



Duval County Public Schools

April 7, 2008, Regular Board Meeting

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

ATTENDANCE AT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD with Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Karen Chastain, Office of General Counsel, Ms. Betty Burney, Chairman, Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Vice Chairman, and Board members: Kris Barnes, Martha Barrett, Nancy Broner, Vicki Drake, and Brenda Priestly Jackson, present.

Call Meeting to Order

[CALL MEETING TO ORDER](#)

Minutes: The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Invocation

[INVOCATION](#)

Minutes: The Chairman gave an invocation with a *moment of silence*.

Pledge of Allegiance

[PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE](#)

[2. DCPS DISTRICT SPELLING BEE - TOP FIVE FINALISTS](#)

Minutes:

--This year, elementary and middle school students from Duval County competed against their classmates for the chance to be named their school's Spelling Bee champion.

--Individual school winners then went on to challenge other school champs at the district finals.

--During the finals, 21 students from both public and private schools competed to represent Duval County in the Regional Spelling Bee.

--With us tonight are Duval County's top five finalists. Also joining us are Kathy LeRoy, Duval County Public Schools' chief officer of curriculum services, and Mandarin Oaks Elementary teacher Jill Lively, who both served as the spelling bee coordinators.

--Students, as your names are called, please join us up front with your school's representatives to receive your certificate of achievement.

--First we have Duval County's spelling bee winner, Ashley Barron. Ashley is a fifth grader at San Mateo Elementary School and won the district competition by spelling the word "predominant."

--In second place, we have Catherine Braza, a sixth-grade student at LaVilla School of the Arts. Catherine could not be with us tonight due to a previous engagement.

--Next, we have Andrew Hunt, an eighth grader at Fletcher Middle School, who came in third place.

--Andrew Mosser, an eighth grade student at James Weldon Johnson came in fourth and Maria Ilyas, a seventh grader at the Florida Virtual Academy, rounded out our top five.

--Congratulations to each of you on a job well done.

[1. 2008 HEALTH OCCUPATIONS STUDENTS OF AMERICA \(HOSA\) WINNERS](#)

Minutes:

--In February, students from A. Philip Randolph Academies of Technology participated in the Health Occupations Students of America Regional Competition.

--Health Occupations Students of America, commonly referred to as HOSA, is a

student organization with a mission of promoting career opportunities in health care and enhancing the delivery of quality health care to all people.

--Since its inception in 1976, HOSA has grown steadily, reaching nearly 90,000 members through 44 chartered HOSA State Associations. A. Philip Randolph is the only high school HOSA chapter in Duval County.

--During the regional competition in Orange Park, students from A. Philip Randolph were awarded more than 10 honors, with one person winning both a 1st and 2nd place honor.

--Joining us tonight, we have Duval County's regional winners, the principal of A. Philip Randolph, Ms. Rhonda Motley and Angela Collins, the school's HOSA advisor.

--Students, as I call your names, please join us up front with your school's representatives to receive your certificate of achievement.

--Our 1st Place Winners are:

- Jeannie Gonzalez
- Nickell Holsey
- Reggie Thomas
- Jasmine Sanchez, and
- Melissa Figgins

--Our 2nd Place Winners are:

- Linnie Crudup
- Sarah Edenfield, who could not be with us tonight, and
- Again we have Jeannie Gonzalez, who was previously called for receiving a 1st place honor

--Our 3rd Place Winners are:

- Corey Thomas, and
- Evangeline Perona

- And Jocelyn Burton is our 4th place winner.

--Congratulations to each of you on your win at the regional competition, and best wishes as you progress to the state competition later this month.

[3. NATIONAL AAA PATROLLER OF THE YEAR](#)

Minutes:

--Cynetra Tolen, a fifth-grade student at Carter G. Woodson Elementary was

named Patroller of the Year by the National Triple A Auto Club South.

--During the Black History Month celebration at her school, the AAA Auto Club presented Cynetra with a certificate of achievement.

--Along with her certificate, Cynetra will receive an all-expense paid trip for her and two guests to Washington, D.C., where she will be honored with other AAA club award recipients.

--To further the advancement of the AAA School Safety Patrol program, Cynetra's school will receive a \$200 grant to expand its current patrol program.

--Will Cynetra and her principal, Cheryl Quarles-Gatson, come up front as we recognize Cynetra for dedication to her school's Safety Patrol.

--Cynetra, winning this prestigious award is proof that great things are happening in all Duval County Public Schools.

[4. DUVAL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS MEETING ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS \(AYP\) SIX CONSECUTIVE YEARS](#)

Minutes:

--Our last presentation of the evening recognizes 12 Duval County public schools who have met Adequate Yearly Progress, referred to as AYP, for six consecutive years.

