



**Association of Haitian Educators of Dade (AHED)**

**P.O. Box 610091,**

**North Miami, Florida 33061**

**Virtual Meeting**

**Date:** Friday June 26, 2020

**Starting time:** 5:08 PM

**Present:** Yverose Midy-Placide-President

Paul Fabre-Vice-President

Sabine Duval-Treasurer

Magda Prophete-Secretary

Marie Ocean-Public Relations

Dinah Dorvil-Member-at-Large

Bernadette Pierre-Past President

Deland Innocent-Advisor

Jean Robert Bertrand-Advisor

- Welcome
- Roll Call (Quorum was achieved)
- Review of minutes from 6/22/2020
- Sabine motioned to approve minutes. Bertrand second the motion. Board agreed to approve the minutes. They will be posted on the website.
- The President introduced the new Executive Board. She thanked everyone for willingly taking on a task which requires a lot of work.
- Yverose read AHED's mission

- 2020-2021 School Year will be full of challenges. Parents were not ready to assist their children with assignments remotely during the shut down. How can AHED provide support for parents?
- Parents need training seminars to assist in logging on to the portal, creating email, navigating Microsoft Teams and Zoom.
- Lack of information provided to Haitian parents. Many did not have access to internet/Hotspots, and were unaware that Comcast offers free wifi accessible to students
- It was suggested that AHED prepare an informative PowerPoint to share with the media
- Yverose reminded us to include Homestead and Florida City as they are also part of Dade County Public School System
- Need to update contact info (addresses, phone numbers...). Might require media's help
- Must build relationships with all stakeholders in the community (churches, libraries, all organizations)
- AHED training done at a church was extremely successful; we need to continue reaching out to pastors or priests.
- No provision was made for students in Adult Education to get laptops. We must make sure they are not overlooked again.
- Distributing devices is not enough, training is needed.
- Sant La is providing contactless services to parents
- Clarification made by Yverose regarding collaboration with Sant La: 2 persons would volunteer at Sant La once a week, but each person would only volunteer two hours a month
- AHED will ensure the safety of its members by following Dade County Public Schools and CDC guidelines
- Sabine stated that AHED's finances are not looking great at this time. We were not able to follow with certain activities/plans because of Covid-19. We need to think of ways to acquire funds
- Members were asked to volunteer for different committees

**Award/Fundraising/Scholarship Committee**

Sabine Duval	Paul Fabre
Deland Innocent	Bernadette Pierre

**Education/Parent Training Committee**

Wilhel Jean-Louis	Emma Francois
Dr. Pierre	Beulah Gray
Dinah Dorvil	Guihlene Benjamin

**Public Relations Committee**

Bernadette Pierre	Emma Francois
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James Bertrand

### **Recruitment/Retention Committee**

- Other members will let us know at a future date which committee they would like to join

- **Upcoming Events**

**Friday August 7-** Round Table about Opening of Schools and how AHED could support our parents with Technical issues

**Saturday August 22-** Opening of Schools Zoom Training/ Supplies Give Away

**Friday September 4-** General Members Meeting

**Saturday November 21-** Parents Meeting/Thanksgiving Prep Assistance

**Thursday December 17-** Holiday Mixer

- All event dates are tentative
- Request was made for the secretary to send AHED bylaws' and list of members to Executive Board
- Motion to adjourned made by Magda; Dinah second the motion
- **Meeting Adjourned:** 6:14 pm
- **Next Meeting:** TBA

- **Members in Attendance**

Emma Francois- Curriculum Support Specialist

Lucia Baez Geller- Candidate for School Board, District 3

James Bertrand- Math Teacher

Dr. Jep Pierre- Math Teacher

Lotz Detjeen Teacher

Beulah Gray- Reading Coach

Constantin Chery- Assistant Principal

Wilhel Jean-Louis- School Psychologist

Guilhen Benjamin- Foreign Language Teacher