

DISTRICT SCHOL BOARD OF PASCO COUNTY, FLORIDA
July 29, 2014

The District School Board of Pasco County met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 29, 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 Dennis 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 for personal reflection.

The Chairman asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of July 22, 2014, and workshop of July 22, 2014. There were none, and on motion by Vice Chairman Luikart, seconded by Member Altman, the minutes were approved unanimously.

The Chairman closed the regular meeting of the School Board and opened the public hearing on the tentative school budget for the 2014-2015 school year.

The Superintendent reviewed the proposed 2014-2015 balanced budget. The total tentative budget is \$1,199,382,140, an increase of \$119.9 million over last year's budget. It includes a General Operating budget of \$544 million and a Capital budget of \$335 million. The General Operating Budget increase is due to changes in the base student allocation and increases in projected enrollment. The total tax millage for the 2014-2015 fiscal year is 7.149, a decrease of 0.208 mills.

Dennis Alfonso, School Board attorney, announced that this is the first public hearing on the 2014-2015 tentative budget. The second and final public hearing will be held September 16, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board meeting room.

The Chairman asked if there were public comments on the first public hearing on the budget. No one came forward.

The Chairman presented the request for the approval of the following for the proposed tentative budget for fiscal year 2014-2015: **(See Budget Supplemental Minute Book 34, Page 10)**

1. Adopt the tentative millage rate resolution: Member Hurley moved that the Board approve the tentative millage rate resolution, seconded by Member Altman. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
2. Adopt the tentative budget resolution: Member Armstrong moved that the Board approve the tentative budget resolution, seconded by Vice Chairman Luikart. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
3. Set the Final Public Hearing date on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the School Board Meeting Room at the Administrative Complex: Member Altman moved that the Board approve the Final Public Hearing date, seconded by Member Hurley. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The Chairman announced that the first public hearing on the 2014-2015 tentative annual budget was closed and resumed the regular meeting of the Board.

There were no special presentations.

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

- Alexis C., New Port Richey – student apology.
- Isaac H., Holiday – student apology.
- Breanna K., Port Richey – student apology.

Board members thanked the students for their apologies and all the parents for their support.

- Marsha Jones, Lutz – Representing Happy Tunes and other music merchants in the area. Distributed flyer to all Board members **(See Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book 401, Page 24)**. She asked all that flyers are distributed at schools at the same time and that no store is excluded. She is not asking for special endorsements. Supt. Browning advised her that the issue has been resolved and asked Vanessa Hilton, Director, Office of Teaching and Learning, to speak with her.
- Lisa Sloan, Land O'Lakes – Member of Tobacco Free Pasco and concerned parent – requested tobacco free campuses.

- Cindy Partazana, New Port Richey – Representing the West Pasco Pregnancy Center, Tobacco Free Partnership of Florida, and Healthy Start Coalition of Pasco County – requested tobacco free campuses and events.
- Andrew Gonzalez, Land O’Lakes – Representing SWAT – Reviewed smoking statistics; requested tobacco free campuses.
- Christopher Wilson, New Port Richey – Representing SWAT – Shared results of a 7-school survey regarding smoke-free campuses; requested tobacco free campuses.
- Daniel Gonzalez, Land O’Lakes – Representing SWAT – Read teacher comments from post cards that were sent out; requested tobacco free campuses.

The Chairman asked if the United School Employees of Pasco had anything to present. Ed Ronda, Business Representative, spoke:

- Commended students for sharing their position on tobacco at campuses.
- Cannot comment about ongoing negotiations.

Committee Reports:

- Member Armstrong:
 - Substitute Committee – Information on best practices will be sent out to administrators.
- Member Hurley:
 - Strategic Planning Committee – The committee is gathering data and stakeholder comments.
- Member Altman:
 - Insurance Committee – He summarized work of the committee, information will be shared in the near future.
 - Value Adjustment Board – Certified tax rolls for next year.
- Vice Chairman Luikart:
 - Strategic Planning Committee.
- Chairman Crumbley:
 - None.