--AYP was introduced in 2002, under the No Child Left Behind Act, as a way for states to measure schools progress toward the goal of 100 percent of students achieving state academic standards in reading and math.

--Of these twelve schools, we would like to give a special recognition to Englewood Elementary. Englewood Elementary is the district's only Title One school to meet AYP, six years in a row.

--I would like to invite Englewood Elementary School's principal, Ms. Gail Brinson, to the front to receive a certificate of achievement for this outstanding accomplishment.

--Joining Gail tonight are 11 remarkable principals who have also been able to achieve greatness in their schools.

--Principals, as your name is called, please join Gail at the front of the auditorium to receive your certificate of achievement.

From elementary schools, we have:

- Sherry Adams, principal of Bank of America Learning Center
- Shana Adams, principal of Brookview

- Susan Phillips, principal of Chets Creek
- Jayne Owen-Thompson, principal of Hendricks Avenue
- Jill Leinhauser, principal of Jacksonville Beach
- Patricia Carson, principal of Mandarin Oaks
- Bill Dutter, principal of Seabreeze
- Alan Due, principal of John Stockton, and
- Mike Akers, principal of Wesconnett

And from our middle schools, we have:

- Mark Ertel, principal of Darnell-Cookman Middle and his assistant principal, Sharwonda Peeks
- Anthony Copeland, assistant principal of James Weldon Johnson

--This honorable designation proves that Duval County Public Schools are not just teaching and learning, but our students are achieving at great levels.

Comments From Audience

[COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE](#)

Minutes:

Mr. Eddie Diamond stated that citizens need to call their legislators and ask for support of funding that we desperately need in Duval County. Mr. Diamond is working on transforming students who have bad behavior to good behavior.

Ms. Jennifer Snead, president, Duval Arts Teachers Association requested the Board's support for funding for the arts and urged them to not cut any programs.

Mr. Ferdinand JuLuke, Jr., representing the NAACP Education Committee, supports Project Safe Schools except for 2.01 which is used as a "catch all", especially for African American students. Mr. JuLuke will participate in monitoring this program along with the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office. Invited the Board to attend a meeting to be held on April 18, 2008 with the NAACP which will include this program.

Mr. John Turner spoke about five points - overcrowding; greedy developers need to pay for new schools who are backing School Board members who are willing to sell out; the Interlocal Agreement is not working and lets the developers off the hook and the School Board voted for it. they don't have to pay impact fees and the school district will have to redraw boundaries and bus students. The local media has not reported this.

Mr. Edward Exson wrote, "Who could have imagined that the state of Florida would have apologized for slavery before this board would change the name of Nathan Bedford Forest High School? Change the name and stop pussyfooting around! We readily think of "upside down" as in the housing market and people's credit dilemmas, however, in education, it is far more significant. Consider some football coaches are the highest paid state employees, such, is truly upside down. While good educators salaries which teach students how to think for a life time, is tantamount to minimum wages in comparison. Students coming from good professors become healers, good teachers, scientists, builders, developers, farmers and the list goes on preparing people to make great contributions to society. While coach's find, foster and nurture, not necessarily good students, but one's with athleticism, trained brute-like and to become entertainers plus other adjectives, while many leaving school unable to read. William C. rhoden in his book he calls them "For Million Dollar Slaves", "The Rise, Fall and Redemption of the Black", albeit, he clearly points out the vast contributions that may, yet few, have made in all aspects of society. More grimly, since the of Dr. King forty

years ago, many African Americans have attended and graduated from the Jacksonville Leadership. Upon graduation, many walk around clutching a book on leadership, while auditioning dancing the gig, trying to prove the benefactors (their masters) that they would make the better servant and will maintain for them the status quo. The African American representation on this Board and staff, along with the City Council members, the JTA Chairman, members on the JEA, JAA and Port Authority, Boards and other appointed high ranking positions, Civil Rights Groups with churches on every corner. Yet, the minority community is in the predicament we're in, suffocating and dying, while pretending we're all that - that's profoundly stupid upside down, and traveling like the ant lion backwards. Former Mayor Delaney once called black neighborhoods "intensive care neighborhoods", therefore, our leadership is less effective than a placebo. One has to ask where Jesus is...what a sad memorial to Dr. King! Thank you.

Mr. Robert A. White spoke in support of funding for the arts. All great civilizations use art to show what they are all about.

Mr. Matthew Cawley spoke in support of the arts and school dance for FCAT. Mr. Cawley said he taught a song to the students earlier in the school year. The students all danced and sang along with the song and music.

