

Duval County Public Schools

January 11, 2011, Board Workshop

Ms. W. C. Gentry, Chairman Ms. Betty Burney, Vice-Chairman Ms. Martha Barrett Ms. Ms. Becki Couch Ms. Mr. Tommy Hazouri Mr. Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee Mr. Ms. Paula D. Wright 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, was also present.

Call Meeting To Order

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Minutes: The Vice-Chairman called the Board Workshop to order at 10:00 a.m.

Items To Be Discussed

1. BOARD - SUPERINTENDENT GOVERNANCE TEAM

Minutes:

The following topics were discussed:

• The Superintendent shared that the Wallace Foundation had identified the DCPS Superintendent's Academy as a candidate to participate in the Summer Learning Demonstration Project. This is a national project to assist students in avoiding

summer learning loss and boosting learning gains among students in grades 3-5. All agreed this would be a good project to participate in if we are selected. The final decision will be made the week of January 18, 2011.

- The Superintendent indicated that Teach For America would like for Duval to host one of their Summer Institutes for incoming Corp members. It is a five-week residential summer institute. Selected school districts would staff the TFA Corp members within their existing summer programming and assign expert teachers as Faculty advisors to support the Corp members. We would also provide transportation. Board members asked that, if we participate, we seek outside funding or donation of the transportation costs.
- The Superintendent shared information with the Board regarding the December 16, 2010, Community Meeting regarding the intervene schools. A copy of the information is attached to the Minutes. Another meeting is scheduled for January 16, 2011, at Ribault High School at 6:00 p.m.

<u>Speakers:</u>

Ms. Betty Burney, Board Vice-Chairman Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent Ms. Becki Couch, Board Member Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Board Member Ms. Paula D. Wright, Board Member Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member

2. COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS - JON HEYMANN

Minutes:

Mr. Jon Heymann, Communities In Schools, updated the Board regarding the programs his organization provides to the school system, which include Team UP, Achievers for Life, Student Enrichment programs, and Americorp Programs. A report is attached to the Minutes.

Mr. Heymann asked for consideration by the Board on the following items. He will submit his request in writing to the Superintendent with the appropriate backup information included.

- Paying our contract amount in one or two payments instead of monthly installments
- Providing duvalschools.org e-mail addresses to their staff
- Refer children who need mentors to Take Stock In Children

- Easier access to student data
- Regular attendance at JCC Board meetings
- Donation of recycled computer equipment

<u>Speakers:</u>

Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Chairman Mr. Jon Heymann, Communities In Schools Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member

3. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/READING PLAN UPDATE

Minutes:

The Board was provided with an update on Professional Development and the services offered through the Schultz Center. A copy of the report is attached to the Minutes. Some points made during discussion include the following.

- What is our return on investment and how do we track professional development results from a customer point of view, and, how is that reported back to staff and the Board?
- Professional Development should be more specific to the individual needs of the teacher.
- How do we make sure practices learned are implemented in the classrooms?
- What training is Schultz Center specific? Need more in this area.
- Schultz Center staff should pursue more outside funding.

<u>Speakers:</u>

- Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Chairman
- Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent
- Ms. Pat Willis, Deputy Superintendent
- Ms. Barbara Langley, President/CEO, Schultz Center
- Dr. Dawn Wilson, Professional Development
- Ms. Becki Couch, Board Member
- Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member
- Ms. Paula D. Wright, Board Member
- Ms. Betty Burney, Board Vice-Chairman
- Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member
- Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Board Member

Adjournment

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Minutes:

The Chairman adjourned the Board Workshop at 4:30 p.m.

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We Agree on this

Superintendent

Chairman