(1.0) Reports, Information and Comments:

Superintendent Browning:

- Three Pasco elementary schools - Gulfside, Lacochee, and Rodney B. Cox - are on state’s “lowest performing 300” list. State law requires these schools to add one additional hour of reading instruction beyond the normal school day. Staff met over the weekend to develop a plan to meet the requirements of the law while minimizing the expense to the district of this unfunded mandate.
- A revised 2014-2015 bell schedule (Item 5F1) reflects changes to accommodate the additional hour being required in the schedule. Grades K-3 exceed the required 900 hours of instruction per year, so it will not be necessary to extend the day for those grades. Students in grades 4-5 must have a minimum of 1,080 hours of instruction annually, so the district is required to add an additional hour of reading instruction to the current schedule for those students. All of the students will start school at the same time as last year. Students in grades K-3 will end at the same time as last year, but students in grades 4-5 will have their day extended by 50 minutes. The district can use the digital classroom appropriation received from the legislature for the technology and instructional materials costs. General revenue funds will pay for teacher supplements and transportation costs. Attendance for all students in grades 4-5 is mandatory except those that scored 5 on the FCAT. This information will be relayed to parents as soon as possible.
- An addendum to Item 3B2 is being submitted to adopt a course, *“Introduction to Computers – Elementary”* for all students in grades 4-5 at the 3 schools.
- He enjoyed working and serving kids last week on the summer feeding bus out of Hudson Elementary School and invited Board members to join him at Pasco Elementary School on Thursday.

Ray Gadd:

- Great things are being accomplished with the wellness center program. He gave kudos to Kevin Shibley, staff, and Board members for “making it happen”.
- The Penny for Pasco Oversight Committee met today. This is a very involved and active committee that takes an interest in the school system, not just what is done with Penny funds. Today’s meeting included a presentation on bullying. The committee members are doing a great job for the district.
- He recognized Joanne Millovitsch and her staff for their efforts on budget work.
- Kevin Shibley reported that CareHere was on-site today. A workshop has been scheduled to update Board members about CareHere and future plans for expansion.
- John Petrashek introduced the architectural firm (Williamson and Dacar) and contractor (Ajax Corporation) for Sanders Memorial Elementary School, a magnet/STEAM school. Architect Ted Williamson presented architectural drawings of the site. The 6-classroom pod design is the new

standard. Electronic walls will open and close the classroom space when needed. Mr. Petrashek noted that we have a shared use agreement with Pasco County Parks and Recreation for the Land O'Lakes Community Center. Students will access the fields, etc., during the day, shifting back to Parks and Recreation department use in the evenings. Construction started last month and he invited Board members to stop by when they were in the area.

Amelia Van Name Larson:

- She shared additional information about the schools in the lowest 300. Data (ranking and movement) is being reviewed from the last four years. She pointed out that Lacooshee moved up in ranking this year by almost 100 points.
- Staff recommendations:
 - Cheryl Anne Grim – Assistant Principal (216), Mitchell High School;
 - Jeffrey Yungmann – Program Coordinator, Office of Teaching and Learning;
 - Hollie Cowan – Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) Specialist, Southwest Region;
 - Monique Garrison-Saylor – Assistant Principal (230), Paul R. Smith Middle School.

(2.0) The Chairman remarked that there were no expulsion recommendations tonight.

