



Duval County Public Schools

November 22, 2011, Organizational Meeting

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

ATTENDANCE AT THIS ORGANIZATIONAL 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. Fred "Fel" Lee, Vice Chairman and Board Members: Ms. Martha Barrett, Ms. Becki Couch, Mr. W. C. Gentry, Mr. Tommy Hazouri and Ms. Paula D. Wright, present.

Call Meeting to Order

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Minutes:

The Chairman called the Organizational meeting to order at 5:18 p.m.

Invocation

INVOCATION

Minutes: A *Moment of Silence* was held.

Pledge of Allegiance

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Members'

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Minutes:

The Honorable Mayor Alvin Brown was recognized for being present at this meeting.

Mr. Tommy Hazouri nominated Ms. Betty Burney for Chairman with no other nominations. Ms. Burney was unanimously elected Chairman of the Board for the 2011-2012 year.

Motion: Tommy Hazouri

Martha Barrett - Aye
Betty Burney - Aye
Becki Couch - Aye
W.C. Gentry - Aye
Tommy Hazouri - Aye
Fred "Fel" Lee - Aye
Paula D. Wright - Aye

2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Minutes:

Mr. W. C. Gentry nominated Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee for Vice Chairman with no other nominations. Mr. Lee was unanimously elected as Vice Chairman of the Board for the 2011-2012 year.

Motion: W. C. Gentry

Martha Barrett - Aye
Betty Burney - Aye
Becki Couch - Aye
W.C. Gentry - Aye
Tommy Hazouri - Aye

Fred "Fel" Lee - Aye
Paula D. Wright - Aye

OATH OF OFFICE:

The *Oath of Office* was administered to both Ms. Burney and Mr. Lee by the Honorable Alvin Brown, Mayor of Jacksonville.

VIDEO:

A brief video was shown entitled "Mission Critical/Mission Possible" regarding mentoring.

3. ESTABLISH TIME, PLACE, AND DATE OF REGULAR MEETINGS

Minutes:

Mr. Gentry recommended that the Duval County School Board conduct their regular meetings on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Cline Auditorium, first floor of the Administration Building, 1701 Prudential Drive.

Motion: W.C. Gentry
Second: Tommy Hazouri

Martha Barrett - Aye
Betty Burney - Aye
Becki Couch - Aye
W.C. Gentry - Aye
Tommy Hazouri - Aye
Fred "Fel" Lee - Aye
Paula D. Wright - Aye

For The Record

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Minutes:

Ms. Paula Wright congratulated the Chairman and Vice Chairman and said that I'm looking forward to a new year. We'll take that "B" to an "A" level.

Mr. W. C. Gentry thanked the mayor for our relationship.

Ms. Martha Barrett congratulated the Chairman and Vice Chairman and thanked the mayor. We need more mentors for our children.

Mr. Tommy Hazouri congratulated the Chairman and Vice Chairman and spoke about a challenging year. Mr. Hazouri thanked the mayor for working with the school district and having faith in the school district. I also appreciate our friendship. It's all about our children.

Ms. Becki Couch congratulated Ms. Burney and Mr. Lee and said I'm looking forward to a productive year. I also want to thank Mr. Gentry for his leadership this year. It has been a great learning experience and thanked the mayor for being supportive in education.

Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee congratulated Ms. Burney and said I'm looking forward to working with all our Board members. I thank Mr. Gentry for his leadership this year. I'm looking forward to serving with you for another year. To Mayor Brown, your comments are heard, tonight. Thank you for supporting this Board and being a mentor. Thank you to my wife; I married way up! Thanked the principals for your hard work and we do appreciate you very much!

Ms. Betty Burney thanked Mayor Alvin Brown and Linda Lanier. Also, I thank W. C. Gentry for his leadership and he is a great attorney.

Adjournment

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Minutes:

The Organizational meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

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Superintendent

Chairman