

SUPERINTENDENT’S DISTRICT ADVISORY PANEL  
FOR  
EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION  
AWARDS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 3, 2021

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**Members Present:**

Enrique Escallon	Rosa Maria Barbara-Olsen	Angie Torres
Patrick Salmasi	Vivian Nunez	Dayana Cadaya
Kelli Hunter-Sheppard		

**Welcome/Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 am by the Co-Chair Kelli Hunter-Sheppard. Awards Sub-Committee Members were welcomed and introduced.

**Review of 2020-21 Awards Event**

Mr. Salmasi noted that the 20-21 Superintendent’s District Advisory Panel for Exceptional Student Education Awards Presentation was published to our EduVision Channel. The video was watched over 630 times. Awards were presented to winners from the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school year.

**Theme Option 21-22**

B.E. Beyond Exceptional was proposed for the 2021-22 Awards Ceremony. More suggestions are forthcoming and will be accepted at the December meeting.

**Award Application**

The following awards will be given to individuals that meet the qualifications for the categories listed below:

- Student Awards of Excellence (4) – Pre K, Elementary, Middle, High
- Award of Excellence for Leadership and Service (3 ) Elementary, Middle, High
- Champion of Inclusion (1) Teacher/Administrator
- Champion of Parent Engagement Award (1)
- Inclusion Award of Excellence (1)
- Reno Cocchi Employer Award of Excellence - 4

## **Event Logistics**

The sub-committee has discussed the various options for the Awards presentation platform and location. The following options were submitted for consideration.

- A. Virtual Presentation – Virtual Awards Ceremony was attended by a large number of viewers. Convenient and no restrictions on amount of attendees.**
- B. Awards Ceremony (Auditorium Setting with limited seating) Streamed for parents and family that can't attend.**

## **Proposed Event Dates**

It was proposed that the two dates be provided for the Awards Ceremony. The following dates were submitted for consideration.

**Option 1.        May 5, 2021 @ 5:30 pm**

**Option 2.        May 12, 2021 @ 5:30 pm**

## **Event Location Options**

Miami Arts Studio

Ronald Reagan Senior High School

Coral Park Senior High School

Based on State and Federal recommendations as it relates to Social Distancing requirements, event format and location may be changed/altered.

## **Budget Rollover**

Donations received last year were utilized to purchase Plaques and Trophies. The Awards Committee will continue request donations to support our Awards Ceremony.

## **Recommendations:**

It was recommended that the Gifted and Inclusion Sub-Committee be a part of the selection committee for the Award of Excellence for Leadership and Service and Champion of Inclusion Award.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:07 am. Next meeting is scheduled for December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021

