

Duval County Public Schools

June 9, 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, Board 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 Vice Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Invocation

INVOCATION

Minutes:

Reverend Deacon David MacNamara Christ the King Catholic Church

Pledge of Allegiance

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Presentations

1. TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Minutes:

--During this year's Eddy Awards, the Alliance for World Class Education named Lucretia Miller, Duval County Public Schools' 2008 Teacher of the Year.

--The eight-year teaching veteran was selected for the prestigious honor by a committee of teachers, administrators, principals, Rotarians and businesspeople.

--The selection committee and Teacher of the Year or EDDY awards were organized by the Alliance For World Class Education, a non-profit group of local business and community leaders that supports public education.

--Again, Lucretia, we congratulate you on a job well done. It is caring professionals like you that allow us to meet our goal of increasing the academic achievement for all students.

2. CULTURAL COUNCIL AWARD

Minutes:

--This year at the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville's Arts Awards, Carol McQueen, band director at LaVilla School of the Arts, was named the 2008 Arts Educator.

--At the ceremony, Ms. McQueen was honored for leading her jazz ensemble to national recognition.

--Under Ms. McQueen's direction, Lavilla's jazz band has traveled to Europe four times to perform at the Montreaux and the North Seas jazz festivals.

--They have also performed twice at the Chicago Mid-West International Band Clinic and the University of North Texas Jazz Festival.

--Would Ms. McQueen and her principal, Janelle Wagoner, please come up front as we present Carol with a certificate of recognition.

--Congratulations on doing a superior job. It is people like you, who ensure our students are provided with an art program that enhances and enriches their overall education.

3. PAXON MIDDLE SCHOOL'S IB AUTHORIZATION

Minutes:

--Recently, Paxon Middle School received a letter from the International Baccalaureate Organization's Director General, Jeff Beard, announcing that they have been authorized to begin an IB Middle Years Programme.

--Paxon is the only middle school in Northeast Florida to offer this accelerated honors program for highly motivated and academically talented students.

--The International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme is for students aged 11 to 16, and is designed to help students develop the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and skills necessary to participate actively and responsibly in

a changing world.

--Congratulations to Darrell Perry, principal of Paxon Middle School, Marla Almon, IB Coordinator, and their entire team of dedicated staff. A lot of hard work went into ensuring the school received this authorization.

4. 2008 FLORIDA HISTORY FAIR 1ST PLACE WINNER

Minutes:

--Last month, 35 Duval County students traveled to Tallahassee to participate in the 2008 Florida History Fair.

--Five students from Darnell-Cookman and James Weldon-Johnson middle schools returned home winners.

--History Fair projects helped students meet numerous social studies, language arts and arts standards for middle or high school.

--Joining us tonight, we have Madison Lahey, a 7th grade student from James Weldon Johnson.

--Madison won first place in the Historical Paper category and will travel to Maryland next week, to participate in the National History Day competition at the University of Maryland.

--Congratulations on a job well done at the statewide competition and best wishes as you compete on the national level.

5. 2008 ARAMARK SCHOLARS

Minutes:

--Tonight, we have five groups of students who received scholarships.

-- Our first group of students received \$900 scholarships from Aramark Education.

--For more than 17 years, Aramark Education has provided scholarships to Duval County Public Schools' students to use for their post-secondary educational expenses.

--Joining us tonight from Aramark Education, we have Catherine Thorne, Resident District Manager, and Wiley Swanson, Director of Community Relations. Would the two of you please come up front to help us recognize these 11 students, and present their plaques.

--The following students received Aramark Education Scholarships:

- Brianne Quist from Douglas Anderson School of the Arts
- Hasseb Qazizada from Robert E. Lee High School
- Pamilerin Ajani from Andrew Jackson High School
- Dunja Zelihic from Mandarin High School
- Joseph Bennett from Paxon School for Advanced Studies
- Xavier Ellison from Frank H. Peterson Academy of Technology
- Jamie Patrick from Raines High School
- Freddie Fears from Jean Ribault High School
- D'Andra Gill from A. Philip Randolph Academy of Technology
- James Tyer from Stanton College Preparatory; and Jasmine Harris from Wolfson High School

6. 2008 NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS

Minutes:

--Our second group of students received National Merit Scholarships from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

--This year, six seniors from Stanton College Preparatory School were among 2,500 students nationwide to receive National Merit Scholarships.

--National Merit Scholars are selected based on committee members' appraisals of their academic record, scores from two standardized tests, contributions in school and community activities, and an essay and a recommendation written by a high school official.

- -- The following students received National Merit scholarships:
 - Rewa Choudhary
 - Catherine Dietrich
 - Benjamin Furtick
 - Yang Ge
 - Brendan Hainline
 - Jay Parikh

7. 2008 NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Minutes:

--Our third group of students received National Achievement Scholarships from the National Achievement Scholarship Program.

--For the past 44 years, the National Achievement Scholarship Program has awarded scholarships to outstanding African-American Students.

--This year, five Duval County Public Schools' students were among 800 scholastically talented students to receive a \$2,500 scholarship from the National Achievement Scholarship Program.

-- The following students received these scholarships:

- Lafayette Adams First Coast High School
- Stephen Iya Paxon School for Advanced Studies
- Miguel Lugo Douglas Anderson School of the Arts
- Paul Rutland Stanton College Preparatory School; and
- Rebecca Stevens Stanton College Preparatory School

8. 2008 DUVAL ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL OFFICE PROFESSIONALS SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Minutes:

--Our final group of students received scholarships from the Duval Association of Educational Office Professionals.

