

DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF PASCO COUNTY, FLORIDA

January 17, 2017

The District School Board of Pasco County met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 17, 2017, in the Boardroom, District Office Complex, Building 3, 7205 Land O' Lakes Boulevard, Land O' Lakes, Florida. Present were Chairman Allen Altman, Vice Chairman Cynthia Armstrong, and Board Members Colleen Beaudoin, Alison Crumbley, and Steve Luikart. 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 Luikart and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Chairman asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Jack Greene, retired (Supervisor, Transportation), Gage Traver, first grade student at Chasco Elementary School, and Helen Geisler, ESE teacher, Hudson Elementary School.

The Chairman asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of December 20, 2016, and workshop of December 20, 2016. There were none, and on motion by Member Crumbley, seconded by Vice Chairman Armstrong, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Due to the anticipated length of public hearings, the Chairman said that special presentations would be heard first tonight.

Linda Cobbe, Director of Communications, coordinated the special presentation(s) as follows:

- Penny for Pasco Oversight Committee - Annual Report 2016
- 2016-2017 Outstanding Youth, Adult and Senior Volunteers:
 - *Avalon Moorehead, Gulfside Elementary School - Youth Category*
 - *Rebecca Rattee, Cypress Elementary School - Adult Category*
 - *Will Neubauerr, Veterans Elementary School - Senior Category*

The Chairman called a break for pictures and the meeting came back to order at 6:20 p.m.

The Chairman opened the Second Reading of *2017-18 District Controlled Open Enrollment Plan (School Choice)*. Dennis Alfonso, School Board attorney, stated that notice of this hearing has been posted on the District's web site. The first reading was held on December 6, 2016. He asked if there was anyone in the audience who would like to speak on this item. No one came forward. Vice Chairman Armstrong moved that the Board approve the Second Reading of the *2017-18 District Controlled Open Enrollment Plan (School Choice)*, seconded by Member Beaudoin. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The Chairman opened the Second Reading of the 2017-2018 School Attendance Boundaries. He recommended accommodating all speaking requests but limiting each person to 90 seconds, starting with speakers left over from the last School Board meeting. Vice Chairman Armstrong moved that the speaking time per person be reduced from 3 minutes to 90 seconds and that all speaking requests will be honored, seconded by Member Beaudoin. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Browning commented on the rezoning process. He said the process is difficult because of the impact to students, families, staff, and communities. He highlighted the timeline process, noting that he and staff continued to research data and input from community members. He acknowledged Member Luikart's concerns but said that moving students by levels only would challenge school capacity and funding. He has a duty to taxpayers and is not changing his initial recommendations to the Board. He and staff will work to get an increase in impact fees approved by the Board of County Commissioners - an important piece of the school funding picture due to a lack of capital funding for new school construction. He put several outrageous allegations regarding himself and the Board to rest. For the efficient operations of schools and the best interests of students and the community, his recommendations are:

1. Approve the Bexley Elementary School rezoning as recommended by the Committee;
2. Approve Map 13 for Cypress Creek Middle/High School;
3. Approve Map 4A2 as recommended by the Committee without Areas 1-4;
4. Approve Areas 1-4 to be rezoned for the 2018-19 School Year.

He and staff will continue on a plan to better authenticate student addresses. The District was notified last week that the Cambridge Program has been approved for Anclote High, Paul R. Smith Middle, and San Antonio Elementary schools. Pending Board approval, the District will take the necessary steps to ensure a smooth transition to new schools. He confirmed that rising seniors and 8th graders would remain at their existing school.

Attorney Alfonso announced the public comment portion on the Second Reading of the *2017-2018 School Attendance Boundaries*. The first public hearing was held on December 6, 2016. Notice of this hearing has been posted on the District website and in publications in compliance with Florida Statutes 120.54.

He noted that the Board has already received public comment and participation on the pending school boundaries issues at the board meetings of September 6 and 20, October 4 and 18, November 1, 15, and 22, December 6, and at the first public hearing on December 20, 2016. Board members received written materials at each of those meetings (except for December 6). Individual Board members have been inundated with hundreds of letters, emails, and materials from individuals outside of regularly scheduled board meetings, including links to social media, which to the extent considered by Board members, shall be included in the record. Included in such reports are comments of communications in which certain individuals and groups have been encouraged to interfere with the proceedings by monopolizing or filibustering public comment time.