Ms. Jane Condon spoke in support of the arts and she understands about the budget issues; she urged the Board to keep the programs ongoing. The students who have art education excel in other areas of their education which increases enrollment in college. Ms. Condon will send remarks to the Board at a later date.

Mr. Seth Lalmansingh teaches high school in town spoke about the Strategic Plan, Section A - Initiatives and Actions. This sections talks about digital communications - initiating plan for communications between teachers and parents; supports academic excellence for all students; good for parents and teachers to know each other and to keep everyone on the same page; small learning community; needs the district to provide source or database for all parent contact information and training for those who do not have computers.

Mr. Matt Campese, a high school math teacher, spoke about the Strategic Plan - Goal 1; thank you for setting the framework for goals; Read 180 for Levels 1 and 2 - would like to see something for math for Levels 1 and 2; second part, 1B - increase student success. Algebra 1 is not a Springboard course; suggests stronger emphasis on vertical alignment to work on math program.

Mr. John King spoke on behalf of Level 1 and 2 students regarding the Strategic Plan, a high school math teacher, suggested that we offer an option to Algebra 1. If we don't offer a substitution, we will lose more students. Algebra II requirements will make us lose a lot of students and set them up to fail.

Ms. Amber Amerson spoke in support of the arts and asked that cuts be made across the Board and not just in the arts.

Ms. Debra Jahns-Nelsen spoke about Project Safe Schools; sits on the Jacksonville Journey Education Subcommittee relating to safe schools; hard time relating possession of tobacco and wireless devices being grouped in with vandalism and extortion. Ms. Jahns-Nelsen added concern about prequalification of contractors and the recent audit report - only one plumbing, electrical, and HVAC contractor for the year - not competitive and needs more pre-certified contractors; audit committee - no future meetings scheduled, to date.

Mr. Jim Stamps said his daughter attends Douglas Anderson School for the Arts and plays the piano; urged the Board to support arts funding; spoke about David Letterman and toll booths.

Ms. Julie Delegal spoke in support of the arts and about "Showcase on the River" - an invitation will be forthcoming. When talking with legislators, we must direct comments to them that education is core and should not be cut.

Ms. Eunice Barnum mentioned Governor Charlie Crist being in Jacksonville last week as a running mate for Vice President instead of as a Governor. We need to pass an executive order to send all of you home and give money to parents to buy their children's education. The data backs me up. I have a child at Ribault who is failing; four children at Lee failed and a grandchild was kicked out of LaVilla. I am sick of these children being mistreated and need relief. The Governor needs to come here and address these problems.

Ms. Sheila Andrews requested to volunteer at Ribault High School as a parent liaison; not good enough to sit on the Community Assessment Team; gave report on April 7, 2008 at 10:00 am in front of this building regarding students with reading problems attending Ribault High School. There are approximately 200

students out of 700 who are not receiving services. Students are skipping school and parents are not offering any relief.

Comments From Parent Organizations

[COMMENTS FROM PARENT ORGANIZATIONS](#)

Minutes:

PTA - Pam Kinevan, President:

Our next general meeting will be held April 15th here in the Cline Auditorium. Hospitality begins at 9:30, with our business meeting beginning promptly at 10:00. This meeting is open to all PTA members.

On March 26th and 27th, PTA members traveled to Tallahassee to discuss adequate funding of education and other education issues with our legislators. In addition, the Mayor's office invited PTA join with city leaders to speak to the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission last Friday in Tallahassee in opposition to CO 0045. The vote on this item has been delayed until next Monday, April 14th, with a deadline for Commission members to file additional proposed amendments until noon tomorrow.

On April 17th, we will hold our Spring Leadership Workshop at the Schultz Center. This workshop will provide training for PTA officers and board members to be effective leaders in their schools. This workshop will include classes covering the role of the PTA president, treasurer, secretary, as well as the role of various chairpersons. We encourage all PTA members to attend this workshop. Along with our workshop on April 17th, PTA will also hold a vendor's fair. Everyone with a need to do fundraising is invited to the Vendor's Fair.

Again this month, many of our members are working to prepare for the next opening of the Teacher Supply Depot that will be April 17th from 3 – 6p.m. We encourage all teachers and principals to take advantage of all the Teacher Supply Depot has to offer.

PTAs should now be preparing to join the celebration in recognizing their PTA members and volunteers at the May 6th Jacksonville Sun's Game. In the pre-game activities, PTAs of the Year will be recognized for all their good work in our schools. PTA members may show their membership card and get half off admission and their children may get in for \$1. Also, anyone volunteering 50 hours or more this year may get a certificate to get them in free. Other ways of recognizing our schools are also being planned. We hope to see many PTA members and volunteers join in the celebration of the good things going on in our public schools.