-For the past 10 years, this association has performed various fundraisers in an effort to collect money to distribute to three deserving seniors attending Duval County Public Schools.

--The following students received \$2,000 scholarships from the Duval Association of Educational Office Professionals:

- Julia McClure from Forrest High School
- Eric Shah from Wolfson High School, and
- Ben Stinger from Paxon School for Advanced Students

--Congratulations to all of tonight's scholarship recipients and best wishes as you move on to your collegiate careers.

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S AWARDS (PTA'S-PTSA'S)

Minutes:

--Each year, we honor Duval County's PTAs/PTSAs who have increased their memberships by 100 or more from the previous school year.

--This school year, we have six schools receiving this honor.

--The following schools are recipients of the Superintendent's Award for the top PTAs/PTSAs of the Year:

- Lake Shore Middle School
- New Berlin Elementary School
- Sabal Palm Elementary School
- San Jose Elementary School
- Sandalwood High School, and
- Stilwell Middle School

--Congratulations to each of these successful PTA/PTSA chapters.

10. DCPS-DTU AWARDS FOR 2007 UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN

Minutes:

--The United Way of Northeast Florida is one of Duval County Public Schools' strongest supporters.

--To show our support each year, the district, in partnership with Duval Teachers United, holds an employee-sponsored United Way fundraising campaign.

--Our yearly fundraising campaign allows us to give back to an organization that provides so much support to us.

--Representatives from the United Way of Northeast Florida and Terri Brady, President of Duval Teachers United, are here to help us honor the schools, principals and employee campaign chair persons who helped make this year's fundraising campaign successful.

--Would Linda Malloy, United Way of Northeast Florida's Vice President of Resource Development, come up and say a few words. Joining Linda is Campaign Division Manager, Anthony Sutton.

- The Superintendent's Leadership Circle Award Parkwood Heights Elementary School Principal Susan Golden
- The Super's School Campaign Champion Lake Shore Middle School Principal Iranetta Wright ECC Lecreshia Harris

The Cluster Champion Awards **CLUSTER 1** Norwood Elementary School \$62.55 Principal- Laverne Hamilton ECC- Tyra Mobley Pine Estates Elementary School \$60.95 Principal- Violetra Ward ECC- Eva Clowers Greenfield Elementary School \$54.36 Principal- Maren Firment ECC- Carolyn Hughes **CLUSTER 2** Parkwood Heights Elementary School \$345.18 Principal- Ms. Susan Golden ECC- Ms. Susan Golden John E. Ford Elementary School \$80.15 Principal- Nan Brooks Hoyle ECC- Sam Moore Arlington Heights Elementary School \$ 76.06 Principal- Robert Snyder ECC- Cynthia Newberry CLUSTER 3 Stanton College Prep\$49.25Principal - Debra LynchECC - Meg Halley Paxon School for Advanced Studies \$40.06 Principal- Carol Daniels ECC- Mary Abboud

	Ribault High	\$31.29
	Principal- Royce Turner	ECC- Lela Anderson
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	Kirby Smith Middle School	\$145.85
	Principal- June Marshall	ECC- June Marshall
	Rutledge H. Pearson Elementary	y \$110.51
	Principal- Debbie Crotty	ECC- Pat Rich
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LaVilla School of the Arts \$91.94 Principal-Janelle Wagoner ECC-Susan Archer

Comments From Audience

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE

Minutes:

Mr. Eddie Diamond, Jr. spoke on child abuse and the increase of the economy. There is more tension in the schools and during school activities. Abuse affects all income levels. We're in a time of peril with drugs, violence, etc. There is more violence due to stress and we're in troubled times. We need to have more patience with everyone. The FCAT goal is higher and there is much stress on our children. We also have too many overaged students in middle schools. We must identify these problems and welcome input in these areas. I'm here to warn you that this coming year, the violence will pick up and fear brings on change.

Mr. Edward Exson said America is in serious trouble, everything is broken, the infrastructure to the industrial prison complex, justice to injustice, diplomats to war mongers, health care to education. Some churches to crime, those coupled with abundant bulks of vice, green, murder and corruption, factoring in the recession, we as a nation is about to implode from within. The ills in America are the sum totals of the actions of Congress, State Legislatures, City Councils and School Boards, nonfeasance, misfeasance and malfeasance. Of course, this Board is not guilty of feasance that started decades ago. Under your watch, I wonder what your position on the drop out and the graduating rates are before declaring your blameless. However, with the glaring facts, you should be alarmed and cause you to tremble. Notwithstanding, the criticism and allegations of the FCAT criteria not being a relevant assessment, you have not spoken out for change.

Now, do not be dismayed, behold, necessity the mother of all inventions has been at work...Barack Obama is invented, patented by the powerful, and orbained by a higher paower as the real McCoy...with that discovery and the changes that will follow, we all can count on a better country and a better world. As he orbits around the country looking for the brightest, his administration will be both bright and nonpartisan. One of his greatest characteristics is that he knows that education is the underpinning of all great societies. When people are educated, so many wonderful things can be accomplished - that's what will guide him. I thank you.

