

DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF PASCO COUNTY, FLORIDA

February 18, 2014

The District School Board of Pasco County met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 18, 2014, in the Board Room, District Office Complex, Building 3, 7205 Land O' Lakes Boulevard, Land O' Lakes, Florida. Present were Chairman Alison Crumbley, Vice Chairman Steve Luikart, and Board Members Allen Altman, Cynthia Armstrong, and Joanne Hurley. Also present were Kurt S. Browning, Superintendent and ex officio Secretary to the Board, and Nancy Alfonso, Attorney for the Board.

The meeting was opened with the reading of the School Board's vision statement and was followed with the thought for the day by Member Hurley and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Chairman asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Patti Milec, first grade teacher at Cotee River Elementary School, and Kelly Krapfl, occupational therapist serving several schools.

The Chairman asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of February 4, 2014, workshop of February 4, 2014, and employee appeal hearing of February 4, 2014. There were none, and on motion by Member Altman, seconded by Member Armstrong, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Linda Cobbe, Director of Communications, coordinated the special presentations as follows: (*See Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____.*)

- Pasco Regional Secondary Science and Engineering Fair - State and International Student Representatives
- Retirement of Patrick McDermott (Managing Director, Center for the Arts of Wesley Chapel)
- Sunlake High School Band - State Award

The Chairman called a break for pictures and the meeting came back to order at 6:28 p.m.

The Chairman asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to address the Board.

- Adam Clayton, New Port Richey – read his apology letter to the Board for an incident that occurred at River Ridge High School. Board members accepted his apology.
- Jason Confer, New Port Richey – apologized to the Board for scaring a student at Gulf Middle School.

The Chairman asked if the United School Employees of Pasco had anything to present. Kenny Blankenship, Vice President, spoke on behalf of USEP:

- They are very proud that the District TOY and SRP for the year are USEP members.
- Three young USEP members recently attended a Young Educators Conference and came back excited to start the Pasco Young Educators group. In order to have longevity and experience in the classroom in an ever-changing profession, USEP is working with Sand Pine, Moon Lake, and Pine View Elementary Schools to organize and meet the needs of this group.
- They have been meeting with Pasco eSchool teachers to address their needs and concerns and are looking to resolve issues before the programs are expanded.
- The committee to review the early retirement program has met several times and is preparing a list of recommendations, recognizing there may be changes depending on the legislature.
- They have met with district staff on several occasions regarding End of Course (EOC) exams that are to be implemented by the end of the school year and are trying to meet the state's mandates.
- A representative from the Florida Education Association recently addressed 100 building representatives, updating them on various bills that will be coming up in the legislative session. USEP members have been in constant contact with their legislators and will be sending 8 teams to Tallahassee for legislative lobbying.
- He distributed a copy of the FADSS 2014 Legislative Platform Executive Summary, which supports a "high quality public school accountability system". (*See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____*)
- He also distributed information from Share My Lesson about a free virtual conference for all educators. The session, "Ideas and Innovations", will be held on March 11-13, 2014, and includes 24 online webinars and workshops. USEP is working with Asst. Supt. Van Name Larson on the ability to offer professional development credit for the seminars. (*See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____*)
- With reference to the addendum to agenda item 5E1, USEP will want to hold a subsequent discussion to determine if the need for this service can be filled in-house.

Committee Reports:

Member Armstrong:

- Health and Wellness Committee – update on initiatives.

Member Hurley:

- Construction Committee – information regarding upcoming construction and renovation projects will be available at an upcoming Board meeting.

Chairman Altman:

- Pasco Education Foundation Executive Committee – Strategic Vision session.
- Value Adjustment Board – upcoming meeting.

Member Luikart:

- None

Member Crumbley:

- Communications Committee tomorrow.

(1.0) Reports, Information and Comments:

Superintendent Browning:

- The State Board of Education adopted the revised standards for Common Core State Standards and rebranded the name to Florida Standards.
- Florida Standards parent meetings continue through March 4, 2014.
- Encouraged participation – either as a walker or sponsor - in the Hunger Walk, a fundraising event being held at Gulf High School on Saturday, March 15, 2014, in conjunction with Chasco Fiesta. Proceeds will benefit Pack A Sack 4 Kids and Pasco County Elderly Nutrition. (*See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____*)
- An update on the ICT Coaches will be presented at the next Board meeting.

Ray Gadd:

- The five selected construction managers mentioned by Member Hurley will be public information on February 26, 2014, and loaded on VendorBid.
- An Executive Session to discuss legal strategy regarding Auction Rate Securities has been scheduled for April 15, 2014.

Amelia Van Name Larson:

- Celebrating the STEM Fair held the past week. There were many more entries this year. Many of them were incredible – and one student will be going to the international science fair.
- The crisis teams have been very busy lately; she thanked Melissa Musselwhite and Carrie Morris for their guidance and support.
- As Supt. Browning stated, the Common Core State Standards are now known as the Florida Standards; the changes adopted by the State Board of Education are minimal.
- A program to help off-track students is being shared with principals; the high schools have pulled together and they are looking at out-of-the-box ideas. She encouraged Board members to visit Wesley Chapel High School to see the ideas being used to bring students back on track.
- The robotics competition will be held this weekend; Sunlake High School is going to state; we wish them well.
- Asked Lisa Kern to explain the addendum to agenda item 5E1 regarding LPN services.

Todd Cluff:

- Introduced Tisha Doolan, new assistant principal at Ridgewood High School.

