

DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF PASCO COUNTY, FLORIDA
September 1, 2015

The District School Board of Pasco County met in regular session at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 1, 2015, in the Board Room, District Office Complex, Building 3, 7205 Land O' Lakes Boulevard, Land O' Lakes, Florida. Present were Chairman Steve Luikart, Vice Chairman Joanne Hurley, and Board Members Allen Altman, Cynthia Armstrong, and Alison Crumbley. 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 Armstrong and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Chairman asked for a moment of silence and personal reflection.

The Chairman asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meetings of August 3, 2015, August 4, 2015, and August 18, 2015, and workshop of August 18, 2015. There were none, and on motion by Vice Chairman Hurley, seconded by Member Armstrong, the minutes were approved unanimously.

The Chairman opened the First Reading on the DSBPC Policies Update - Volume 15, No. 1. Attorney Alfonso stated that notice of this hearing has been posted on the District's web site. Chairman Luikart asked if there was anyone in the audience who would like to speak on this item. No one came forward. Member Armstrong moved that the Board approve the first reading of the DSBPC Policies Update - Volume 15, No. 1, seconded by Member Crumbley. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

There were no special presentations.

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

- Kris D., Hudson – student apology. Board members thanked his mother for her support.

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

- Reported the recent passing of Gail Hollingsworth, retired instructional assistant at Anclote Elementary School and USEP building representative.
- Board members approved the contract ratification at the last School Board meeting; the USEP Rep Council will vote tonight to recommend ratification to the bargaining units; he expects a positive outcome. Votes will be counted at 4:30 p.m. on September 17, 2015, at USEP and all are invited to watch the count.

Committee Reports:

- Member Armstrong:
 - Investment Oversight Committee – received updates on investments, discussion on a new 2015-2016 bond issue, CNG filling station and other transportation issues, and discussion on a change related to the investment management service contract – the current company is leaving the Florida market.
- Member Crumbley:
 - None.
- Member Altman:
 - None.
- Vice Chairman Hurley:
 - None.
- Chairman Luikart:
 - None.

(1.0) Reports, Information and Comments:

Superintendent Browning:

- Reported a great start to the 2015-2016 school year. He has heard many positive comments from staff and parents; he thanked district and school-based staff for working hard to make this a reality.
- Participated in a conference call this morning with the Commissioner of Education regarding the validity study of the FSA. The FSA was found to be valid; scores will be released soon.

Deputy Superintendent:

- Ray Gadd:
 - Also reported it was a smooth start to the school year; he thanked all staff for their efforts. The Transportation Call Center worked well again this year.
 - Construction timelines for High School GGG and other elementary schools are looking good.
- Kevin Shibley:
 - Reviewed addenda distributed to Board members related to Item 9A (Allocations).
- Ray Bonti:
 - Reported that the Transportation Call Center was a huge success this year – 100 volunteers answered over 1,900 phone calls on the first day of school alone.
 - Thanked Lt. Bill Davis for providing deputies during dismissal at many elementary schools last week; it was a big help.
 - Thanked Nicole Westmoreland for her efforts in obtaining an executed agreement from the University of South Florida for 2016 graduation ceremonies.
- Olga Swinson: No comments.
- Vanessa Hilton:
 - Thanked district staff for their on-site support to schools during planning week and the first week of school.
 - She asked Angela Porterfield to introduce Dessica Veum – Supervisor, Early Childhood Programs.
- Area Superintendents:
 - Staff recommendations:
 - Charlene Tidd - Principal, West Zephrhills Elementary School.
 - Pam Willoughby - Assistant Principal, Pasco eSchool.
 - Dr. Toni Zetzsche - Principal, River Ridge High School.
 - Monica Ilse also recognized staff for their efforts in making the start of school successful.