Mr. George Young, a member of the NAACP Education Committee, spoke about Susie Tolbert Elementary School and magnet programs but students not in magnet classes. This was done at a school when the previous principal and lead magnet teacher were there. There were students assigned to the school but they were not placed in the magnet classes. What will happen to them when they move on to other schools? I want assurnace that these students get the help they should have received - whatever help they need. How could this happen in the 2007-2008 school year in Duval County? Are we regressing or moving forward? These type of things happened in the 1950's.

Mr. Howard Denson, retired frm Florida Community College at Jacksonville, writer, and part of the music community, spoke about his stepson. Little things that happen in our schools go a very long way. Good luck in helping to build them.

Mr. James Moser asked why do you think teachers quit? A lack of support from the administration. You have some excellent ones and some that need guidance. It's not the money that drives good teachers away, but it's non-supportive administrators. Teachers become discouraged and the administration should be supporting the

teachers and not managing them. It takes team work to make a school successful. Aren't we here to help the kids? Let's bring back team work into the school system.

Mr. John Turner spoke about ACE. You need to change the name since it doesn't tell parents what the meeting is all about. Mr. Turner spoke about district-wide boundary changes; stop spinning the truth at these ACE meetings. All schools will be affected and please tell the parents the truth about busing across town; lack of properly planning and being fined for not being in compliance. These topics were left out at the last ACE meeting. I'm asking you to change the format at the next ACE meeting and give the public - give public comments and questions; have real dialogue at these meetings.

Ysryl congratulated Mr. Pratt-Dannals on becoming our Superintendent of Schools and spoke about the student, Willie Harris, at First Coast High School regarding the BB gun incident. Discipline is necessary, but this student has been doing very well academically - all A's and B's. It would be a bad decision sending him to an alternative school. He did make a bad choice but losing 45 days of his senior year would have a negative affect on him. Please consider looking into an alternative placement for this young man.

Mr. Derrick Bermuda spoke about Willie Harris and pleaded with the Board to give him another chance for his senior year. Mr. Bermuda said when he was in high school, he was convicted of a felony and is still paying for it today at age 30. There is unfair treatment in the courtroom. This young man needs to move forward with positive things in his life. Please reconsider his future and do not send him to an alternative school. I didn't have anyone on my side when I was his age.

Mrs. Covington spoke on behalf of Willie Harris, a 17 year old African American student who was pressured by his peers. You are never to old to learn and I am a college student at the present time. Jacksonville is known as the "murder capital" of the south and we've earned it. We have not invested enough in this city to help these students. Education is a pathway to freedom.

Ms. Jeri Covington spoke on behalf of Willie Harris, a 17 year old student who made a mistake. He has been suspended and served that time. Do you want him to drop out of school? The credits at an alternative school don't always measure up with the home school and this could cause him to repeat his senior year. We already have too many over-aged students in our schools. Please reconsider your decision as he is a good student.

Speaker:

Ms. Betty Burney, Board Chairman

Ms. Judith Harris, mother of Willie Harris, spoke on behalf of her son. Willie is not a bad child and he's very active in school. All the children were looking at the gun. Please allow him to go to 12th grade and remain at First Coast High School. Please don't send him to an alternative school.

Ms. Dannette Harris spoke on behalf of her brother, Willie Harris. My brother is a very good person and no other students got into trouble but him. He received five days of suspension in which he served. Please reconsider his placement so he won't miss out of a possible football scholarship to college. We're asking for forgiveness and football is his sport. Please consider all the facts and information presented here, first.

Mr. Stanley Scott backed up what John Turner said earlier tonight. You must tell the truth and I support him. There have been many mis-directions...something is wrong with the leadership; problems with money at the schools with all of this put on the tax payer's back. There must be something wrong with this picture. Everything I mentioned two years ago, has come true now. What is wrong with Jacksonville? Mr. Scott spoke about the Don Brewer Early Child Development Center - why is it being closed? We must do something about this mis-direction.

Comments From Parent Organizations

COMMENTS FROM PARENT ORGANIZATIONS

Minutes:

PTA - Annette Worthen, President:

Good evening, I'm Annette Worthen, President of the Duval County Council of PTAs/PTSAs

Tonight is the first time that I come before you as the County Council President and I look forward to working with each of you this coming school year. If I can help you in any way, or if you are aware of a school in your district that needs County Council help with their PTA or PTSA, please contact me.

On May 6th PTA members and volunteers in the Duval County Schools were recognized at the Jacksonville Sun's game. During the pre-game activities PTAs and PTSAs of The Year were recognized for all of their good work in our schools. PTA members and volunteers filled one section of the stadium and everyone had a great time. We look forward to working with the Sun's in the future and making this a yearly event.

During the month of May we began working with schools and PTAs that requested our help in closing out the PTA financial records for the school year. All through the summer we will continue to work with schools and PTAs that contact us.

We have started receiving the information on the newly elected PTA Boards and have begun compiling this information. It is very important that we get the newly elected Presidents information as quickly as possible so we can pass it on to the State and National PTA offices. In doing so we insure that the training materials they send, goes to the correct President.

Speaking of training, The PTA Leadership Conference will be held at the Innisbrook resort in Tarpon Springs, July 11-13, 2008. Over 100 courses in the areas of Leadership, Finance, Organization, Advocacy and Enrichment will be open to PTA members. This training is a valuable foundation for PTA Board members as well as members at large. Duval County is well represented every year and the training and networking that takes place at the Leadership Conference is one of the many reasons that PTAs in Duval are successful.

