

DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF PASCO COUNTY, FLORIDA

November 16, 2010

The District School Board of Pasco County met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 16, 2010, in the Board Room, District Office Complex, Building 3, 7205 Land O' Lakes Boulevard, Land O' Lakes, Florida. Present were Chairman Allen Altman, Vice Chairman Joanne Hurley, and Board Member Frank Parker. Members Kathryn Starkey and Cathi Martin were not present. Also present were Heather Fiorentino, Superintendent, 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 in remembrance of Jairo Hernandez, 7th grade student at Pasco Middle School and Delaney Rossman, kindergarten student at Hudson Elementary School and the men and women serving around the world.

The Chairman asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of November 2, 2010. There were none, and on motion by Member Parker, seconded by Member Hurley, the minutes were approved unanimously.

The Chairman recognized Judge Stanley Mills who conducted the swearing in ceremony. Judge Mills administered the Oath of Office and thereby swore in reelected School Board Member Allen Altman and newly elected School Board Members Alison Crumbley, Steve Luikart, and Cynthia Armstrong.

Chairman Altman thanked Judge Mills and called a recess for pictures and a reception to honor the newly elected and departing Board Members and guests.

The meeting came back to order at 6:22 p.m. and board members took their respective seats on the dais.

The Chairman presented a plaque of appreciation to Member Parker for his four-year service to the Board and expressed his gratitude for all of the departing board members.

The Chairman explained that once each year in November there is a re-organization of the School Board and at that reorganization meeting, in accordance with Florida Statutes 1001.371, the Superintendent becomes the Board Chairman until a new Chairman is selected.

Superintendent Fiorentino called for nominations for Chairman of the School Board. Member Altman nominated Joanne Hurley for Chairman of the School Board, seconded by Member Armstrong. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Fiorentino called for nominations for Vice Chairman of the School Board. Member Armstrong nominated Member Altman for Vice Chairman, seconded by Member Crumbley. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The Superintendent passed the gavel to the Chairman who announced that the next order of business was the appointment of committees. Member Altman moved that the Board approve the committee assignments as distributed, seconded by Member Luikart. Member Armstrong was assigned as alternate for the Value Adjustment Board, if necessary. Attorney Alfonso will verify if an alternate is required to sit on that board. Member Luikart suggested forming a new committee for "CCTE/Vocational Education". The Superintendent and Rob Aguis, Director of CCTE explained the history of this committee and the interaction with PEDC. Member Luikart

and Mr. Aguis will meet with the PEDC and will keep the board apprised. There was no further discussion and on vote the motion carried unanimously to set the district committees for 2010-2011 as follows:

School Board Membership On District Committees 2010-2011

Committee Title	Person In Charge	Board Member's Name
Architect Selection Committee	John Petrashek	Alison Crumbley
Charter School Task Force	Nancy Scowcroft	Joanne Hurley
Code of Student Conduct	Lizette Alexander	Steve Luikart
Communication Committee	John Mann	Alison Crumbley
Construction Manager Selection/Design Build	John Petrashek	Joanne Hurley
Energy Management Committee	John Soler	Steve Luikart
Family Involvement Steering Committee	Randee Williams	Alison Crumbley
Insurance Committee	Mary Tillman	Allen Altman
Legislative Liaison (FSBA)	N/A	Joanne Hurley Cynthia Armstrong – Alt.
Local Planning Agency	N/A	Alison Crumbley
Pasco Education Foundation Board	Chip Wichmanowski	Allen Altman Steve Luikart (Alt.)
Pasco Instructional Technology Committee	Wendy Spriggs/TBA	Steve Luikart
District Vision Committee	Dave Scanga/Peggy Jones	Joanne Hurley
Property Value Adjustment Board	N/A	Allen Altman Cynthia Armstrong (if 2 needed)
Site Selection Committee	Chris Williams	Allen Altman
Substitute Committee	Pat Sinclair	Cynthia Armstrong
Health & Wellness Initiatives Committee - Staff	Saybra Chapman	Cynthia Armstrong
Wellness Policy Council – Students	Saybra Chapman/Julie Hedine	Cynthia Armstrong
Rtl Task Force	Amelia VanName Larson	Steve Luikart
Investment Committee	John Simon	Cynthia Armstrong
Project Review Team	Gerry Brown	Allen Altman
Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Committee	Renalia DuBose/Ann Altman	Joanne Hurley

Member Altman moved that the Board set the School Board meeting dates on the first and third Tuesday of each month, with the first Tuesday to be held at 9:30 a.m. and the third Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. Member Armstrong seconded the motion and on vote the motion carried unanimously.

