

# E-AGENDA MANAGER

# **Duval County Public Schools**

# October 6, 2015, Regular Board Meeting

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 REGULAR MEETING OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD: All Board Members were present except Chairman Cheryl Grymes. Vice-Chairman Ashley Smith Juarez presided over the meeting. Dr. Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent, and Ms. Karen Chastain, Chief Officer of Legal Services, were also present.

Call Meeting to Order

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Minutes: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation or Thought of the Day

INVOCATION OR THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Minutes: Pastor Ben Olson gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

# Recognitions/Presentations of Awards

### **Board Members**

### HOLIDAY HILL ELEMENTARY

### Minutes:

Tammy Haberman, Principal Holiday Hill Elementary School

Students from Holiday Hill Elementary School, Saloni Joshi, Jullian Williams, and Zoey Larson, showcased their school through an audio/video presentation which highlights programs that promote leadership skills among the students. The video that was prepared and shown that evening was done by their students.

Vice-Chairman Ashley Smith Juarez thanked Ms. Haberman for taking the time to bring the students and video to the meeting and demonstrating the strong leadership skills taught at the school.

### Communications

## **RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL MERIT SEMIFINALISTS**

### Minutes:

We begin tonight's presentation by recognizing Duval County Public Schools' students who have joined the ranks of an elite group of high school seniors from all over the country.

- This year, twenty Duval County School students have earned the title of National Merit Semifinalist. They are among 16 thousand semifinalists named in the 61st annual National Merit Scholarship Program.
- It's estimated that 1.5 million students entered the Scholarship Program in 2014, when they took the Preliminary SAT, National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.
- Just over one percent of those entrants go on to become

Semifinalists, so you can understand why this is such an honor.

- The next step for these semifinalists will be to submit applications in which they'll be considered finalists. From there, 2500 students will be awarded with a National Merit Scholarship. We wish all of our semifinalists the very best moving forward in this program.
- Please join me in welcoming the following students, and their school representatives, for this outstanding accomplishment.
- From Stanton College Preparatory School, joined by Principal Nongongoma Majova-Seane, and school counselors Penny Studstill, Helen Tadoum Osburn, and May Ibasco -Congratulations to: Thomas Brown, Christian P. Bunker, Grant C. De la Vasselais, John Fewell, Savannah R. Hall, Ravi D. Patel, Udhayaswaran Ponshunmugam, Evan B. Qu, and Logan Marcum

We also want to recognize our semifinalists from Stanton who were not able to make it this evening. Congratulations to:

Sean Doherty, Solana Huang, Suhani Jain, Victoria Mityul, Elsie Platzer, Brandon Schroeder, and Brooke Stephens

- From Mandarin High School, joined by Principal Donna Richardson Congratulations to Amy Lebanoff.
- From Douglas Anderson School of the Arts, joined by Assistant Principal Sony Gaiter Congratulations to Jacob Dvorak.
- And from Paxon School for Advance Studies, joined by Principal Royce Turner Congratulations to Esther Iya and Chase Welch.

## PRESENTATION OF CONGRESSIONAL YOUTH MEDALS

### Minutes:

If you were ever looking for students who exemplify the expression "hard work pays off," look no further than the honorees in our next presentation.

Tonight, we are pleased to recognize four hard-working Fletcher High School Students who have put their skills to the test, and have earned the Congressional Award, Silver Medal. Joining us to share more about the award and these students, are Jackie Smith, District Director for United States Congressman Ander Crenshaw and Kathy Christensen, Director of Education for Beaches Habitat for Humanity.

## DALE CARNEGIE COURSE AWARD

### Minutes:

For our final presentation, we are proud to recognize a Duval County Sophomore who has earned an award that typically goes to adults.

- Founded in 1912, Dale Carnegie Training offers businessmen and businesswomen the chance to participate in an 8-week session that includes stress management, communications training, and more.
- But one Paxon School for Advanced Studies student took it upon himself to enroll in this training, during the summer, so he could sharpen his own skills.
- His name is Curtis Martin and his adult peers were so impressed by him, they nominated him to be the recipient of the Dale Carnegie Course Award - the Highest Award for Achievement.
- Please join me in honoring this exceptional student who is accompanied by his principal, Royce Turner. Congratulations Curtis Martin winner of the Dale Carnegie Course Award.