One of the most successful PTA Programs in Duval County is in need of volunteers. The Teacher Supply Depot is manned by PTA volunteers year round. Under the direction of Chris Buckley the Depot is being moved from its current location to Lackawanna. The packing up and moving process began the day after the last giveaway in May. The first giveaway of the new school year is scheduled for August and Lackawanna will be ready! In order to have a successful opening in August PTA needs volunteers now. You may volunteer to work at the Depot any weekday this summer from 8am to 4pm. Moms, Dads, community members along with church, service and civic groups are invited to help us. This is an outstanding opportunity for high school student to volunteer because they can count the hours they volunteer towards their required community service hours. If you or an organization you belong to can help, please call Chris Buckley at the Depot, her number is 381-7480.

PTA is grateful for the support of each of the School Board members, the Superintendent and the district staff. If there are any issues that the School Board or Superintendent would like PTA to address, please call on us. Thank you.

DAC - Rachel Raneri, Chairman:

Good evening,

Due to graduations, the District Advisory Council did not meet in May. We will continue to meet over the summer.

With the many new Principals coming on board or moving around, I look forward to an opportunity to work with any Principals who may be forming a School Advisory Council for the first time.

I would like to remind all Principals that the current SAC Chair will remain in office until a new chair is voted on <u>after</u> the first day of school in the fall. All schools should have their faculty and staff members voted onto SAC during pre-planning, and parents should be voted on at the first SAC meeting <u>after</u> the first day of school. Community members are appointed by the Principal.

Business partners may or may not be on the SAC, which is a different issue handled through the Community Engagement office.

Work will begin soon on the new SAC Handbook and I hope to save money by printing fewer copies this year and we will have an easy link on the Duval web page.

The next meeting of the District Advisory Council is Monday, June 23^{rd} at 6:00 pm in the 6th floor conference room.

I will be available for SAC training and my contact information can be found on the first page of the Tri-fold.

Comments From Employee Organizations

COMMENTS FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS

Minutes:

DTU - Terrie Brady , President:

We're in the middle of bargaining and I don't want to cross the line but we're very close in finishing and it's going very well.

FAME Surveys by school and urged the Board to look at them. There are some low ares and we'll rank at the top and bottom 20. We're working on building a healthy learning environment.

Budget - the process of funding - you need to be commended and applauded for the long process you have been engaged in. There is no secret as to where the money comes from. We have an economic down-turn and we're trying to find a way to generate dollars. We need to place the blame on those as legislators; suspended tax credits for private schools, but not to public schools. We need more letters to the editor talking about what is going on; the process each of you have been folowing - open and public. We have a responsibility to meet those challenges of doing more with less. It's all about our schools and we must celebrate our employees for doing more with less.

I am urging the Board to visit or call their schools and thank them for what they do everyday!

Student Achievement, Reform Activities, And Reports

1. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Minutes:

Board Chairman Betty Burney spoke on art, music and physical education.

This past week, Deputy Superintendent Pat Willis and I sat on a stage and saw about 175 students walk across that stage to receive their diploma with the Drop Back In Academy. Lawrence Dennis, our new middle school chief - threw out some causes as to where you've been...so many were disengaged from the process and school.

Ms. Burney spoke about two elementary schools: S.A. Hull where Mr. Stickland works tirelessly with his students; Rutledge Pearson - Ms. Crotty took the time with teachers on Saturday to keep the students engaged. Dr. Jim Williams gives me hope; Carter G. Woodson is promoting art and music even though we don't have the funds. The Chartrand Foundation came through and provided the funds for Carter G. Woodson - by doing so, they gave these kids a dream to become future IT technicians, future writers, future photographers - giving these students a dream and turning it into a reality. I thank the Chartrand Foundation , the teachers, and principal at that school.

Ms. Burney showed a DVD presentation that was phenomenal and commended Carter G. Woodson, the Chartrand Foundation, principal and teachers who give of themselves, tirelessly.

2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Minutes:

Superintendent Ed Pratt-Dannals said good things have happened this year:

Susie Tolbert Elementary - new principal is aware of the situations at that school and has taken care of those issues; some real concerns and we're moving forward on that.

I wanted to congratulate the Jacksonville Bar Association for providing pamphlets and we were able to have a kick off at Wolfson High School - legal issues that students must deal with - rising seniors; very engaging speaks from the Jacksonville Bar.

I want to thank the PTSA and for all of the work over the years at the Teacher Depot - businesses donate supplies with a huge volunteer campaign to assist every day. All these items must be collected, sorted and distributed by these volunteers. They are presently moving to Lackawanna as they continue to do the great work and we appreciate all the work the PTSA does.

ACE program - discussions on the name and this is beyond just issues of boundaries; it's also issues of what programs we ought to have in which schools. Do we need to potentially consolidate some schools? There's a whole range of issues and while we're looking at this in terms of the entire district, it will not necessarily impact every school but it will impact a number of schools. In September, we'll have some specific proposals and we want response from the public before we bring it to the School Board. We do want the engagement and responses from the community and we encourage people to attend these meetings. At the beginning, we did not have preset ideas. It will become more concrete and specific as we listen and look at the information and data and come up with specific proposals.

It's been a great and challenging year - I must commend our principals and teachers on is when the Superintendency change happened in November, they never missed a beat and have done a terrific job. We've moved forward in our Theory of Action with consistency across the district and a high quality of curriculum; more specific learning calendars, course assessments, providing additional assistance, focus on resources, reading adoption, alignment process, much work done at the high school level and results now. We've added many areas to the high school curriculum. We must define the key areas in high schools and we're making tremendous progress on that.