The Chairman called for a motion to approve the appointment of the school board attorney. Member Luikart moved that the law firm McClain, Alfonso, Meeker and Dunn be retained as the School Board attorney, seconded by Member Armstrong. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. John Mann, Director of Leadership Development, coordinated the special presentations as follows:

- Recognition of \$50,000 Grant Donation by Progress Energy *Power to Protect Program*
- Recognition of the Florida Council for the Social Studies Teacher of the Year Awards

The Chairman called a brief recess for pictures and the meeting came back to order at 6:54 p.m.

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

- Patrick Connolly, Land O'Lakes High School teacher welcomed the new Board members and spoke on negotiations. He acknowledged the State issues with the lack of funding and feels it is unfortunate that administration is not acknowledging financial stresses of staff the past three years. He feels the misuse of EduJobs monies for other purposes other than salaries and benefits is fraud and doesn't feel the funds should be held for next year's funding cliff.
- Robert Marsh, Land O'Lakes High School teacher objects to policy 3112-A as he feels it is a violation of his first amendment rights. Regarding contract negotiations, he feels EduJobs monies should be used for staff salaries. He faulted local legislators for their non-support of public education.

The Chairman recognized a Boy Scout "Josh" in the audience who is working on his merit badge and "Sarah", online student from Wiregrass Ranch High School.

The Chairman asked if the United School Employees of Pasco had anything to present.

- Kenny Blankenship, Secretary/Treasure of USEP was representing Lynne Webb. He congratulated the new Board members and discussed the many complex issues confronting the District. USEP provided each Board Member with a copy of "The Death and Life of the American School System" book. He summarized the book and requested that the books be donated to professional libraries at a school after they have read them.
- Jim Ciadella, Business Representative of USEP welcomed new Board Members and commended them for assuming these positions during difficult times. He said the District was formally notified by USEP that they are imposing impasse. He remarked that USEP cannot accept the unwillingness of the Superintendent and staff to use \$14 million in EduJob monies for current year salaries and benefits.

Committee Reports:

Chairman Hurley:

- Vision Committee Meeting

1.0) Reports, Information and Comments:

- 1.1 2010-2011 School Advisory Council Membership (SAC) Report – **Information**
- 1.2 Grants Summary Report – Quarter 1 July – September 2010 - **Information**

Superintendent Fiorentino:

- Reminder of the Great American Teach In on November 18
- Pulled item 6.2 - Chasco Elementary/Chasco Middle Schools Right of Entry Agreement to Environmental Waste Control, Inc.
- There was consensus of the Board, at the Superintendent's request for Dr. Wayne Blanton, Executive Director of the Florida School Boards Association to hold an orientation workshop for new board members on December 21, 2010 from 3:00-5:00 p.m.
- Noted that there will be a closed Executive Session of the Board immediately following tonight's meeting regarding negotiations.

Ruth Reilly:

- Distributed corrections to the grant summary report
- Discussed the Race to the Top Summary. Paper copies will be sent to Board Members. One more round of feedback may be coming

(2.0) The Chairman announced that there were no expulsion recommendations this evening.

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:

12.0 Proclamations/Resolutions

- 12.1 Proclamation Declaring November 2010 as *Florida Family Engagement in Education Month*
- 12.2 Resolution Proclaiming *America Recycles Day*

11.0 Out of State Travel for Staff – “Strategic Intervention” Convention

(3.0 – 11.0) The Chairman asked for a motion to approve all other items on the consent agenda. Member Altman moved that the Board approve all items on the consent agenda with the exception of 6.2 and 11.0. Member Luikart seconded the motion, and on vote the motion carried unanimously to approve the **CONSENT AGENDA** as follows:

3.0 Human Resources (See Personnel Supplemental Minute Book _____, Page _____.)

- 3.1 Instructional and Administrative Personnel Recommendations
- 3.2 Noninstructional Personnel Recommendations

4.0 Students (See Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book _____, Page _____.)

- 4.1 Change of Placement
- 4.2 River Ridge High School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Students to Participate in the FBLA Leadership Conference in West Palm Beach, Florida November 19-21, 2010, Funding: Student Contributions and FBLA Internal Funds
- 4.3 J.W. Mitchell High School Band Students to Participate in the Tri-State Honor Group at Florida State University in Tallahassee, Florida December 2-5, 2010, Funding: Student Contributions and Band Internal Funds
- 4.4 Ridgewood High School Students to Participate in the University of South Florida’s Festival of Winds in Tampa, Florida December 2-5, 2010, Funding: Student Contributions
- 4.5 Hudson High School Boys Basketball Students to Participate in a Basketball Shootout in Jacksonville, Florida November 27-28, 2010, Funding: Basketball Internal Funds -
- 4.6 Hudson High School Boys Basketball Students to Participate in the Adidas Invitational Tournament in Miami, Florida December 27-30, 2010, Funding: Basketball Internal Funds -
- 4.7 Pine View Middle School Future Farmers of America Class to Travel to Haines City, Florida December 10-11, 2010, Funding: Student Contributions