(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

A. Proclamation - Suicide Prevention Awareness Week

12. Property Acquisitions - None Submitted

13. Miscellaneous Action Items - None Submitted

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 Armstrong seconded the motion, and on vote the motion carried unanimously to approve the **CONSENT AGENDA** as follows:

3. LEARNING COMMUNITIES

A. School Field Trips

4. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

A. Teaching and Learning

1. School Choice Change of Placement

2. Out-of-State Travel - AVID Elementary District Leadership Training - South Carolina

B. Professional Development and School Supports - None Submitted

C. Accountability Research and Measurement - None Submitted

D. Student Support Programs and Services - None Submitted

5. ADMINISTRATION

A. Human Resources and Educator Quality

1. Personnel Recommendations (including addenda)

2. Fall Academic and Athletic Supplement Recommendations

B. Employee Relations - None Submitted

C. Technology and Information Services - None Submitted

6. SUPPORT SERVICES

A. Planning Services

1. Agricultural Lease - Scheublein Property

B. Construction Services - None Submitted

C. Food and Nutrition Services - None Submitted

D. Maintenance Services

1. Surplus Equipment
- E. Purchasing Services

1. Purchasing Recommendation Summary Sheet
Date/Time: August 25, 2015; 14:59:00

CONTRACTS: *Bayonet Point Health and Rehabilitation Center; Infinity Blended Instruction; Learning Sciences International*

2. Use of Facilities
3. Request to Negotiate Administration of the Employee Assistance Program

7. FINANCE SERVICES

- A. Warrant Lists

8. GRANT PROPOSALS

- A. Title I Part A - Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged 2015-2016

9. ALLOCATIONS

- A. Allocation Changes (2015-2016): (including addenda)

Add - Ad Ttl I Inst Mig, Ad Inst Ttl III ESOL-DSFP (Title I, Title III)

Add - Teacher Avid-RBSMS, AHS, ZHS, GMS (General Revenue)

Add - Teacher Avid-PHS, CHMS, PMS, PRSMS (General Revenue)

Add - Teacher Avid-RHS (General Revenue)

Add - Lunch Rm Monitor-AHS, ODES (FNS)

10. INTERNAL AUDIT - None Submitted

(11A) The Chairman presented the request for approval of a *Proclamation - Suicide Prevention Awareness Week*. Member Altman moved that the Board approve the Proclamation - Suicide Prevention Awareness Week, seconded by Vice Chairman Hurley. Member Altman expressed his concerns on the number of students that were Baker Acted last year. He said that staff continues to deal with students with suicidal thoughts every day and asks that we remind community leaders and legislators about the obstacles that students face daily. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Individual Board members presented and discussed items:

- Member Armstrong:
 - None.
- Member Crumbley:
 - Attended the ribbon cutting at AMI Kids Pasco.
 - Attended open house at Sanders Memorial Elementary School.
 - Attended adult education graduation at River Ridge High School.
- Member Altman:
 - Attended the ribbon cutting at AMI Kids Pasco.
 - Toured Quail Hollow Elementary School; commended staff on their teamwork and enthusiasm. The transformation of the facility is amazing.
 - Visited nine other schools on opening day; it was the smoothest opening day in years. He thanked staff for their efforts, stating that the additional district support was very effective.
- Vice Chairman Hurley:
 - Attended open houses at Quail Hollow and Sanders Memorial Elementary Schools. It was gratifying to see former staff at the Sanders opening.
 - Attended adult education graduation at Wesley Chapel High School; the student speaker delivered a powerful message on how she turned her life around.
- Chairman Luikart:
 - Visited several schools during opening week; he congratulated staff for their efforts on a smooth start to school.

Dennis Alfonso, School Board attorney, reported that a Level IV grievance appeal hearing (Carrie Page) is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. on September 15, 2015. Joint exhibits will be distributed to Board members prior to the hearing. This is primarily a dispute regarding interpretation of the Instructional Master Contract. He stated that the matter would be heard, the Board will deliberate and then direct a response within fifteen days. A decision will be announced at the following School Board meeting. This is not a closed hearing.

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 September 15, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.

There was no further business to come before the Board, and upon motion by Member Altman, the meeting was adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

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

APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD
IN OPEN SESSION

Chairman

September 15, 2015

Superintendent of Schools