And finally the most important thing I have to report, at least to me, is that Council elected officers for the 2008 – 2009 school year at our general meeting last month. At this time I would like to introduce Annette Worthen, the County Council President for 2008 – 2009. Annette has served on the County Council Board of Managers for the past three years. Not to age her, but she has been involved in PTA at the local unit level for 19 years and currently serves as PTSA President at LaVilla School of the Arts. So, as you can tell by her resume, I'm leaving you in excellent hands.

If there are any issues that the School Board or Superintendent would like PTA to address, please call on us.

District Advisory Council - Rachel Raneri:

The District Advisory Council met on March 24th. Despite an unfortunate scheduling conflict, we had a good turn out.

I would like to thank the staff members who were able to attend. Sharon Sanders explained the reading adoption and shared that she and her team are available to attend SAC and Area AC meetings to further explain the reading programs in DCPS.

Mike Perrone was in attendance to answer operations and facilities issues. The question that kept coming up, how were the boundaries for the Academic and Community Excellence plan meetings chosen? Several members mentioned that they would have liked to attend an ACE meeting, but had not been able. They were told to contact Ron Fagan with specific concerns about ACE.

ARAMARK representative Wiley Swanson said that the Area managers from Aramark would like to be invited to School Advisory Council or Area Advisory Council meetings.

The next DAC meeting will be on April 28th, at 6:00 pm in the 6th floor conference room.

Comments From Employee Organizations

[COMMENTS FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS](#)

Minutes:

There were no comments at this meeting.

Student Achievement, Reform Activities, And Reports

[SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT](#)

Minutes:

Superintendent Ed Pratt-Dannals gave a report addressing comments on the Arts program, stating that everyone supports the arts. This is a challenging year on funding and spoke about the efforts made in Tallahassee, asking for relief on the Class Size Amendment; allowing districts to use the 1/4 mill on Capital dollars used as Operating dollars; asked about looking at School Recognition funds for use in other areas; spoke about the Strategic Plan progress which will be brought to the May or June Board meeting for a vote and commended Doug Ayars and his staff for work on ACE.

Budget: Efforts at state level from the House and Senate to cushion blow of shortfall; different versions - may not know until near end of the session at the end of April. Will look like less of a cut than it actually is because of moving categorical dollars to BSA. Positive regarding using .20 or more of capital for operation. Extensive lobbying by FSBA (members of our Board), FADSS (me), teachers (including DTU), and PTSA; continue to work with Board to made good decisions.

Attendance: 18 year old attendance regulation - looks like it may pass with 2008-09 as a planning year.

Strategic Plan: moving forward; encourage all to review on the website - www.duvalschools.org and provide feedback. Over 600 responses so far - many are thoughtful.

ACE: Mr. Ayars will give a report on this.

FCAT: Visiting schools prior to and during FCAT - upbeat and confident.

Planning: Begin planning for next year.

Reports

1. OPERATIONS - MR. DOUG AYARS

Minutes:

Mr. Doug Ayars, Chief Operating Officer, spoke about the groundbreaking of AAA high school and gave ACE updates - Round 1 of meetings; preparation for the 2008-2009 school year opening; prequalifications for contractors; comments made regarding the Interlocal Agreement; City of Jacksonville (coj.net) website; long term effects - make the public aware and walk them through the process.

Speakers:

Ms. Kris Barnes, Board Member

Ms. Betty Burney, Board Chairman

Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Member

2. SCHOOL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL - DR. KAREN TOKER

Minutes:

It has been one year since we last reported to the School Board on the activities of the School Health Advisory Council. Last year, we gave the Board a brief historical overview of the purpose and activities of the SHAC since its inception in 1973, when the Florida Legislature mandated such a committee/council in the Florida School Health Services Act (FS 381.0056). The mandate through this act was for each county to have an advisory group composed primarily of the school, health, and community representatives who act

collectively to advise the school district on aspects of child health. The scope of the SHAC was defined more explicitly in July, 2006, when the legislature stated that each SHAC must include members who represent the eight components of the Coordinated School Health Model as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). These eight areas include:

1. Comprehensive School Health Education
2. Physical Education
3. School Health Services (including School Nursing Services)
4. School Nutrition Services
5. School Counseling, Psychological, and Social Services
6. Healthy School Environment
7. School-Site Health Promotion for Staff
8. Family and Community Involvement in School Health

Last year, we also spoke about the Community Forum held by the SHAC in January, 2006, where four priority areas of need were identified for the SHAC to investigate and try to impact. The priority areas were:

1. Increasing the number of school nurses in DCPS
2. Increasing the number of school guidance counselors in schools
3. Increasing parental involvement in schools
4. Promoting physical education (at least 30 minutes daily), improve nutrition and nutrition education programs in our schools from pre-KK through grade 12.