Spoke about Read 180 and the results look very positive; providing support and challenging students with a proper balance; students and parents are now asking how to get into Advanced Placement courses. The Community Engagement Office has ramped up under the direction of Dr. Alvin White; the Turn Around Schools are moving forward; showing progress in attracting national grants; community engagement with parents; students in ESE - bringing them into Inclusion classes which are going very well.

Number of hours in professional development and tailoring for each school; working on a growing diversity in Jacksonville; World Language Program - Chinese; diversity training; Celebration of Paper Clips - Josephine Jackson; stabilization of the teacher force - Teach for America and Educators for Change - secondary teachers; expand our arts access at the elementary level - very challenging; increase the program support - neighborhood schools with quality programs vice magnet schools.

Thank you to all principals and teachers. Teachers were at school on Saturdays and not getting paid - they have all gone the extra mile and I appreciate that!

Dr. Jim Williams and Donna Hulsey - this is their last official Board meeting as they are retiring. We wish them well!

Reports

1. OPERATIONS - MR. PAUL SOARES

Minutes:

Mr. Paul Soares, Chief Officer for Operations Support spoke on two topics: ACE Meetings and Flawless Opening:

The second round for ACE meetings will be on June 16 at Andrew Jackson High School at 6:00 p.m. We're not proposing any changes and will present the process and team structure with Jessie Wiles and Tracy Richter. All ACE meetings will be at 6:00 pm with meetings scheduled on June 23 at Ed White High School; June 24 at Wolfson High School; and June 30 at Kernan Middle School.

At the June 16 meeting, we will invite volunteers for the working groups.

Flawless Opening - we are preparing the school system for the opening day; 17 measurable areas; email and reminders; successfully manage all areas.

Approval of Agenda

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 9, 2008, AGENDA

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the June 9, 2008, Agenda as submitted on May 27, 2008, with the changes listed in the agenda item.

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

Approval of Minutes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes:

That the Duval County School Board approve the following minutes:

March 11, 2008 - Special April 8, 2008 - Board Workshop April 15, 2008 - Board Workshop April 15, 2008 - Special - Executive Session April 30, 2008 - Professional Services Committee May 1, 2008 - Board Workshop May 6, 2008 - Regular Meeting May 23, 2008 - Professional Services Committee

Motions:

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

Vote Results

Motion: Martha Barrett

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

Approval of Consent Agenda

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motions:		
That the Duval County School Board approve the Consent Agenda.	- PASS	
Vote Results		
Motion: Martha Barrett		
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	

Consent Agenda

Human Resource Services - Staffing

1. HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES EMPLOYEE TRANSACTIONS

Attachment: <u>HRS_Attach1B_PRINCIPAL_APPOINTMENTS_AND_PROMOTIONS_alpha.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>HRS_Attach1A_06-09-08_TRANS.pdf</u>

2. REAPPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS

Attachment: reappointment.2.month.district.admn.06.04.08.pdf

3. REAPPOINTMENT OF SPECIALISTS AND PSYCHOLOGISTS

Attachment: reappointment.2 month.psy.spec.admn.06.05.08.pdf

4. REAPPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL-BASED ADMINISTRATORS

Attachment: reappointment.school.admn.05.22.08.pdf

Human Resource Services - Professional Standards

1. SUSPENSIONS WITHOUT PAY

Attachment: <u>HRS_Attach_06-09-08_susp.pdf</u>

Administration and Business Services - Budget and Financial

1. RESOLUTION TO READOPT 2007-2008 BUDGET

Attachment: READOPTRESOLUTION2008.pdf

Minutes:

Board Chairman Betty Burney asked Mike Perrone, Budget Director, to explain the FEFP (Florida Education Finance Program) which he did. Mr. Perrone said we will compile the figures in July.

2. ADOPTION OF BUDGET RESOLUTIONS

Attachment: Food Service Resolution June 9.pdf Attachment: Special Revenue Other Fund June 9.pdf Attachment: Capital Projects Resolution June 9.pdf Attachment: General Fund Resolution June 9.pdf

3. MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Attachment: Draft April 2008 Board Statement Worksheet.pdf Attachment: Final March 2008 Board Statement Worksheet.pdf

4. INTERNAL ACCOUNTS FUNDS - SCHOOL AUDITS

Attachment: IntAudAgendaforJune2008.pdf

Operations - Real Estate, Planning and Programming

1. LICENSE AGREEMENT TO COJ - ASH CONTAMINATION REMOVAL & REMEDIATION

Minutes:

Board Chairman Betty Burney shared concerns in not being comfortable with the language. One school is in my district. Please explain to the Board and the public what is not substantive?

Mr. Paul Soares, Chief Office for Operations Support spoke of Ault & White - for minor Errors and Omissions - really insignificant. We will bring this back to the Board.

The Chairman requested a brief report from time to time to explain what is going on and what has taken place.

The Superintendent said we will get a report to the Board, no matter how minor.

