



Duval County Public Schools

May 17, 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, with the exception of Vice-Chairman Betty Burney, who was out of town. Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent, was also present.

Call Meeting To Order

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Minutes:

The Chairman called the Board Workshop to order at 10:09 a.m.

Chairman Gentry shared that the Superintendent was on his way back to Jacksonville from the DOE meeting in Largo, FL this morning. Our plan for the 4 intervene schools was approved by the DOE Board of Education.

The Chairman also reminded members about the upcoming Retreat to be held on May 31st - June 1, 2011, at Oceans One. The costs will be covered by the Board members and from donations. Vice-Chairman Burney is working on the agenda for the Retreat and will ask a Broad consultant to come and discuss boardsmanship with the group.

Items To Be Discussed

1. SCHULTZ ANNUAL REPORT

Minutes:

Chairman Gentry thanked Jim Milligan for his services this past year as Chairman of the Schultz Board of Directors. Debra Giannoulis will be the Chairman for the coming year.

Barbara Langley, CEO/President, Schultz Center, and Dawn Wilson, Executive Director, Professional Development, presented the Board with the Annual Schultz Center report. A copy of the report is attached to the Minutes. Board Members asked about the following areas:

- Reading Initiative.
- Total cut in Schultz contract.
- On-line courses vs. those conducted at the Schultz Center.
- Provide Board with information on how many of the hours for professional development for coaches was supplanted by TDE's.
- Discussed changes over the past 10 years in services provided by the Schultz Center - more internal capacity; more in-house vendors; etc.
- Discussed brochure which was copyrighted by Kathy Devine.
- Suggested Schultz Center be more pro-active in seeking grant dollars.
- Provide Board with information on comparison with other urban districts - comparison of costs - outsource to Schultz vs other district expenditures - are we saving or losing money.

Speakers:

Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Chairman
Ms. Barbara Langley, CEO/President, Schultz Center
Ms. Dawn Wilson, Executive Director, Professional Development
Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member
Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member
Ms. Paula D. Wright, Board Member
Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Board Member
Ms. Becki Couch, Board Member

2. JUNE 13, 2011, DRAFT AGENDA REVIEW

Minutes:

Staff reviewed the June 13, 2011, Draft Agenda with the Board. The following points

were made:

- Operations - Purchasing & Logistics - Item 3 - Custodial Services - Provide Board with how many custodians are GCA employees and how many are DCSB employees, by school, and how many are working full time and how many are working part time. This item will be removed from the agenda for now.
- Academics Item 7 - IDEIA - Provide Board with analysis of how much are program dollars and what is coming from the District - where does the money come from.
- Academics 3 - Schultz Center Contract - Provide Board with information on staff - those that work for Schultz - those who work for DCPS and are deployed to Schultz, etc.
- HRS - Reappointment Items - Provide Board with information on reappointments and non-reappoints as soon as it is ready.

Speakers:

Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Chairman
Mr. Paul Soares, Chief of Operations
Ms. Paula D. Wright, Board Member
Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member
Ms. Vicki Reynolds, Chief Human Resource Services Officer
Mr. Doug Ayars, Chief Operating Officer
Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member
Ms. Pat Willis, Deputy Superintendent
Ms. Becki Couch, Board Member
Mr. Fel Lee, Board Member
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent

[3. JW JOHNSON/PAXON/BUTLER TRANSITION PLAN](#)

Minutes:

This item was not discussed.

[4. READING OUTREACH](#)

Minutes:

Chairman Gentry expressed his appreciation to Mayor Peyton for loaning Renee Brust to the school system to assist our staff with the reading initiative.

Matt Saffer, Coordinator of Video Communications, provided the Board with an overview and status report on the initiative. A press conference will be held on June 7, 2011, to officially kick off the Read It Forward campaign.

Ms. Brust thanked the Board for allowing her to participate in this project, and also provided information on what will happen from this point forward with the initiative. A copy of materials relating to this program is attached to the Minutes.

Board members will be provided with PowerPoints to use when speaking to various organizations and groups throughout the community. Board members asked that Academic Services and our Community and Family Engagement offices be included.

Speakers:

Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Chairman
Mr. Matt Saffer, Coordinator of Video Communications
Ms. Renee Brust, City of Jacksonville
Ms. Paula D. Wright, Board Member
Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member
Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member
Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Board Member
Ms. Becki Couch, Board Member

5. BOARD-SUPERINTENDENT GOVERNANCE

Minutes:

The following items were discussed during Governance:

- The Superintendent will provide Board with additional information on combining of classes for elementary art, music, and P.E., and areas of certification for the teachers involved.

Adjournment

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Minutes:

The Chairman adjourned the Board Workshop at 4:40 p.m.

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We Agree on this

Superintendent

Chairman