We, then developed four committees to deal with these four issues. Our Student Services Committee took on the first two priorities, but has spent the entire past two years working on Issue #1, that of increasing the number of school nurses in DCPS. During this time, members of our committee have:

- * Partnered with UNF and the Commission on Services for Children with Special Needs to complete *the Northeast Florida School Nurse Study- 2006, Survey Results of School Nurses in 5 Counties*, which studied the role of the school nurse in five counties including Duval County. Key findings were:

- * Florida ranks 43rd among the states with 1 nurse to 2,159 students;
- * Duval County ranks behind Florida with a ratio of 1 nurse to 2,964 students;
- * DOH school nurses covering regular schools have 1 nurse to 3,722 students;
- * National standards recommend 1 nurse per 750 students in regular schools;
- * Increased burden of chronic illness in school children compared to the past including increased asthma and diabetes;
- * Too few nurses to adequately take care of health needs of our children. They have too many students and too many schools;
- * Nurses covering only 1 school are more available to plan health care and consult with providers;
- * Many different people give medications when nurses or health aides are not available thus creating a risk-management issue;
- * Nurses work "silently" often with very little recognition and are not always seen as professionals in the same way as educational colleagues.

- * Conducted a Survey of DCPS School Principals

- * Elementary schools want a full time nurse on campus daily;
- * School personnel are worried about non-medical personnel doing medical procedures;
- * School personnel are worried about potential legal liability related to student medical services

- * Reviewed the DOH School Health Services Plan, a quality improvement plan done every two years and required by the State.

- * Developed a School Health Satisfaction Survey of teachers, parents and students to be conducted April, 2008.

Our Parent/Community Committee has taken on priority #3 of increasing parental involvement in health activities, both at home and at school, and have:

- * Encouraged families to participate in community events, i.e. "walk to school/ride your bike day" and "television shutoff day" which are sponsored by the Duval county Health Department and Duval County Parks and Recreation;

- * Submitted health articles to the district wide PTA council regarding student health issues;
- * Begun planning a district wide health fair for parents, students and DCPS personnel.

Our Nutrition and Physical Education Committee has taken on priority #4 and have:

- * Partnered with the Healthy Jacksonville Obesity Coalition to develop strategies to address the epidemic of childhood obesity in the school environment;
 - * Partnered with the DCPS Wellness Committee and Aramark to make changes to the school breakfast and lunch program to make them more nutritious;
 - * Partnered with the DCPS Wellness Committee to formulate and monitor the Wellness Policy;
- Advocated for more physical activity and physical education in the school day;
- * Expanded the membership of the SHAC to include at least one physical education teacher;
 - * Contributed to a variety of district-wide workshops and professional development opportunities for Health Education and Physical Education teachers;
 - * Participated in local meetings and school site visits of the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness;
 - * Supported the implementation of the new 150-minutes per week of required physical education at the elementary school level and the new integrated course (H.O.P.E.) at the high school level in response to recent legislation;
 - * Stayed abreast of the Sunshine State Standards for Health Education and Physical Education revision process.

Our Health Education/Curriculum Committee continues to review programs which various groups would like to show in the schools:

- * The committee has reviewed 15 programs during the past year;
- * The Health Education/Curriculum Committee of the SHAC would like to make known its concern about the way that many Health classes are being implemented. the fact that some teachers have as many as 50-70 students in a class and are traveling with resources such as a video, CPR manikins, and AED defibrillator's makes it difficult for them to be as effective as they could be with a more appropriate number of students and a more stable working situation. Health teachers are feeling devalued.

HOW CAN THE SCHOOL BOARD HELP US?:

1. Firstly, we want to thank Ms. Kris Barnes for accepting our invitation to join the SHAC. We need School Board participation on the SHAC so that we can fully communicate the health program needs of the school systems and their potential solutions to the Board. Healthy children are better able to learn and become productive citizens.
2. The Board needs to become more aware of changes in health issues that are affecting the DCPS,. We are asking the School Board to consider having a workshop on School Health in fiscal year 2009.
3. The SHAC and District Wellness Committee represent ideal venues to affect change within the school system. They bring together parents, educators, administrators, school nutrition services, health care experts, and community groups interested in the health of our children. The SHAC and District Wellness Committee need the resources to investigate, study and make recommendations to the school system to achieve health goals and affect positive change.
4. School-based physical activity and nutrition guidelines need strengthening to meet current standards.
5. Reconsider how health classes are being implemented.