## Approval of Agenda

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

### Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the October 6, 2015, agenda as submitted on September 29, 2015 with the following changes:

Communications –
 Outstanding Community
 Partner Award Recipient –
 Page #13 - Withdrawn

- 2. Communications –Employee Excellence Award– Page #14 Withdrawn
- Communications –
   Recognition of National
   Merit Semifinalists Added
- 4. Approval of Minutes Minutes Revised

- PASS

- 5. Academic Services Duval County Public Schools Annual Professional Development Plan – I tem #10 – Page 233 – Attachment Replaced
- 6. Academic Services Quality Education For All Plan For Duval Transformation Office – I tem #12 – Page #324 – Attachment Replaced and Attachment Added
- 7. Board Member Travel Revised
- 8. Superintendent's Travel Revised

Vote Results

Motion: Rebecca Couch Second: Paula Wright

Rebecca Couch - Aye
Jason Fischer - Aye

Cheryl Grymes - Not Present

Connie Hall - Aye
Ashley Juarez - Aye
Scott Shine - Aye
Paula Wright - Aye

## Chairperson's Report

### CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Minutes:

## UPCOMING MEETING DATES

October 13, 2015 - Board Workshop - Room 613 - 9:00 a.m.

October 20, 2015 - Board Workshop and Committee Meeting - Room 613 - 9:00 a.m.

October 20, 2015 - Joint Meeting with FSCJ Board of Trustees - Location and Time To Be Announced

Superintendent's Report

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Minutes:

Dr. Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent, Duval County Public Schools

In light of the cut scores that were released, Dr. Vitti updated everyone on student academic performance as it relates to Duval County, attributing the decrease in student performance to the transition from the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) to the Florida Standards Assessments (FSA). Duval County poses unique challenges with its characteristic of having urban, suburban, and rural areas within the same district. See attached.

**Department Reports** 

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS** 

Minutes:

Iranetta Wright, Regional Superintendent, DTO Schools

Ms. Wright presented a PowerPoint presentation showing data that explained the progress of the Quality Education for All (QEA) initiative. See attached.

Addison Davis, Chief Officer, Academic Services Mason Davis, Chief Officer, Curriculum and Instruction

Both gentlemen presented a PowerPoint presentation showing data that explained the progress of the Professional Development Plan for the 2015-2016 school year. See attached.

### **Public Comment**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

### Minutes:

Bruce Ganger, CEO, Feeding Northeast Florida

Mr. Ganger explained to the Board the organization's mission and how they incorporate their work with Duval County Public Schools.

Wanda Reese, Principal, Dinsmore Elementary School

She testified how valuable Feeding Northeast Florida was to Saint Clair Evans Academy when she was principal there.

Lesley Seaton, Parent, Abess Park Elementary School

Ms. Seaton explained her frustration when her second grade son came home with a math assignment that neither she, nor her husband, could help him with. In spite of having a wonderful teacher, they have had to hire a tutor to help him with the EngageNY curriculum, as opposed to helping him with math. She doesn't feel the strategy to use the EngageNY curriculum is working.

James Watts, Teacher, Greenfield Elementary School

While Mr. Watts can understand many parents' frustration with the EngageNY math curriculum, he sees students comprehending it and getting excited about it. Most parents were not taught math using the method used in EngageNY but he feels he is having success using the curriculum with his students.

John Rutherford, Grandfather

Mr. Rutherford and his wife, both with advanced educations, found they were unable to help their granddaughter with math assignments from the EngageNY curriculum. He found the process arriving at the correct answer is the main problem. Our children are our future and we need to ensure they are learning basic math before moving on to advanced levels.

Rob Curran, Instructional Math Coach, Kings Trail Elementary School

Mr. Curran feels the Duval math curriculum is a great improvement over what they had before and will meet the rigorous nature of the new standards.

Kelly Watts, Teacher, Greenland Pines Elementary School

Ms. Watts testified that the new Duval math curriculum is a challenge for her first grade classroom but in a good way. She is seeing her students get excited about the topic and relate what they are learning to the standard being taught.