(2.0) Melissa Musselwhite, Director, Office for Student Support Programs and Services, presented the following expulsion recommendation. Board members have been provided with detailed information on which to base their decision.

- ~~A. Closed Appeal Hearing – Expulsion of Female Student (DOB 01/09/2001)
Dr. John Long Middle School HEARING CANCELLED~~
- B. Expulsion Cumulative Report - School Year 2013-2014 – Information

The Chairman asked Board members to identify the items on the consent agenda that they would like placed on the action agenda. The items on the **ACTION AGENDA** are as follows:

- 10. Resolutions - None Submitted**
- 11. Property Acquisitions - None Submitted**
- 12. Miscellaneous Action Items**

- A. Florida Autism Center of Excellence's Expenditure of Teacher Salary Categorical Dollars
- B. Pepin Academies of Pasco County, Inc. - Amended Contract

The Chairman asked for a motion to approve all items on the consent agenda. Member Altman moved that the Board approve all items on the consent agenda, including addenda. Member Luikart seconded the motion, and on vote the motion carried unanimously to approve the **CONSENT AGENDA** as follows:

3. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

A. Learning Communities

- 1. Out-of-State Travel - Ridgewood High School - South Carolina *(See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

B. Teaching and Learning

- 1. School Choice Change of Placement *(See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

C. Professional Development and School Supports - None Submitted

D. Accountability Research and Measurement - None Submitted

E. Student Support Programs and Services

- 1. Change of Placement *(See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

F. School Field Trips

- 1. Requests for School Field Trips *(See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

4. ADMINISTRATION

A. Human Resources and Educator Quality

- 1. Administrative, Instructional, Non-Instructional, and Professional Technical Personnel Recommendations (including addendum) *(See Personnel Supplemental Minute Book _____, Page _____)*

B. Employee Relations - None Submitted

C. Technology and Information Services - None Submitted

5. SUPPORT SERVICES

A. Planning Services

- 1. Requests for Use of Facilities *(See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

B. Construction Services - None Submitted

C. Food and Nutrition Services - None Submitted

D. Maintenance Services

- 1. Surplus Equipment *(See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

E. Purchasing Services *(See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

- 1. Request for Approval of Bid Recommendations, Bid Renewals, and Contracts (including addendum)

CONTRACTS: *Life Care Center of New Port Richey; Pasco County Health Department; Pasco-Hernando Workforce Board, Inc.; Right at Home; Verizon Business Network Services*

6. FINANCE SERVICES

- A. Request for Approval of Payroll Expenditures for January 2014 and Authorization to Expend Funds for February 2014 *(See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

B. Warrant Lists *(See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

C. 2012-2013 Tangible Personal Property Inventories *(See Misc. Supp. Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

7. GRANT PROPOSALS *(See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

A. Grants Summary - Information Only

8. ALLOCATIONS *(See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

- A. Allocation Changes (2013/2014): *Add - Additional Duty (Inst.) - ESD - Title I; Increase - Parent Involvement Asst - CWTES - Title I*

9. INTERNAL AUDIT *(See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*

- A. Audit of Deer Park Elementary Internal Accounts – Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2012 & June 30, 2013

- B. Audit of Longleaf Elementary School Internal Accounts – Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2010 through June 30, 2013

- C. Audit of Gulf Middle School Internal Accounts – Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2012 & June 30, 2013

(12A) The Chairman presented the request for approval of *Florida Autism Center of Excellence's Expenditure of Teacher Salary Categorical Dollars (See Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*.

Member Hurley moved that the Board approve the *Florida Autism Center of Excellence's Expenditure of Teacher Salary Categorical Dollars*, seconded by Member Altman. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

(12B) The Chairman presented the request for approval of *Pepin Academies of Pasco County, Inc. - Amended Contract (See Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book 392, Page _____)*. Member Altman moved that the Board approve the *Pepin Academies of Pasco County, Inc. – Amended Contract*, seconded by Member Armstrong. Attorney Alfonso explained the clarifying language in the amended contract to Board members. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Individual Board members presented and discussed items.

Member Armstrong:

- Encouraged participation in the upcoming Hunger Walk. Proceeds support Pack A Sack 4 Kids and the Meals on Wheels program for the elderly.
- Restore Act Committee – the district’s project involving the Energy and Marine Center (EMC) is receiving statewide recognition and attention.
- Requested a meeting of the Substitute Committee.

Member Hurley:

- Evaluated Take Stock In Children scholarship applications.
- Thanked Dave Scanga for arranging a visit to Connerton Elementary School (focused on math talks) - great things are happening there.

Member Altman:

- None

Member Luikart:

- None

Chairman Crumbley:

- Encouraged participation, either as a participant or sponsor, in the upcoming Hunger Walk. Thanked Kim Davis, principal at Gulf High School, for set up of the event at the school.
- Will attend Cinderella Ball on March 8, 2014. Kudos to Cathy Peckett for her work on the committee.
- She may be absent from the March 4, 2014, Board meeting, due to scheduled surgery for her mother. If so, Vice Chairman Steve Luikart will preside over the meeting.

Attorney Nancy Alfonso did not have any comments.

The Chairman asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to address the Board. No one came forward.

The Chairman announced that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is March 4, 2014, at 9:30 a.m.

There was no further business to come before the Board, and upon motion by Member Altman, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

(Audio recording of the above proceeding is available and preserved as public document.)

APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD
IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman

March 4, 2014

Superintendent of Schools