5.0 Requests for Use of Facilities (See Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book _____, Page _____.)

6.0 Construction Services and Code Compliance/Planning/Facility Maintenance Services and Transportation (See Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book _____, Page _____.)

- 6.1 Construction and Maintenance of a Lift Station for the City of Dade City at Pasco High School
- 6.2 Chasco Elementary School/Chasco Middle School – Right of Entry Agreement to Environmental Waste Control, Inc. –**PULLED NO ACTION TAKEN**

7.0 Business/Finance (See Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book _____, Page _____.)

- 7.1 Update of School Board Accounts Due to Board Reorganization and Approval of the Use of Current Board Chairman’s Signature
- 7.2 Surplus Equipment
- 7.3 Interim Financial Statements 7/1-7/31/10
- 7.4 Interim Financial Statements 7/1-8/31/10
- 7.5 Budget Amendments #1-7 for July 2010
- 7.6 Budget Amendments #8-12 for August 2010
- 7.7 Warrant Lists
- 7.8 Requisitions and Related Contracts – **None Submitted**
- 7.9 Bids and Related Contracts
Contracts: LP New Port Richey, LC d/b/a Southern Pines Healthcare Center; Plato’s Closet; Sports and Play It Again Sports; Spaceship Earth Academy; Daycare & Preschool; University Financial Aid Solutions

8.0 Grant Proposals – None Submitted

9.0 Allocations (See Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book _____, Page _____.)

- 9.1 2010-2011 Title III, After-School/FLASH Programs, Funding: Title III
- 9.2 Allocation Funding Changes (Student Services, LES/CAES, MTEC)

10.0 Agreements/Contracts (including any addenda) – None Submitted

(11.0) The Chairman presented the request for approval of Out of State Travel for Staff – “Strategic Intervention” Convention (See Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book _____, Page _____.) Member Luikart received clarification on the number of staff, location and funding for the travel request. Member Luikart moved that the Board approve the request for out of state travel, seconded by Member Armstrong. On vote the motion carried unanimously.

(12.1) The Chairman presented the request for approval of the Proclamation Declaring November 2010 as *Florida Family Engagement in Education Month* (See Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book _____, Page _____.) Member Altman moved that the Board approve the Proclamation, seconded by Member Crumbley. On vote the motion carried unanimously.

(12.2) The Chairman presented the request for approval of the Resolution Proclaiming *America Recycles Day* (See Miscellaneous Supplemental Minute Book _____, Page _____.) Member Crumbley moved that the Board approve the Resolution, seconded by Member Armstrong. On vote the motion carried unanimously.

Individual Board members presented and discussed items.

Member Armstrong:

- Connerton Elementary School Dedication

Member Altman:

- Connerton Elementary School Dedication. Remarked on the Co-Location efforts
- Spoke on recent School Board campaign promises and suggested the need to gather together once a year to discuss ideas and share experiences from the five Board Members

Chairman Hurley:

- Connerton Elementary School Dedication

Attorney Alfonso spoke on hearing date regarding litigation on Marcus Button claims bill before the legislature on December 5, 2010. He is available to answer any questions the Board may have on this issue.

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 December 7, 2010 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 7:26 p.m.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: November 16, 2010 7:30p.m.

The Board met in a closed executive session on *negotiations*. The session was held in the Preview Room at the District Office Complex, Building 3. Present were Board Members Allen Altman, Joanne Hurley, Steve Luikart, Alison Crumbley and Cynthia Armstrong; Heather Fiorentino, Superintendent; Dennis Alfonso, School Board Attorney; Renalia DuBose,

Assistant Superintendent for Administration; Ruth Reilly, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instructional Services; Jim Davis, Assistant Superintendent for High, Adult and Alternative Schools; Tina Tiede, Assistant Superintendent for Middle Schools; Dave Scanga, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Schools; Kevin Shibley, Bryan Jack and Betsy Kuhn, Employee Relations Department.

The Executive Session concluded at 9:15 p.m.

BY THE SCHOOL BOARD
IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman

Superintendent