Officer Sharmonique McDaniel, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, Youth Director's Council - Teen Leadership

Officer McDaniel explained how she is Public Education Strong through the Youth Director's Council and how she works with the teens to help them develop leadership skills. She looks forward to partnering with the school system and thanks the Board for showing them what great leadership looks like in the city.

Jennifer Brown, Teacher, Mandarin Oaks Elementary School

Ms. Brown spoke in favor of the new math curriculum being used in Duval County. She feels her students are comprehending the concepts and enables them to build upon what they already know. She explained that the curriculum covers much more than just the problem sets that are being sent home which is all most parents are seeing.

Charles Margiotta, Past Chair, Board of the Cathedral Arts Project

Mr. Margiotta thanked Dr. Vitti and the Board for their continued support of the visual and performing arts education for our children. He is recently retired from Ranier and can attest to the importance of hiring people who can problem solve, work together and think creatively. Arts education helps to cultivate those skills and lower drop out rates.

Christina Oxendine, Math Coach, Windy Hill Elementary School

Being an Instructional Math Coach, Ms. Oxendine is able to see how the new math curriculum unfolds at all grade levels within her school. The students can build critical thinking skills and develop academic vocabulary.

# **Comments From Parent Organizations**

### COMMENTS FROM PARENT ORGANIZATIONS

Minutes:

Sabrina Zinamon, Chairman, District Advisory Council

The District Advisory Council meeting was held Monday, September 28, 2015.

The Honorable Dr. Connie Hall represented the board awesomely. She quizzed the Council about the duties and responsibilities of the School Advisory Council, Area Advisory Council and District Advisory Council. She wanted to make sure we knew our roles and if we were FOCUSED. She shared some information for us to take back to our areas for them to better understand as well.

Ms. Tia Leathers, Director of Parent Academy, was the presenter for the night. In the Fall Course Catalog 2015, information about the math and other curricula is provided to parents. All courses are free.

Discover Duval Schools-Tour Dates are on the website.

The District Advisory Council meeting will be Monday, October 26, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. here at the School Board on the 6th floor. The public is welcome. Mr. Paul Soares, Assistant Superintendent of Operations, will be presenting.

Comments from District Student Government Association

COMMENTS FROM DISTRICT STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Comments From Employee Organizations

**COMMENTS FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS** 

Approval of Minutes

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the minutes for the meetings listed in the agenda item:

- March 3, 2015 Board Member Meeting
- March 5, 2015 Board
   Development Meeting (Meeting Title Correction Only)
- June 8, 2015 Regular Board Meeting
- June 16, 2015 Special Board Meeting

Vote Results

Motion: Rebecca Couch Second: Connie Hall

Rebecca Couch - Aye
Jason Fischer - Aye

Cheryl Grymes - Not Present

Connie Hall - Aye
Ashley Juarez - Aye
Scott Shine - Aye
Paula Wright - Aye

## Approval of Consent Agenda

# **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

## Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the Consent Agenda.

- PASS

- PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Scott Shine Second: Connie Hall

Rebecca Couch - Aye
Jason Fischer - Aye

Cheryl Grymes - Not Present

Connie Hall - Aye
Ashley Juarez - Aye
Scott Shine - Aye
Paula Wright - Aye

# Consent Agenda

# **Academic Services**

### 2. MICROSOFT PREMIER SUPPORT RENEWAL

Attachment: Microsoft Premier Support Services #REN-001414544 - 2014-

15.pdf

Attachment: Microsoft Premier Support Services Description Schedule -

Clean BKM - 2015-16.pdf

# 3. RENEWAL OF THE CSX DATA CENTER SERVICES AGREEMENT

Attachment: CSX Tech DCPS Data Center Agreement 092815-BKM.pdf

## 4. CHECK POINT SECURITY SOFTWARE UPGRADE AND RENEWAL

Attachment: Checkpoint - Mission Critical 2012-15.pdf

Attachment: Mission Critical Renewal and Amendment - 2015-16.pdf

### 5. DISTRICT DIGITAL CLASSROOM PLAN

Attachment: DCPS DigitalClassroomPlanDCP 2015 2016 9 23 2015.pdf

### Minutes:

Board Member Constance Hall asked Dr. Vitti to explain the digital classroom plan. Dr. Vitti said this plan was more compliance-based which is required by the State in order for the District to receive the Blended Learning funds. The IT