The Chairman asked Board members to identify the items on the consent agenda that they would like placed on the action agenda. Member Altman noted that he was encouraged to see the grant proposal in item 7D (*Middle School STEM Initiative*), which is partnership with the Pasco Education Foundation. The items on the **ACTION AGENDA** are as follows:

10. Resolutions - None Submitted

11. Property Acquisitions - None Submitted

12. Miscellaneous Action Items

A. Student Fees and Athletic Participation Fees - 2014-2015

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

3. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT (*See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 401, Pages 2-7*)

A. Learning Communities

1. Requests for School Field Trips
2. After School Detention Program - T.E. Weightman Middle School
3. Opportunity Hall Program - T.E. Weightman Middle School

B. Teaching and Learning

1. M/J Creative Writing Course Adoption

C. Professional Development and School Supports

1. 2014-2015 District Master Inservice Plan

D. Accountability Research and Measurement - None Submitted

E. Student Support Programs and Services

1. Disciplinary Change of Placement

F. School Field Trips - None Submitted

4. ADMINISTRATION (*See Personnel Supplemental Minute Book 80, Page 21*)

A. Human Resources and Educator Quality

1. Administrative, Instructional, Non-Instructional, and Professional Technical Personnel Recommendations

B. Employee Relations - None Submitted

C. Technology and Information Services - None Submitted

5. SUPPORT SERVICES (*See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 401, Pages 9-15*)

A. Planning Services - None Submitted

B. Construction Services

1. Architectural Services Agreement - R. B. Cox Elementary School
2. Construction Management Agreement - Sanders Memorial Elementary School

C. Food and Nutrition Services - None Submitted

D. Maintenance Services

1. Surplus Equipment
2. Quarterly Non-Capitalized Furniture and Equipment
3. School Safety and Security Self-Assessment 2013-2014

E. Purchasing Services

1. Request for Approval of Bid Recommendations, Bid Renewals, and Contracts
CONTRACTS: *American Cleaners; Royal Oaks Nursing Center; University of South Florida; Florida Department of Health*

F. Additional Support Services Items

1. School Start and End Times 2014-2015

6. FINANCE SERVICES (See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 401, Page 16)

A. Warrant Lists

7. GRANT PROPOSALS (See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 401, Pages 17-20)

A. Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS) Grant 2014-2015

B. Suncoast Credit Union Foundation Grant

C. Adults with Disabilities Grant 2014-2015

D. Pasco Education Foundation-Middle School STEM Initiative

8. ALLOCATIONS (See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 401, Page 21)

A. Allocation Changes (2014-2015): *Change - ICT Coach - RBSMS (Title I); Decrease - Tch GRMJ - CHMS (Title I); Add - Sec III Hours - FHES (Gen Revenue); Add - Early Childhood Programs (HS/EHS); Add - ECP - IA ESOL (Title III); Add - Prin Elem – SMES – ASSA; Add - ESY Infinity Camp - PRSMS (Title I); Add - IA Student Discipline - GMS (Title I); Add - Addl Summer Hours Instructional – RES (Title I)*

9. INTERNAL AUDIT (See Misc. Supplemental Minute Book 401, Page 22)

A. Audit of Gulf Highlands Elementary School's Internal Accounts – Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2010 through June 30, 2013

(12A) The Chairman presented the request for approval of Student Fees and Athletic Participation Fees - 2014-2015 (See *Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book 401, Page 23*). Member Armstrong moved that the Board approve the Student Fees and Athletic Participation Fees - 2014-2015, seconded by Member Hurley. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Individual Board members presented and discussed items:

- Member Armstrong:
 - Schrader Elementary School is moving into their new building on August 8. The Rotary Club and other community members will be on-site to assist with the move; she invited others to join them. Lunch will be provided to the volunteers.
 - Attended the 48th Annual FACTE Conference and Trade Show at Saddlebrook. She was impressed with the biomedical career academy program at Ridgewood High School.
 - Thanked the Food and Nutrition Services department for the basket of samples of vending machine items.
- Member Hurley:
 - None.
- Member Altman:
 - None.
- Vice Chairman Luikart:
 - Attended the 48th Annual FACTE Conference and Trade Show at Saddlebrook; he was impressed with the vendors and products.
- Chairman Crumbley:
 - None

Dennis Alfonso, School Board attorney, had no 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 August 12, 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 7:05 p.m.

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

APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD
IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman

August 12, 2014

Superintendent of Schools