Operations - Facilities Project Design, Construction and Maintenance

1. NEW BARTRAM SPRINGS K-5 SCHOOL NO. 161: PHASE III (CONSTRUCTION) DOCUMENTS - C-91130

2. NEW WATERLEAF K-5 SCHOOL NO. 160: PHASE III (CONSTRUCTION) DOCUMENTS - C-91140

3. NEW AUTISTIC CLASSROOMS AT KERNAN MIDDLE SCHOOL NO. 279: DP CONTRACT AWARD - C-91200

4. EGRESS IMPROVEMENTS AT LEE HS - C-91260, AND FORREST HS - C-91270: CM SELECTION

5. ANNUAL FIRE, CASUALTY, AND SANITATION INSPECTION REPORTS

6. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: FACILITIES SERVICES CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDER RPT (MAY 2008)

Attachment: XX-C-O-RPT-MAY-08.pdf

7. CONVERSION OF DARNELL-COOKMAN: CM CONTRACT AWARD AND CLERICAL ERROR CORRECTION - C-91160

Operations - Purchasing and Logistics

1. RENEWAL OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT CONSULTANT WITH GALLAGHER BENEFITS SERVICES

Minutes:

Mr. Hazouri said we've had the same broker for the last 18 years - why one company all of this time? Mr. Hazouri made a request for qualifications. What have we done with contractors over the past few years?

Mr. Paul Soares, Chief Officer for Operations Support siad it's a huge industry that requires deep pockets. We look at it each year. We have the lowest cost structure in the state and we will look at the feasibility. It could be a costly move and we will look into it at the right climate and will take the approach.

2. HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL

3. FOOD SERVICE AGREEMENT 2008-2009

Attachment: <u>BreakfastintheClassroomJune607.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>BreakfastintheClassroomJune6071.pdf</u>

Minutes:

Board Chairman Betty Burney said with an increase in student lunches, how do you plan to provide this information to parents before school begins?

Mr. Paul Soares, Chief Officer for Operations Support said this information was presented last summer, July, 2007, and it will be put out again this summer. We typically work through the schools to pass this information on. we'll make sure it gets out.

4. WELLNESS POLICY

5. WORKERS' COMPENSATION SETTLEMENT-MICHAEL GOODSON

Attachment: MichaelGoodson.pdf

6. CALL PILOT SYSTEM UPGRADE

Attachment: Nortel Voice Messaging System.pdf

7. ELECTRICAL LIGHT FIXTURES

Attachment: <u>ELECTRICAL LIGHT FIXTURES.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>Electrical Light Fixtures.pdf</u>

8. CARPENTRY/REPAIR CONTINUING CONTRACT SERVICES

Attachment: CARPENTRY SERVICES COST EVALUATION POINTS.pdf

Attachment: <u>CARPENTRY SERVICES EVALUATION - FINAL.pdf</u>

10. CONTRACT LABOR

Attachment: <u>Contract Labor.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>TABSHEET.pdf</u>

11. COMMITTEE FOR CHILDREN - SECOND STEP CURRICULA

12. CUSTODIAL SERVICES MANAGEMENT, RFP NO. 8-01/LG - CONTRACT AMENDMENT

13. SURPLUS PROPERTY RETIREMENT REPORT

Attachment: 05June08.pdf Attachment: 06June08.pdf Attachment: 07June08.pdf Attachment: ROJUN08.pdf Attachment: June 08.pdf Attachment: AGENDA step BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES FORM1.pdf Attachment: 04JUNE08.pdf

14. DISTRICT WIDE ONLINE GRADE BOOK SERVICE - WITHDRAWN

15. STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES GSA 1, GSA 2, GSA 3, AND GSA 4 - CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Academic Services - School Curriculum and Programs

2. 2008-2009 APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL FORMULARY GRANTS UNDER THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT OF 2001

Attachment: BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES Consolidated Application.pdf

3. CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN OPTIMAL PERFORMANCE, INC. AND DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Attachment: <u>OPI Template PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>Agenda BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES OPI.pdf</u>

4. EDUCATIONAL DIRECTIONS LLC PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR SELECTED SCHOOLS

Attachment: <u>DeSensi Non-Title I Tentative.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>B& CHALLENGES DeSensi.pdf</u>

Academic Services - Special Services

1. CONTINUATION OF AN INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT WITH THE DUVAL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Attachment: BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES Duval County Health Department.pdf

2. CONTINUATION OF IDEA, PART B; IDEA, PART B PRESCHOOL; AND THE FLORIDA DIAGNOSTIC AND LEARNING RESOURCES SYSTEM (FDLRS) GRANT APPLICATIONS

Attachment: <u>FDLRSExecSummary08-09Duval.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>IDEAPtBandPreschoolExecSummary 08-09.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>IDEAPtBandPreschoolBudgetSummaries 08-09.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>FDLRSBudgetSum08-09.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES Continuation of Grant Applications.pdf</u>

4. SUBMISSION OF NEW 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER GRANT PROPOSAL

Attachment: <u>TEAMUP20062007AcademicPerformance.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>BenefitsandChallengesForm21stCCLCNewGrantProposal.pdf</u>

5. SUBMISSION OF 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER CONTINUATION PROPOSAL

Attachment: <u>BenefitsandChallengesForm21stCCLCContinuationProposal.pdf</u>

Attachment: <u>TEAMUP20062007AcademicPerformance.pdf</u>

Academic Services - Professional Development

1. NOVICE INTENSIVE READING TEACHERS IN HIGH NEEDS HIGH SCHOOLS

Attachment: <u>BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES.docJune920088888.pdf</u>

2. MASTER INSERVICE PLAN - ADDITIONAL COMPONENT: NO EXCUSES

Attachment: <u>BenefitsandchallengesNOEXCUSES520088888.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>NOEXCUSESPART3.pdf</u>

Minutes:

Board Chairman Betty Burney said this is one of the best ways to eliminate the achievement gap and that this is a research-based course. Looking at the feeder patterns, everything is aligned and it filters down. Please provide to the Board at intervals an update as to what is taking place.