department has been able to become more efficient in helping the schools with their hardware; turn around time is faster than it used to be, giving students more access to technology. Dr. Hall noted the significant amount of money put into technology that becomes obsolete almost as quickly as it is purchased and the importance of maintaining it. Dr. Vitti pointed out that today's students view laptops/devices much like the older generations view textbooks. They also discussed how technology plays a role in Professional Development.

## 6. FLORIDA SAFE SCHOOLS ASSESSMENT TOOL (FSSAT) 2015

# 7. <u>DUVAL INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP & FACULTY DEVELOPMENT GRANT</u>

Attachment: 2015 Instr Leadership Fac Dev Grant.pdf

# 8. <u>MICROSOFT CORPORATION - IMPLEMENTING IDENTITY MANAGER PRIVILEGED</u> ACCOUNT INFRASTRUCTURE

Attachment: WO (DCPS - FIM Upgrade) (FP) USSLGE-E15071270 (2)-2015-

16-Clean.pdf

Attachment: SOW (DCPS - MS Identity Manager FIM Upgrade) (FP)

USSLGE-E15071270 (3).pdf

### 9. DATA WAREHOUSE PHASE III

Attachment: Envolve MSA DCPS4 v6 - Clean.pdf

# 10. <u>DUVAL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN</u>

Attachment: FINAL PD PLAN.pdf

# 11. <u>MICROSOFT CORPORATION - SERVICE CENTER SERVICE IMPROVEMENT</u> PROGRAM AMENDMENT (SCSM)

Attachment: Amend No 1 to WO No USSLGE-E14075868 (DCPS - SCSM)

(2)-Clean.pdf

Attachment: <u>SCSM CR003 DCPS Adjustments POP NO COST.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>WO (DCSD - SCCM) (FP) USSLGE-E14075868 (fully</u>

executed).pdf

### 12. QUALITY EDUCATION FOR ALL PLAN FOR DUVAL TRANSFORMATION OFFICE

Attachment: FINAL QEA PLAN.pdf

Attachment: Copy of QEA Evaluation Tracker (Revised July 2015) final .pdf

Minutes:

Board Member Couch asked for a recap of the teacher retention

from 2014-2015 to 2015-2016. The money teachers are to get for meeting the criteria in the Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) will be determined after the Value Added Model (VAM) data for that school year is released. If the cut scores are applied performance would most likely to see lower performance although Dr. Vitti doesn't understand how the two years can be compared when two different tests were used. If data drops proportionately, you can still determine those teachers that perform above district average and below district average.

Board Member Couch asked Dr. Vitti to explain how the targets for the plan are set. Dr. Vitti explained that with the transitional years that are expected, the Quality Education for All (QEA) Board chose not to set hard targets for the time being. In the meantime, they have identified other similar schools throughout the State to use as a comparison and they are seeing the schools emerge from mid range to the upper one third/one half.

Board Member Couch noted that in the future, when discussing plans, the District not only look at what was done in the past year, but also look at what is projected three years down the road.

Board Member Hall and Dr. Vitti discussed the QEA plan as it relates to uncertainty of the State's accountability and teacher evaluations. Dr. Hall has concerns that different language may need to be incorporated into the plan. Ms. Karen Chastain, Chief of Legal Services, recommended they leave things as is for now, then come back later with changes if they feel they need to after the State comes out with more information on accountability.

Dr. Hall expressed her concern about the Summer Principal's Academy (SPA) requiring such long, continuous time away from their daily lives. She is concerned that the time requirement may prevent someone from participating in the program. Dr. Vitti noted that there is an alternative program the District offers that occurs during the school year that those same teachers could utilize.

Dr. Hall also asked if the non-Teach For America teachers get as much support as the Teach For America (TFA) teachers. Dr. Vitti said much of that depends on the situation. The TFA teachers get support from that organization, but at the same time, many of our school and district wide coaches work with non-TFA teachers.

