth and last meeting for the Florida Migrant Parent Advisory Council (FMPAC) for the 2014-2015 school year took place at the Rosen Centre Hotel in Orlando, Florida on May 1 & 2, 2015. Elizabeth Ochoa welcomed members and called the meeting to order. There were seven members and four visiting parents present. Members were reminded that they have the opportunity to discuss and share any comments and concerns with Ms. Carol Gagliano, Florida migrant state director. No quorum was established motions were tabled for next meeting.

#### Presentations:



Nicolas Gonzalez, Migrant Advocate for Madison County gave members a presentation from the MAL-DEF book on Responsible Leadership and Teamwork. He talked about the charac-

teristics of a leader.

Vicente Reyes, member from Madison

County, gave members a presentation from the MALDEF book on Facilitating in Productive Meetings. He talked about how to have a productive meeting and other important roles to have a good meeting. Time for Teamwork!



Elizabeth Ochoa FMPAC President gave members a presentation on the National Migrant Conference. She talked to the members about her experience at the conference. Elizabeth Ochoa and Arcelia Lopez gave a

workshop at the National Migrant Conference titled "Sea el Gato que Pesca el Raton la Tecnologia, Sus Hijos y Usted," (translates to be the cat that catches the mouse technology: your children and you).

John Padilla, ESE teacher from Orange County, gave members a presentation on Understanding the E.S.E Program. He talked to the members about the exceptionalities that the state recognizes. The most im-



portant is for parents to speak for the rights of their students.

Isaac Altamirano, PAEC Migrant Education technical assistant, gave members a workshop on how to use the program Microsoft Office 2013. He did a mini review of Open Office and Microsoft Office 2013. He showed the members how to create a mini presentation using PowerPoint.





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## National Migrant Conference Workshop

FMPAC Members
By County
Collier
Anita Rakoski
Gadsden

Luz Olguin

Madison

Vicente Reyes

Palm Beach

Maricela Paniagua

Polk

Rosa Flores

Putnam

Maria G. Rodriguez

Suwannee

Epifania Maya

Volusia

Irene Flores

FMPAC District Members by County

Madison

Nicholas Gonzalez

Miami-Dade

Martha Torres

Orange

Olga Marquez

Suwannee

Naela Jimenez

Volusia

Katie Amaral













## Message from the FMPAC President:

Once again, another school year has come and gone. Although, our children are off for the summer let's remember our work as FMPAC members is never done. This summer let's continue to share the responsibility of educating and informing our fellow districts parents with resources so they can make a difference in their child's

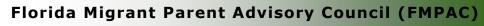
upcoming school. I would like to personally thank each member of the 2014-2015 FMPAC committee for all the hard work and dedication in making this year so educational and successful! Each one of you have made a difference in our committee and in your districts. For those of you that will not be joining us next year please know that you will be missed. However, we know that you will continue to make a positive impact in your communities. On the other hand, if you will be joining us for the 2015-2016 FMPAC year we welcome you with open arms. Get ready to be equipped with the necessary resources and hands on experience to become a more insightful leader. Who knows maybe even the next FMPAC President! Don't doubt yourself...someone has to do it! Why not you!

Sincerely,

Eli Ochoa

**FMPAC** President







# FMPAC Member Recognition







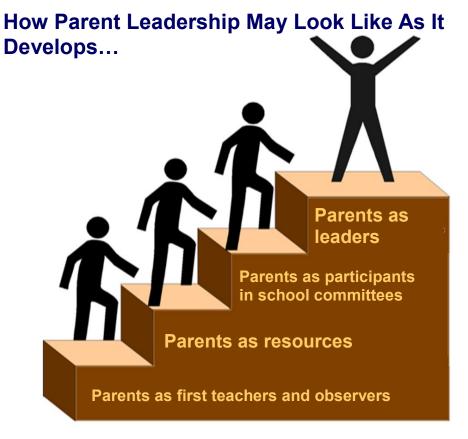


# Leadership

"Leadership is defined as an attitude and a behavior, not as a position. Leadership can be shared, collaborative and learned."

- Parent as Leaders, University of Vermont







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## Participant Survey Results

Trainings/Workshops:	
MALDEF: Chapter 8 Responsible Leadership	Strongly agree = 11 Agree = 2 Disagree = 1
MALDEF: Chapter 9 Facilitating and Participating in a Productive Meeting	Strongly agree = 7 Agree = 6
National Migrant Conference	Strongly agree = 12 Agree = 0
Education for Exceptional Students	Strongly agree = 9 Agree = 3
Parent Literacy Survey	Strongly agree = 4 Agree = 5
Computer Training	Strongly agree = 9 Agree = 2
Accommodations	
Hotel (your room) was comfortable.	Strongly agree = 11 Agree = 1
The food was of good taste.	Strongly agree = 12 Agree = 1
The hotel staff was kind.	Strongly agree = 10 Agree = 2
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 = 9 Agree = 2
The material used was easy to understand	Strongly agree = 10 Neutral = 1
Meeting times, location, and childcare:	
Weekend meetings.	Strongly agree = 12 Agree = 0
Childcare available.	Strongly agree = 11 Agree = 2
Central area in Orlando.	Strongly agree = 9 Agree = 2
Central place (in Orlando instead of another Florida city) for all members.	Strongly agree = 10 Agree = 2

## References

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Visit the FMPAC website <u>myfmpac.org/espanol</u> for this PowerPoint presentation in Spanish and <u>www.myfmpac.org</u> for other presentations.