Approval of Agenda

[APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 7, 2008, AGENDA](#)

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the April 7, 2008, Agenda as submitted on March 25, 2008, with the following changes listed in the agenda item. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Martha Barrett

Second: Thomas Hazouri

Kristanna Barnes	- Aye
Martha Barrett	- Aye
Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Victoria Drake	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Brenda Priestly Jackson	- Aye

Approval of Minutes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes:

That the Duval County School Board approve the following minutes:

March 4, 2008 - Regular Board Meeting

March 18, 2008 - Special Meeting - Student Expulsion Hearing

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the Minutes for the Meetings listed in the Agenda Item. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Kristanna Barnes

Second: Thomas Hazouri

Kristanna Barnes	- Aye
Martha Barrett	- Aye
Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Victoria Drake	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Brenda Priestly Jackson	- Aye

Approval of Consent Agenda

[APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA](#)

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the Consent Agenda. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Kristanna Barnes

Second: Martha Barrett

Kristanna Barnes - Aye

Martha Barrett - Aye

Nancy Broner - Aye

Betty Burney - Aye

Victoria Drake - Aye

Thomas Hazouri - Aye

Brenda Priestly Jackson - Aye

Consent Agenda

Human Resource Services - Staffing

[1. HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES EMPLOYEE TRANSACTIONS](#)

Attachment: [HRS_Agenda_04-07-08_TRANS.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Ms. Priestly Jackson asked how we're dealing with vacancies and backfilling; particularly, in the challenged schools? What do we do when that happens? Please comment tonight and report back to the Board in the near future.

Speakers:

Ms. Vicki Reynolds, Chief of Human Resource Services

Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent of Schools

Human Resource Services - Professional Standards

[2. SUSPENSIONS WITHOUT PAY](#)

Attachment: [HRS_Attach2_04-07-08_susp.pdf](#)

Administration and Business Services - Budget and Financial

[1. ADOPTION OF BUDGET RESOLUTIONS](#)

Attachment: [Debt Service Resolution Apr 7.pdf](#)

Attachment: [General Fund Resolution Apr 7.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Food Service Resolution Apr 7.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Spec Rev Other Resolution Apr 7.pdf](#)
Attachment: [Capital Projects Resolution Apr 7.pdf](#)
Attachment: [Internal Resolution Apr 7.pdf](#)

2. MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Attachment: [February 2008 Draft Board Statement.pdf](#)
Attachment: [January 2008 Revised Final Board Statement.xls.pdf](#)

Operations - Real Estate, Planning and Programming

1. AMEND 07-08/11-12 LONG RANGE FACILITIES CAPITAL PLAN

Attachment: [B-C-RONS-ITM.pdf](#)
Attachment: [XX-ATT-AMENDED-CAP-PLAN-APR08-EXP.pdf](#)
Attachment: [XX-ATT-AmendedCapitalPlanAPR-08.pdf](#)

2. CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO SJWMD AT NEW HS "AAA" NO. 268

3. EASEMENT TO JEA AT FT. CAROLINE ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Operations - Facilities Project Design, Construction and Maintenance

4. NEW NORTH SHORE K-8 SCHOOL NO. 70: REVISED PROJECT AND PROJECT BUDGET

Attachment: [B-C-NORTHSHORE.pdf](#)

5. ADDITIONAL CLASSROOMS AT DUPONT MS (C-91280) AND TERRY PARKER (C-91210)

Attachment: [B-C-2-C91210.AA Parker Benefits-Challenges 2-25-08.pdf](#)

6. NEW AUTISTIC CLASSROOMS AT KERNAN MIDDLE SCHOOL NO. 279: DP SELECTION

Attachment: [B-C-AUTISM-CLSRMS.pdf](#)

7. HVAC AT MANDARIN HIGH SCHOOL NO. 260 AND FIRST COAST HIGH SCHOOL NO. 265 - STAGE II: ADD'L SERVICE AUTH. NO. TWO TO THE DP AGREEMENT

Attachment: [B-C-4-M87100-DP.pdf](#)

8. REPLACEMENT: HVAC AT MANDARIN HS AND FIRST COAST HS NO. 265 - STAGE II: CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD

9. DISTRICTWIDE ROOF REPLACEMENT AT BEAUCLERC ES NO. 230: PHASE III (CONSTRUCTION) DOCUMENTS

10. DW ROOF REPLACEMENT AT FT. CAROLINE MS NO. 238: PHASE III (CONSTRUCTION) DOCUMENTS

11. ANNUAL CONTRACTS-CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES: SELECTION AND CONTRACT AWARD

Attachment: [B-C-AnnualContracts-CM.pdf](#)
Attachment: [xx-ATT-ANNUAL-CONTRACTS.pdf](#)