Board Member Wright asked Dr. Vitti to clarify the accountability expectations for the QEA schools vs. the non-QEA schools. Dr. Vitti said the targets that are set by the District are for all schools district wide. Board Member Wright gave a Board Member Request (BMR) during the meeting asking for the

breakdown of percentage of DTO schools vs. other schools as well as the percentage of TFA teachers vs. non-TFA teachers.

Board Member Couch asked if there is a cap for the number of TFA teachers that are hired into a school. Dr. Vitti indicated there is not.

### 13. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS FOR ATOSS

Human Resource Services - Staffing

## 15. HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES EMPLOYEE TRANSACTION

Attachment: HRS Attach 10-06 15 TRANS.pdf

## 16. APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-FIELD TEACHERS

Human Resource Services - Professional Standards

- 17. EMPLOYEE SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY JASON MOLOHON
- 18. EMPLOYEE SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY LANORITA STROMAN
- 19. EMPLOYEE SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY ERNEST WOODARD

Administration and Business Services - Budget and Financial

## 20. AUTHORIZATION FOR BANKING AND ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS

Attachment: <u>Authorization to Initiate Transactions.pdf</u>

Attachment: Certificate of Incumbency.pdf

Operations - Facilities Project Design, Construction and Maintenance

22. FIRE ALARM SYSTEM REPLACEMENT AT GREENFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NO. 222/DCSB PROJECT NO. M-83970/OFDC-ITB-001-16: CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD

Attachment: M-83970 Contract for FAS Replace at No 222.pdf

### 23. CHANGE ORDER REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2015

Attachment: Oct 2015 Agenda Change Order Report Chart for September.pdf

# 24. <u>PREQUALIFICATION OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS FOR EDUCATIONAL</u> PROJECTS

Attachment: Prequalification Renewals 10-6-15.pdf

25. PERIODIC REPORT OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETIONS AND FINAL INSPECTIONS OF MAJOR MAINTENANCE AND MINOR CAPITAL PROJECTS UNDER \$1,000,000

Attachment: Oct 2015 Agenda Item CSC-CFI-Cont Sav on Proj Chart.pdf

26. <u>TPHD-99890 HIGH DENSITY WIRELESS AT MANDARIN HIGH SCHOOL NO.</u> 260/DCSB PROJECT NO. TPHD-99890-3260: CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD

Attachment: TPHD-99890-3260 HDW Contract for Mandarin HS No 260.pdf

27. QZAB II-GROUP 4-B HIGH DENSITY WIRELESS AT ENGLEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL NO. 90/DCSB PROJECT NO. QZAB 15-E99960-3090: CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD

Attachment: QZAB15-E99960-3090 HDW Contract for Englewood HS No 90.pdf

28. QZAB II-GROUP 4-B HIGH DENSITY WIRELESS AT ED WHITE HIGH SCHOOL NO. 248/DCSB PROJECT NO. QZAB 15-E99960-3248: CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD

Attachment: QZAB15-E99960-3248 HDW Contract for Ed White HS No 248.pdf

29. QZAB II-GROUP 4-C HIGH DENSITY WIRELESS AT RAMONA BOULEVARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NO. 79/DCSB PROJECT NO. QZAB15-E99960-3079: CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD

Attachment: QZAB15-E99960-3079 HDW Contract for Ramona Blvd ES No 79.pdf

30. QZAB II-GROUP 4-C HIGH DENSITY WIRELESS AT HIGHLANDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NO. 99/DCSB PROJECT NO. QZAB15-E99960-3099: CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD

Attachment: QZAB15-E99960-3079 HDW Contract for Highlands ES No 99.pdf

31. QZAB II-GROUP 4-C HIGH DENSITY WIRELESS AT GREGORY DRIVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NO. 243/DCSB PROJECT NO. QZAB15-E99960-3243: CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD

Attachment: QZAB15-E99960-3079 HDW Contract for Gregory Dr ES No 243.pdf

32. REMOVAL AND CLOSURE ASSESSMENT OF UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK:
AGREEMENT WITH FL DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR
PETROLEUM CLEANUP PARTICIPATION PROGRAM AT SEABREEZE ES NO. 225/DCSB
PROJECT NO. M-83700

