

# E-AGENDA MANAGER

# **Duval County Public Schools**

# October 20, 2015, Board Workshop

Ms. Cheryl Grymes, Chairman

Ms. Ashley Smith Juarez, Vice-Chairman

Ms. Becki Couch

Mr. Jason Fischer

Dr. Constance S. Hall

Mr. Scott Shine

Ms. Paula D. Wright

Dr. Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent

ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD: All Board Members were present. Dr. Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent, and Ms. Karen Chastain, Chief of Legal Services, were also present.

Call Meeting To Order

## CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Minutes: The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m.

**Public Comment** 

Items To Be Discussed

**BOUNDARY CHANGES** 

Minutes:

Cheryl Grymes, Chairman, discussed the timeline which was reviewed at a previous meeting. Discussion included the following:

- At the September 1, 2015,-Regular Board Meeting, the agenda item on the boundary timeline waiver passed. This item revised the public hearing date to no later than January 2016 and the Board action date to no later than February 2016.
- At the October 6, 2015, Regular Board Meeting, the agenda item to revise the boundary timeline waiver a second time from the September 1, 2015, meeting failed.
- Board Policy 2.25 VII. states an affirmative vote of at least five Board Members is required to waive Board Policy.
- The consensus of the Board was to bring the agenda item concerning the waiver of Board Policy 2.25 VII. to the November 3, 2015, Regular Board Meeting. Board Member Paula Wright would bring this item back during the For The Record portion of the meeting. This item would amend the original item to revise the timeline for the public hearing date to April 2016 and the Board action to May 2016.

Board Member Scott Shine requested Karen Chastain, Chief of Legal Services, to look at what the rationale was as to why this policy states a super majority is needed to waive Board Policy.

Dr. Vitti, Superintendent, indicated that he is working with the current timeline but will adjust the timeline after the Board votes at the November 3, 2015, meeting.

Board Member Paula Wright discussed the revised timeline which was sent to the Board Members over the weekend. She asked the Superintendent the logic behind the changes that have been presented to the public. Dr. Vitti, Superintendent, made the changes because of conversations with the community. He pulled Matthew Gilbert Middle School from the boundary proposal because he did not feel the community was in favor of the change which also allows John Love not to lose a traditional public school educational offering. Ms. Wright is not in support of losing any more students.

Board Member Scott Shine left the meeting at 2:47 p.m. He did not return.

Dr. Vitti, Superintendent, indicated he will e-mail the Board a list of the working group members and a list of what groups will be combined. The kick-off meeting for the Proposed Boundary changes will be October 26, 2015, at Englewood High School at 6:00 p.m. Board Member Constance Hall suggested a bus be provided in the Long Branch, area if needed, for parents to attend the meeting at Englewood High School.

### **GOVERNANCE**

### Minutes:

Board Member Jason Fischer reviewed a letter he drafted to support the use of nationally normed-referenced tests statewide beginning in 2015-

16 in place of using the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). The letter would be sent to the State Board of Education and the Legislature. The Board Members were asked to send their recommended revisions to Karen Chastain, Chief of Legal Services. The letter will be discussed at the October 27, 2015, meeting. The resolution will be added to the November 3, 2015, agenda.

Adjournment	
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Minutes:	
The meeting was adjourn	ned at 3:58 p.m.
CSM	
We Agree on this	
Superintendent	Chairman