District staff facilitated work sessions for the committees to develop options, which were noticed and open to the public. Materials were received from the public at those meetings and made available to District staff, the committee, and Superintendent for consideration. Board members were invited, and when circumstances allowed, participated or attended such meetings.

Meetings for Cypress Creek Middle/High School were held on September 16 and 29, October 20, and December 2; a parent meeting was held on November 29. Meetings for Bexley Elementary School were held on September 26, October 13, and November 29; a parent meeting was held on November 1. Meetings for the west side were held on October 5 and 26, November 7 and 17; a parent meeting was held on November 14. Board members attended several of those meetings. This record will include the minutes of such meetings, which have been available to Board members, the Superintendent, Superintendent staff, and posted for public viewing and comment.

There are three separate public hearings; anyone wishing to speak on an issue should complete a yellow speaking request card. He said that in accordance with Board policy and hearing rules adopted at the December 20, 2016, Board meeting, each speaker will be allowed 90 seconds to speak unless an extension is granted by the Board Chairman. The Chairman may interrupt any speaker not following reasonable decorum; all speakers are asked to state their name and address for the record.

Public comments regarding west side rezoning began at 6:42 p.m. The Chairman called the speakers left from the last Board meeting first. The following individuals spoke:

- Carla Stevens, New Port Richey
- Katie Beckett, New Port Richey
- Kathy Spenard, New Port Richey
- Crystal Kitchen, private address
- Joseph Mayer, New Port Richey
- Harold Behar, private address
- Jennifer Mosberg, New Port Richey
- Kim Hamm, New Port Richey
- Tommy Hertel, New Port Richey
- Bret Tobey and Campbell Tobey, New Port Richey
- Shannon Hancock, New Port Richey
- Clint Babcock, New Port Richey
- Donna Babcock, New Port Richey
- Heather Goldstein, New Port Richey
- Whitney Galley, New Port Richey

Public comments regarding west side rezoning ended at 7:11 p.m.

Superintendent Browning left the meeting due to illness; Deputy Superintendent Ray Gadd took his place on the dais for the remainder of the meeting.

Vice Chairman Armstrong moved that the Board approve Superintendent Browning's recommendation for *2017-2018 School Attendance Boundaries - J.W. Mitchell High School*, seconded by Member Beaudoin. Board members all agreed that this has been an arduous, heartbreaking process with tough decisions to be made, knowing that not everyone will be happy with the decision. After due consideration, deliberation, and discussion by Board members, on vote, the motion carried 4 to 1, with Member Luikart casting the nay vote.

There was a short recess and the meeting reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

The Chairman announced that two speaking request cards for the west side zoning hearing were mixed up with the east side rezoning cards and allowed them to speak:

- Kristi Sims, New Port Richey (she also spoke on behalf of Marsha Mager, who did not speak)

Attorney Alfonso said that prior notice was given for all three hearings and prior opportunities for public input. At the December 20 meeting, the board acted to allow 90 seconds per speaker, which was reaffirmed tonight, allowing the same opportunity for all speakers. He reminded speakers to state their name and address for the record.

Public comments on east side boundaries began at 7:54 p.m. The following individuals spoke:

- Elizabeth Kim-Qunito, Wesley Chapel
- Michelle Rizzo, Wesley Chapel
- Steve McLeod, Wesley Chapel
- Janine Ali, Wesley Chapel
- Kalyani Mulukutula, Wesley Chapel
- Zulma Cristancho, Wesley Chapel
- Charles Greene, Wesley Chapel
- Amanda Breslow, Wesley Chapel
- Kraig Keys, Wesley Chapel
- Kate Fletcher, Wesley Chapel
- Denise Nicholas, Wesley Chapel
- Angela Ng, Wesley Chapel
- Bethany Dixon, Wesley Chapel
- Francesca Huber, Wesley Chapel
- Larondar Stone, Wesley Chapel
- Julie Nodine, Wesley Chapel
- Jack Hua, Wesley Chapel
- Claudine Judge, Wesley Chapel
- Lyle Knickrohm, Wesley Chapel
- Stacey Knickrohm, Wesley Chapel
- Theodore Rhodes, Wesley Chapel
- Ross Andel – Wesley Chapel
- Donnetta Horseman, Wesley Chapel
- Marietta Munier, Wesley Chapel
- Zachary Besso, Wesley Chapel
- Hollie Perkins, Wesley Chapel
- Victor Ng, Wesley Chapel
- Ronni Beckwith, Wesley Chapel
- Tina Dasaw, Wesley Chapel

Public comments regarding east side rezoning ended at 8:42 p.m.