12. NEW K-8 SCHOOL NO. 274 (103rd STREET AND CONNIE JEAN ROAD): AMENDMENT NO. ONE TO DP AGREEMENT

13. NEW K-8 SCHOOL NO. 274: AMENDMENT NO. ONE TO CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT CONTRACT

Attachment: [B-C-274.pdf](#)

14. NEW HS "AAA" NO. 268: CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AMENDMENT NO. TWO - DESIGN/BUILD FIRM

Attachment: [B-C-268-AAA.pdf](#)

[15. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETIONS AND CERTIFICATES OF FINAL INSPECTION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS OVER \\$1,000,000](#)

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[16. QUARTERLY REPORT OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETIONS AND CERTIFICATES OF FINAL INSPECTION - MAJOR MAINT. PROJECTS UNDER \\$1,000,000](#)

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[17. WINDOW PROTECTION STUDY FOR THREE PUBLIC SHELTERS: CRYSTAL SPRINGS ES NO. 226, CHIMNEY LAKES ES NO. 232, MANDARIN MS NO. 259](#)

[19. PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS: NEW AND RENEWAL](#)

Attachment: [Board Approval - Pre Qual Cert New 04-07-08.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Board Approval - Renewal 04-07-08.pdf](#)

[20. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: FACILITIES SERVICES CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDER RPT \(MARCH 2008\)](#)

Attachment: [B-C-Change Order Report .pdf](#)

Attachment: [XX-ATT-C-O-RPT-MAR.pdf](#)

Operations - Purchasing and Logistics

[2. FERTILIZER AND PESTICIDE](#)

[3. METAL OFFICE FURNITURE](#)

Attachment: [METAL OFFICE FURNITURE.pdf](#)

[4. SURPLUS PROPERTY RETIREMENT REPORT](#)

Attachment: [April 08 hightlights.pdf](#)

Attachment: [ROAPR08.pdf](#)

Attachment: [07APRIL08.pdf](#)

Attachment: [06APRIL08.pdf](#)

Attachment: [05APRIL08.pdf](#)

Attachment: [04APRIL08.pdf](#)

[5. LEASE OF PRINT SHOP PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE COPIERS](#)

Attachment: [XEROX ADMIN COPIERS.pdf](#)

Attachment: [XEROX PRINT SHOP EQUIPMENT.pdf](#)

Attachment: [BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES FORM FOR LEASE1.pdf](#)

Academic Services - School Curriculum and Programs

[1. COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPROVAL AND ADDITION TO THE DISTRICT COURSE TITLE FILE](#)

Attachment: [April 2008 BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES FORM 01-14-08.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Adoption of COURSE TITLES April 2008doc.pdf](#)

[3. PURCHASE OF KEYSTONE COURSE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS](#)

Attachment: [Keystone Materials Agenda BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES FORM 01-14-08 \(2\).pdf](#)

Academic Services - Special Services

[2. 2007-2008 FLORIDA INCREASING REFUGEE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT GRANT PROPOSAL](#)

Attachment: [Budget Narrative Form DOE101 MSExcels \(5\).pdf](#)

Attachment: [BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES FORM - Agenda Item Florida Increasing Refugee Student Achievement.pdf](#)

Discussion

Operations - Facilities Project Design, Construction and Maintenance

[18. FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE: REV. BD. POLICY: FILE FEG: PROCEDURES AND APPLICATION FOR PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS](#)

Attachment: [Policy FEG Prequalification of Contractor with Corrected State Requirements.pdf](#)

Minutes:

The Chairman declared the public hearing open on the following item:

Revise Board Policy: File FEG: Procedures for Application for Prequalification of Contractors

The Chairman asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak to the Board regarding this item; there being no response, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a public hearing and approve the procedures and application for the Prequalification of Contractors per the State Requirements for Educational Facilities (SREF) Chapter 4, Section 4.1.7(b)1. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Kristanna Barnes

Second: Martha Barrett

Kristanna Barnes - Aye

Martha Barrett - Aye

Nancy Broner - Aye

Betty Burney - Aye

Victoria Drake - Aye

Thomas Hazouri - Aye

Brenda Priestly Jackson - Aye

Operations - Purchasing and Logistics

[1. PROJECT SAFE STUDENTS IN SCHOOLS- AMENDMENT I](#)

Attachment: [20071116 PowerPointDataV2.pdf](#)

Attachment: [xx-ATT-SROcontractSecondAmendment2007-2008v3.pdf](#)

Attachment: [xx-REV-ProjectSafeStudentsInSchools-03-27-2008.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Ms. Drake offered an amendment to delete 2.01 from the Level II offenses; Ms. Broner seconded the motion.