Attachment: <u>PCPP Agreement-Rem and Close of UST at Seabreeze 225</u> FDEP Agreementv2.pdf

### 33. SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN 2015/2016-2019/2020

Attachment: 2015-16 Five Year Capital Plan-Sept 2015 Board Agenda Item

8-28-15.pdf

# Operations - Purchasing and Logistics

### 34. SURPLUS PROPERTY RETIREMENT REPORT

Attachment: 050CT16(2).pdf
Attachment: ROSUMOCT FY16.pdf
Attachment: 040CT16(2).pdf
Attachment: 070CT16(2).pdf
Attachment: 060CT16(2).pdf

Attachment: OCTFY16 RETIREMENT.pdf

#### Discussion

# **Board Members**

### 1. CIVIL SERVICE BOARD APPOINTMENT

### Minutes:

Board Member Fischer asked for background information of other Civil Service Board Members to see if there are diverse backgrounds. He never received any of that information. He is uncomfortable voting in favor of something knowing he has not received all the information he requested. Board Member Couch asked if he would like to defer the item. Board Member Fischer was comfortable with the Board going forward with the vote; his intention was to vote no on the item.

After a motion was made to defer the item until next month, Ms. Chastain offered to use her staff to secure the information requested by Board Member Fischer from the City. She also explained the process of the School Board appointing a representative to the Civil Service Board. Board Member Shine noted he, too, requested information from the City, but had not gotten an answer one way or other. He prefers to defer the item.

Dr. Vitti indicated that the Board was certainly able to bring other names to the table to represent the Board, so Members can still do that in light of the deferment.

### Motions:

That the School Board of Duval County, Florida, reappoint Ms. B. J. Laster as its representative on the Civil Service Board, for a second full term of July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2018.

Vote Results

Motion: Rebecca Couch Second: Paula Wright

Rebecca Couch Jason Fischer -

Cheryl Grymes - Not Present

Connie Hall Ashley Juarez Scott Shine Paula Wright -

# Motions:

That the Duval County School Board vote to defer the Civil Service Board Appointment item to the November 3, 2015, Regular Board Meeting.

- PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Scott Shine

Second: Rebecca Couch

Rebecca Couch - Aye
Jason Fischer - Aye

Cheryl Grymes - Not Present

Connie Hall - Aye
Ashley Juarez - Aye
Scott Shine - Aye

Paula Wright - Nay

# School Choice and Pupil Assignment

# 14. <u>EXTENSION OF DATES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE BOUNDARIES TO WAIVE</u> SCHOOL BOARD POLICY 5.44

#### Minutes:

Board Member Shine recapped what has happened with the boundary change issue since it was on last month's agenda. He is concerned that inaccurate information was given out to the public which has resulted in a lot of concerned citizens demanding an extension of time before voting on boundary changes. As a result, he plans to vote against the initiative.

Board Member Couch is concerned that if some of these boundary changes are postponed until the 2017-2018 school year, that we would have the time line issue to contend with all over again, so she proposed an amendment that would prevent the problem from resurfacing for that school year. Passing the amendment would honor the discussion that was held at the table during the Committee meeting and honor the request that could come out of the working groups.

There was discussion about making the changes to the timeline for both the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 school years. Some Board Members expressed concern about the process becoming politicized while others expressed concern about the public having enough time to give the Board feedback prior to any changes occurring.

Before taking the vote on the amended item, Vice-Chairman Smith Juarez reminded the Board that failing to pass the amended motion will likely hamper the intended process of gathering adequate input from the community that would enable the Board to make well-informed decisions. An amendment to change School Board policy requires at least five votes in accordance with Board Policy 2.25 (vii) which reads:

A School Board rule may be waived only to provide and implement overall goals and objectives of the School Board and to protect and preserve the health, safety, and welfare of the affected individual(s). Waiver of a School Board rule shall be addressed and a decision rendered regarding its waiver at a regular, special or emergency School Board meeting and shall require an affirmative vote of at least five School Board members. A waiver of a School Board rule shall not render the policy void with respect to the continued

implementation of the rule which is sought to be waived. Any Florida Statute or State Board of Education rule which is waived pursuant to proper procedures shall automatically waive an identical School Board policy.