3. SCHULTZ CENTER AGREEMENT FOR 2008-2009

Attachment: <u>S C Training Report 07-08.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES Schultz Contract.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>Contract Language Modifications.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>Ops Agreement 2008-2009 accepted 5-8-08.pdf</u>

Minutes:

Board Chairman Betty Burney said the Schultz Center Agreement is an agreement that helps us to get the professional development that we need for our staff and through that professional development, we should be able to get what the Schultz Center does and filter it down to each child. I think the Schultz Center will be able to help us with that through their professional development services so I would like to commend them for all of the work that they have done. I'd like to commend you, Ms. Willis, for the way you have helped to make that coronation a smooth process. I do feel very hopeful with this Master Inservice Plan and I'd like to see the results as frequently as possible.

Discussion

Human Resource Services - Staffing

5. REAPPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL-BASED INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL

Attachment: reappointment.tchr.05.22.08.pdf

Minutes:

Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Vice Chairman, said he must abstain from voting on this item as his son is being reappointed and is part of this agenda item.

The Superintendent announced the following appointments and changes:

Barbara Langley move to the Schultz Center as Chief Operating Officer Dr. Amy Lingren moving to the Elementary, Cluster I Chief Officer; Pat Willis will work with the existing staff - I'd like to commend Dr. Lingren for the fine work she's done - two great professionals who are still part of the team.

Dr. Connie Hall from J.W. Johnson to Director of Community Involvement

Mr. Ken Sutton to Executive Director of ESE and Student Services Ms. Senida Young to Executive Director for Policy and Compliance

Principals:

Jeanne Ballentine from Principal, JEB Stuart MS to Principal, Arlington MS Chris Begley, from Principal, Providence School to Principal, Loretto ES Greg Bostic, from VP Terry Parker HS to Principal, JEB Stuart MS Sheridan Brown, Principal Central Riverside ES to Principal, Enterprise Academy ES Ronda Cotter, Director, Early College to Principal, Lake Shore MS Alan Due, from Principal, Stockton ES to Principal, Pinedale ES Yvonne Ferguson, from AP, Sandalwood HS to Principal, Mayport ES Robert Gresham, from Principal, Highlands ES to Principal, Northwestern MS Vincent Hall, from AP First Coast HS to Principal, Joseph Stilwell MS Laverne Hamilton, from Principal, Norwood ES to Principal Cedar Hills ES Lacy Healy, from AP Lake Shore MS to Principal, Stockton ES June Marshall, from VP, Kirby Smith MS to Principal, Kirby Smith MS Kerwyn Neal, from Principal, Cedar Hills ES to Principal,, Highlands ES Ashton Price, from Principal, Northwestern MS to Principal, Parkwood Heights ES Rebecca Rhoden, from Principal, Carver ES to Principal, Oak Hill ES Deneisetres Robertson, from AP Kernan ES to Principal, Twin Lakes ES Ellen Rubens, from Principal, Lola Culver ES to Principal, Venetia ES Deborah P. Smith, from Principal, Arlington MS to Principal, First Coast HS Paula Smith, from AP Loretto ES to Principal, Arlington ES John David Theus, from Principal, Venetia ES to Principal, Central Riverside ES Timothy Warren, from Principal, Arlington ES to Principal, Carver ES Andrea Williams-Scott, from AP Paxon MS to Principal, Gregory Drive ES Iranetta Wright, from Principal, Lake Shore MS to Principal, Andrew Jackson HS

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the reappointment of School-Based Instructional Personnel identified for the 2008-2009 school year in their present classifications, grades and salary steps and contingent upon completion of all requirements for continued certification.

Vote Results

Motion: Victoria Drake

Second: Martha Barrett

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

Operations - Purchasing and Logistics

9. TITLE I INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

Attachment: <u>RFP 5-08 Eval.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>Title I Instructional.pdf</u>

Minutes:

<u>Speakers:</u> Dr. Amy Lingren, Chief of Academic Services Ms. Betty Burney, Board Chairman Mr. Frank Herrington, Supervisor, Title I Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member

Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Vice Chairman

Motions:

 That the Duval County School Board enter into negotiations for Title I Instructional Services with Catapult Learning LLC for the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.
Authorize the Board Chairman and the Superintendent to affix their signatures to the contract upon approval as to legal form and sufficiency by the Office of Policy and Compliance.
PASS Recommend authority be delegated to the Superintendent or his designee to renew the contract in subsequent years provided terms and conditions are favorable to the School District and subject to the availability of funds. There are four potential renewals.

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

Academic Services - School Curriculum and Programs

1. PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2008-2009 STUDENT PROGRESSION PLAN

Attachment: <u>0809RECCHANGESTOBOARD2.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>BENEFITSANDCHALLENGESFORM051308.pdf</u>

Minutes:

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

Modifications to the 2008-2009 Student Progression Plan

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.

Speakers: Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent of Schools Ms. Betty Burney, Board Chairman Ms. Kris Barnes, Board Member Ms. Nancy Broner, Board Member

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a public hearing on the revisions to the Student Progression Plan, 2008-2009. That, subsequent to the public hearing, the Duval County School Board approve the 2008-2009 Student Progression Plan.

