



Duval County Public Schools

April 13, 2010, Board Workshop

Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Chairman
Ms. Nancy Broner, Vice-Chairman
Ms. Martha Barrett
Ms. Betty Burney
Ms. Vicki Drake
Mr. W. C. Gentry
Mr. Tommy Hazouri
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent

ATTENDANCE AT THIS WORKSHOP OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD: All Board Members were present. Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent, and Ms. Karen Chastain, Assistant General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, were also present.

Call Meeting To Order

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Minutes:

The Chairman called the Board Workshop to order at 10:06 a.m.

Items To Be Discussed

[1. BOARD-SUPERINTENDENT GOVERNANCE TEAM](#)

Minutes:

The following items were discussed:

- Senate Bill 6 - this bill relates to teacher compensation and tenure - the Resolution approved by the Board at their April 12, 2010, Board Meeting requesting that the Governor veto this bill was transmitted by the Superintendent this morning. Martin Miller, our Legislative Consultant in Tallahassee, will also hand deliver a copy to the Governor.
- Superintendent's Evaluation & Contract - the Superintendent will check with our Research & Evaluation office on when all of the test score data will be available for the annual evaluation. The Chairman will make a statement at an upcoming Board meeting as to the timing.
- Policy Work - Board Vice-Chairman Broner will coordinate a list of policies which the Board will address in the next few months. These policies will include those tied to our CRSS Sustainability work, as well as others which the Board members and staff would like to review. The goal is to have this work completed by August 2010.
- Board Member Gentry reminded the group of the Education rally in Friendship Park and encouraged everyone to get the word out to the community to come out and show their support.

Speakers:

Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Chairman
 Ms. Nancy Broner, Board Vice-Chairman
 Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member
 Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent
 Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member
 Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member
 Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member

2. MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT - COMMUNICATIONS

Minutes:

Ms. Jill Johnson, Director of Communications, made a Management Oversight presentation to the Board on the Communications Office. Ms. Johnson introduced staff members and explained the functions of the office and staff.

Speakers:

Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Chairman
 Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent
 Ms. Jill Johnson, Director, Communications
 Ms. Nancy Broner, Board Vice-Chairman
 Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member
 Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member
 Ms. Vicki Drake, Board Member
 Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member
 Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member

3. SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GRANT

Minutes:

Ms. Kathy LeRoy, Chief Academic Officer, provided the Board with information on the School Improvement Grant, a copy of which is attached to the Minutes. Staff will provide the Board with more information on where the funding will come from for this grant.

Speakers:

Mr. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Chairman
Ms. Kathy LeRoy, Chief Academic Officer
Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member
Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member
Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent
Ms. Pat Willis, Deputy Superintendent
Ms. Nancy Broner, Board Vice-Chairman

4. ACCELERATION PROGRAMS

Minutes:

The Board was provided information on the Acceleration Programs. A copy of the presentation is attached to the Minutes. The Board members requested that staff keep them informed of the various events during the year associated with this program. Various members indicated that they would make themselves available to help with marketing opportunities, and encouraged staff to use the many resources in the community to assist in this endeavor also, i.e., Chamber of Commerce, local colleges, etc.

Speakers:

Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Chairman
Ms. Pat Willis, Deputy Superintendent
Dr. Caroline Girardeau, Director, High Schools
Ms. Nancy Broner, Board Vice-Chairman
Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member
Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member
Ms. Vicki Drake, Board Member
Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member

5. SRO PROGRAM UPDATE

Minutes:

Staff provided the Board with an update on the SRO conversion plan. More information will be provided to the Board at the next Workshop. The Sheriff has requested that we move up the timeline for the conversion, due to budget cuts at the City. Staff is currently working on a compromise and will report back on the results of their conversations with the Sheriff.

Speakers:

Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Chairman
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent
Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member
Ms. Nancy Broner, Board Vice-Chairman
Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member
Mr. Paul Soares, Chief Officer, Operations Support

Adjournment

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Minutes:

The Chairman adjourned the Board Workshop at 3:18 p.m.

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We Agree on this

Superintendent

Chairman