Speakers:

Ms. Kris Barnes, Board Member
Ms. Nancy Broner, Board Member
Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. David Coffman, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office
Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Vice Chairman
Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Member
Ms. Betty Burney, Board Chairman

The Superintendent asked Dr. Patricia Willis, Deputy Superintendent, to oversee this project along with Doug Ayars, Chief Operating Officer, and bring some recommendations to the Board.

Speakers:

Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Vice Chairman
Dr. Amy Lingren, Chief of Academic Services
Ms. Nancy Broner, Board Member
Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Member
Ms. Vicki Drake, Board Member
Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member

The Chairman requested follow-up from Paul Soares, Chief Officer, Operations Support, for the 61 students and what steps are in place for intervention? What will we do for Level I and II Code and how effective are they?

Speakers:

Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. David Coffman, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office

Mr. Coffman stated the demographic makeup of the School Resource Officers (SRO's) and of the total of 55 - 32 are African American, 22 are White; and 1 is Asian. Cultural diversity is important.

Motions:

Amend item to delete 2.01 from the Level II Offenses. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Victoria Drake

Second: Nancy Broner

Kristanna Barnes - Aye

Martha Barrett - Aye

Nancy Broner - Aye

Betty Burney - Nay

Victoria Drake - Aye

Thomas Hazouri - Nay

Brenda Priestly Jackson

- Nay

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve Amendment I of the agreement with the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) for Project Safe Students in Schools to include the attached list of SIM Code referrals and authorize the Chairman of the Board and Superintendent or his designee to sign the amendment and the amendment to the SRO Contract upon approval as to form by the Office of General Counsel.

- PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Victoria Drake

Second: Thomas Hazouri

Kristanna Barnes

- Aye

Martha Barrett

- Aye

Nancy Broner

- Aye

Betty Burney

- Nay

Victoria Drake

- Aye

Thomas Hazouri

- Aye

Brenda Priestly Jackson

- Nay

General

[1. RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 2007, H.R. 648](#)

Attachment: [NCLB RESOLUTION 4-07-08 Bd Agn.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Speakers:

Ms. Betty Burney, Board Chairman

Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Member

Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Vice Chairman

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board adopt a resolution to support No Child Left Behind Improvements Act of 2007, H.R. 648 by becoming a co-sponsor of the bill.

- PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Victoria Drake

Second: Nancy Broner

Kristanna Barnes

- Aye

Martha Barrett

- Aye

Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Victoria Drake	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Brenda Priestly Jackson	- Aye

Board Member Travel

[BOARD MEMBERS TRAVEL](#)

Minutes:

That the Duval County School Board approve the following travel for Board member(s):

May 30-31, 2008 - NFUSSD Executive Committee Meeting - Billings, Montana - Barnes

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the Board Members Travel as listed in the Agenda Item. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Nancy Broner

Second: Martha Barrett

Kristanna Barnes	- Aye
Martha Barrett	- Aye
Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Victoria Drake	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Brenda Priestly Jackson	- Aye

Superintendent's Travel

[SUPERINTENDENT'S TRAVEL](#)

Minutes: No travel this month.

For The Record

[FOR THE RECORD](#)

Minutes:

Ms. Kris Barnes attended a school program recently that shows how well students could do when someone cares.

Ms. Vicki Drake talked about a recent PTA trip to Tallahassee and the Legislature. She urged everyone to support the school district.

Mr. Tommy Hazouri announced a meeting April 22, 2008 at John Gorrie Middle School; Doug Ayars' meeting on the future of the school. Additionally, congratulations on the storm water fees.

Ms. Nancy Broner announced that Kathy and John Poe have been selected by the Space Foundation and Teacher Foundation. Ms. Broner urged everyone to contact your legislators since the session will have adjourned by our next School Board meeting.

Ms. Martha Barrett spoke about the Don Brewer Butterfly Garden.

Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson said the Career College Fair was very good. Ms. Priestly Jackson recently went to Tallahassee with former dean, Dr. Patricia Willis and former drama coach, Ms. Elaine Mann - spoke about the attendance law.

Ms. Kris Barnes recently attended the Museum of Contemporary Art function where one of our teachers was awarded the Memphis Wood award.

Ms. Betty Burney announced the Peace Walk and spoke to students; mentioned a song entitled, "Soldiers" and challenged young men to become leaders. The first meeting was wonderful and these young men will be the leaders at Raines High School. Ms. Burney mentioned that Attorney Eddie Farrah has offered to buy the books for these "soldiers".

Adjournment

[ADJOURNMENT](#)

Minutes:

The meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

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Superintendent

Chairman