Vote Results	
Motion: Victoria Drake	
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

Academic Services - Special Services

3. PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO THE CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT, 2008-2009

Attachment: <u>CodeofConduct200809.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES Code of Conduct 08.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>ChangestoStudentcodeofConduct200809.pdf</u>

Minutes:

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

Revisions to the Code of Student Conduct, 2008-2009

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 on the revisions to the Code of Student Conduct, 2008-2009 outlined in the attached summary. That, subsequent to the public hearing, the Duval County School Board approve the 2008-2009 Code of Student Conduct and printing costs not to exceed \$90,000.	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Victoria Drake	
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

General

1. DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP DUES AND FEES FOR 2008-2009

Attachment: <u>ANNUAL-DUES-AND-FEES-2008-2009.pdf</u>

Minutes:

Ms. Nancy Broner offered an amendment for two purposes:

"To deem the Center for Reform of School Systems as a sole-source provideer of Reform Governance training due to its relationship with the Broad Foundatiion and to disclose my relationship as a consultant trainer for Center for Reform of School Systems for other school board/superintendent teams.

Subsequent to this Board's prior approval of this training opportunity with the Center for Reform of School Systems for the continuation of our Broad training, I became a consultant trainer with this organization.

In accordance with Section 112.313(12) of the Florida Statutes, I am disclosing my relationship with Center for Reform of School Systems, which will result in abstaining from the vote on this amendment.

Therefore, I move to amend this item to separate Center for Reform of School Systems from the attached list in order that it may be found to be a sole-source, and so that it may be voted on separately."

The Chairman said the following:

"Very recently, I was asked to become a consultant trainer with this organization for school board chairs in accordance with Section 112.313(12) of the Florida Statutes, I am disclosing a potential relationship with Center for Reform of School Systems. I do not have a contract with CRSS, however, I do wish to abstain from the vote on this amendment."

Ms. Barnes seconded the motion to amend.

<u>Speaker:</u> Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Vice Chairman

Motions:	
	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Nancy Broner	
Second: Kristanna Barnes	
Kristanna Barnes	- Aye
Martha Barrett	- Aye
Nancy Broner	- Abstain
Betty Burney	- Abstain
Victoria Drake	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Brenda Priestly Jackson	- Aye

Motions:	
That the Duval County School Board approve the membership for the 2008-2009 school year in organizations on the attached list.	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Victoria Drake	
Second: Kristanna Barnes	
Kristanna Barnes	- Ауе
Martha Barrett	- Ауе
Nancy Broner	- Ауе
Betty Burney	- Ауе
Victoria Drake	- Ауе
Thomas Hazouri	- Ауе
Brenda Priestly Jackson	- Ауе

Emergency Agenda Items

1. REVISION OF AGENDA ITEM #32 THE STATE ADOPTION OF ELEMENTARY CORE READING SERIES MATERIALS, K-5, JANUARY 7, 2008

Board Member Travel

BOARD MEMBERS TRAVEL

Minutes: There are no items on this agenda.

Superintendent's Travel

SUPERINTENDENT'S TRAVEL

Minutes: There are no items on this agenda.

For The Record

FOR THE RECORD

Minutes:

Ms. Barnes said she attended four graduations and there was one common theme when the students gave their speeches - giving back to the community. Ms. Barnes also mentioned the hologram lab in the communications/technology lab at Englewood High School. They gave the Museum of Science and History (MOSH) a hologram and it is displayed in London. We had an incredible time and I wanted to thank them publicly. Ms. Barnes mentioned the Southside Middle School band program as they do a great job; attended the closing of Lola Culver Elementary School which was yet sad and a most meaningful and beautiful ceremony. One of the first votes ever taken when Ms. Barrett and I came on the Board was the new school at North Shore Elementary - the children are moving into that facility.

Ms. Drake said she attended Sadie Tillis Day. The elementary schools was built over 80 years ago and one of the original educators was present. It was a very warm ceremony and the community came out and supported this event. Ms. Drake attended the 5th Grade Recognition Program; attended the groundbreaking of AAA High School which was very exciting; attended five graduations and was very impressed with each of the ceremonies - they did a very nice job; attended the closing of Lola Culver Elementary and was most impressed by the drum line - these kids were awesome.

Mr. Hazouri said all the graduations he attended this week were exciting and very dignified and respectful. He congratulated Michael Lewis who had over a 4.8 grade point average who will be attending the University of Florida in the fall; he attended the groundbreaking for AAA High School in the Sweetwater area which will open in the fall of 2010; Bartram Springs will be breaking ground for a new elementary school; wished all teachers a very safe summer; mentioned the retirement of Carolyn Rademacher and wishing her well. We're going to miss her as she served this district very well; as well as Cindy Thompson and Donna Hulsey - we went to Jacksonville University together. Thanked everyone for what you do for this district - it's been a good year. Wish you a very pleasant summer vacation.

Ms. Broner spoke about celebration and appreciation for graduations, retirements, AAA High School groundbreaking, flag raising, musical and art presentations, athletic awards, banquets - a time of remembrance for two students that we lost - senior - Jordan Williams from Fletcher High and Jordan Ray from Sandalwood, were both honored at their graduations by their classmates and administration and their diplomas were presented to their families - I wanted to acknowledge this time of tribute to these two fine, young people who tragically won't be with us.

Ms. Barrett

Adjournment

Superintendent

Chairman