Vice Chairman Armstrong moved that the Board approve Superintendent Browning's recommendation for the *2017-2018 School Attendance Boundaries - Cypress Creek Middle/High School*, seconded by Member Crumbley. Board members again agreed that this has been a tough decision and the process was not taken lightly and that not everyone will be happy with the decision. After due consideration, deliberation, and discussion by Board members, on vote, the motion carried 4 to 1, with Member Luikart casting the nay vote.

The Chairman opened the Second Reading of *2017-2018 School Attendance Boundaries - Bexley Elementary School* and noted there were no yellow speaking request cards. Member Crumbley moved that the Board approve Superintendent Browning's recommendation of the *2017-2018 School Attendance Boundaries - Bexley Elementary School*, seconded by Member Beaudoin. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

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

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

- Commended the Board on the rezoning process and complimented parents who participated.
- Regarding impasse, they are in process of selecting dates for the special magistrate hearing to be held in February or March.
- Distributed a copy of a resolution from the American Federation of Teachers offering public support for public education; suggested that the Board file the resolution jointly with USEP.

Committee Reports:

- Member Luikart:
 - None.
- Member Crumbley:
 - None.
- Member Beaudoin:
 - None.
- Vice Chairman Armstrong:
 - Health and Wellness Incentive Committee – finished the strategic plan and data points to assess progress.
- Chairman Altman:
 - None.

(1.0) Reports, Information and Comments:

Deputy Superintendent:

- Ray Gadd:
 - A resolution was passed at the recent County Commission meeting to establish a 10-member impact fee committee. The resolution also establishes protocol for the committee meetings and the selection of participants. The Commission will entertain recommendations from School Board members from the respective districts. District concerns, which were expressed to the Commission, include (1) the Commission accepting committee names from School Board members, and (2) the 10-12 month time frame to reach a decision (we think it could be done by July 1). Board members should hear from a commissioner soon.
 - The Memorandum of Understanding with Pasco Hernando State College (PHSC) for a performing arts center at the Cypress Creek Middle/High site was approved at the PHSC Board meeting tonight; the planning teams will meet soon; more information will be forthcoming.
- Kevin Shibley: No comments.
- Betsy Kuhn: No comments.
- Olga Swinson: Noted that Item 7E (*Comprehensive Annual Financial Report - Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016*) includes an unqualified opinion from the auditor.
- Tammy Berryhill: Introduced Danielle Johnson, principal, Wesley Chapel High School.
- Monica Ilse: Reminded Board members of the secondary STEM day that will be held on February 4, 2017, at Wesley Chapel High School.
- Dave Scanga: The New School Task Force met today to start developing plans for the opening of Bexley Elementary and Cypress Middle/High schools; on track for opening in August.

(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. The items on the **ACTION AGENDA** are as follows:

11. Resolutions - None Submitted

12. Property Acquisitions - None Submitted

13. Miscellaneous Action Items - None Submitted

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

3. LEARNING COMMUNITIES

A. After School Program - FSA Reading Workshop - Zephyrhills High School

B. School Field Trips

4. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

A. Teaching and Learning

1. School Choice Change of Placement

2. Out-of-State Travel - Magnet Schools Grant Writing Workshop - Washington, D.C.

B. Professional Development and School Supports - None Submitted

C. Accountability Research and Measurement - None Submitted

D. Student Support Programs and Services

1. Disciplinary Change of Placement

- 2. Out-of-State Travel - Center for School Improvement Leadership Institute – New York
- E. Early Childhood
 - 1. Head Start/Early Head Start - Procedures for Shared Decision-Making
 - 2. Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection and Enrollment Procedures 2017-2018
 - 3. Out-of-State Travel - Managing Infant Mental Health Services - New Mexico
 - 4. Out-of-State Travel - New Head Start Performance Standards Training - Georgia
- 5. ADMINISTRATION**
 - A. Human Resources and Educator Quality
 - 1. Personnel Recommendations
 - B. Employee Relations - None Submitted
 - C. Technology and Information Services - None Submitted
- 6. SUPPORT SERVICES**
 - A. Planning Services
 - 1. Penny for Pasco Oversight Committee - Member Renewal 2017-2018
 - 2. Cell Tower Lease Extension - Dr. John Long Middle School
 - B. Construction Services
 - 1. Certificate of Final Inspection – Quail Hollow Elementary School
 - 2. Certificate of Final Inspection – Building 4, District Office
 - C. Food and Nutrition Services
 - 1. Out-Of-State-Travel - Food and Nutrition Services Technology Review - Texas
 - D. Maintenance Services
 - 1. Surplus Equipment
 - 2. Quarterly Non-Capitalized Surplus Furniture and Equipment
 - E. Purchasing Services (Date/Time: January 10, 2017; 14:00:00)
 - 1. Bid Recommendations
 - 2. Miscellaneous Approval Requests
 - 3. Solicitations and Contract Renewals
 - 4. Use of Facilities
 - F. Additional Support Services Items
- 7. FINANCE SERVICES**
 - A. Interim Financials for All Fund Types 07/01/2016 through 11/30/2016
 - B. 2016-2017 Budget Amendments #29 through #35 - November 2016
 - C. Warrant Lists
 - D. Payroll Expenditures - December 2016 and Authorization to Expend Funds - January 2017
 - E. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016)
- 8. GRANT PROPOSALS**
 - A. Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Grant
- 9. ALLOCATIONS**
 - A. Allocation Changes (2016-2017):
 - Fund Change - Sr Child Care Asst-RBSMS to RBCES (PLACE, 21st CCLC)*
 - Add - Tch Music .4-JWMHS (AP funds)*
- 10. INTERNAL AUDIT**
 - A. Review of Sunlake High School Athletic Booster Club – Final Report

Individual Board members presented and discussed items:

- Member Luikart:
 - None.
- Member Crumbley:
 - None.
- Member Beaudoin:
 - Attended the Pasco County Council PTA Art Showcase.
 - Toured Wiregrass Elementary School.
- Vice Chairman Armstrong:
 - Will be attending FSBA Day in the Legislature on March 29-30, 2017.
- Chairman Altman:
 - Toured Cypress Creek Middle/High School.
 - Reminded Board members of the Legislative Delegation meeting tomorrow at Sunlake High School.

Dennis Alfonso, School Board attorney, updated Board members on the status of the Hercules property contract, which is complicated due to the number of agreements with the county. Ray Gadd met with the developers, who are working with the district in good faith.

The Chairman announced that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is February 7, 2017, at 9:30 a.m.

There was no further business to come before the Board, and upon motion by Vice Chairman Armstrong, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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

SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP: January 17, 2017, 4:38 p.m.

TOPIC: Head Start Policy Council

The Board met for a workshop session in the boardroom at the District Office Complex, Building 3. Present were Board Members Allen Altman, Cynthia Armstrong, Alison Crumbley, Colleen Beaudoin and Steve Luikart; Kurt S. Browning, Superintendent; Dennis Alfonso, School Board Attorney; Ray Gadd, Deputy Superintendent; Olga Swinson, Chief Finance Officer; Kevin Shibley, Asst. Supt. for Administration; Betsy Kuhn, Asst. Supt. for Support Services; Kim Poe, Strategic Initiatives and Allocations Program Manager, Dave Scanga, Tammy Berryhill, and Monica Ilse, Area Superintendents; Linda Cobbe, Communications Director; Jeff Solochek, Tampa Bay Times.

Angela Porterfield, Director, Early Childhood Programs, introduced Victoria Gunther, Policy Council representative in attendance at the workshop. Topics discussed during the workshop included an overview of Shared Governance; the new Head Start/Early Head Start Performance Standards; and Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, and Attendance (ERSEA) Final Rule Training.

Peggy Facemire, Recording Secretary to the Board, presented an overview of BoardDocs, the new electronic agenda program that will begin in February.

The workshop concluded at 5:15 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD
IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman

February 7, 2017

Superintendent of Schools