### Motions:

That the Duval County School Board waive section VII of School Board Policy 5.44, School Attendance Boundaries, to extend the dates so that the public hearing would be held no later than May 2016, and the Board - FAIL action would occur no later than June 2016. This waiver would be effective only for any boundary changes commencing as of the 2016-2017 school year, as amended.

## Vote Results

Motion: Rebecca Couch Second: Connie Hall

Rebecca Couch - Aye Jason Fischer - Nay

- Not Present **Cheryl Grymes** 

Connie Hall - Aye Ashley Juarez - Aye Scott Shine - Nay Paula Wright - Aye

### Motions:

That the Duval County School Board waive section VII of School Board Policy 5.44, School Attendance Boundaries, for the pending 2015-2016 ACE planning process, to extend the dates so that the public hearing would be held no later than May 2016, and the Board action would occur no later than June 2016. This Depending - PASS

on the recommendations resulting from the 2015-2016 ACE planning process, this waiver would be effective only for any boundary changes commencing proposed to commence as of the 2016-2017 school year or proposed to commence as of the 2017-2018 school year, as the case may be.

Vote Results

Motion: Rebecca Couch Second: Paula Wright

Rebecca Couch - Aye
Jason Fischer - Nay

Cheryl Grymes - Not Present

Connie Hall - Aye
Ashley Juarez - Aye
Scott Shine - Nay
Paula Wright - Aye

Operations - Real Estate, Planning and Programming

21. PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE: ADOPT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES FIVE-YEAR WORK PROGRAM 2015/2016 - 2020/2021

Attachment: Work Plan District Report Draft 9-9-15.pdf

## Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the District Facilities Five-Year Work Program as required by Section 1013.35, Florida Statutes. The Duval - PASS County School District is required to take Public Comments prior to approval of this item.

Vote Results

Motion: Rebecca Couch Second: Connie Hall

Rebecca Couch - Aye

Jason Fischer	- Aye
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Cheryl Grymes - Not Present

Connie Hall - Aye
Ashley Juarez - Aye
Scott Shine - Aye
Paula Wright - Aye

### General

## 35. PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE: ADOPTION OF BOARD POLICY 8.25

Attachment: 8-25 - Plug-in Electric Vehicle (PEV) - Abbreviated.pdf

### Motions:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a Public Hearing and adopt Board Policy 8.25, Plug-In Electric

Vehicle (PEV) Charging.

- PASS

### Vote Results

Motion: Connie Hall Second: Paula Wright

Rebecca Couch - Aye
Jason Fischer - Aye

Cheryl Grymes - Not Present

Connie Hall - Aye
Ashley Juarez - Aye
Scott Shine - Aye
Paula Wright - Aye

# 36. PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE: REVISIONS TO BOARD POLICY CHAPTER 2

Attachment: Policy 2 35 October 2015v2 agenda.pdf

Attachment: Policy 2 21 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND STANDARDS

redline.pdf

Attachment: Policy 2.26 September 2015v2redline.pdf

### Motions:

1. That the Duval County School

Board conduct a Public Hearing and adopt the revisions to Board Policy 2.21, Professional Development Inservice for Non-Instructional Personnel.

2. That the Duval County School Board conduct a Public Hearing and adopt the revisions to Board Policy 2.26, Board Meeting Protocol and Format.

- PASS

3. That the Duval County School Board conduct a Public Hearing and adopt new Board Policy 2.35, Board Committees.

## Vote Results

Motion: Rebecca Couch Second: Connie Hall

Rebecca Couch - Aye
Jason Fischer - Aye

Cheryl Grymes - Not Present

Connie Hall - Aye
Ashley Juarez - Aye
Scott Shine - Aye
Paula Wright - Aye

**Board Member Travel** 

**BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL** 

### Minutes:

Board Member Shine reminded the Board he had asked for additional information on travel and hopes to see more next month.

## Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the following Board Member

# Travel.

- October 14-15, 2015, Clearwater, FL - FSBA Legislative Committee Meeting - Couch
- PASS
- November 30-December 4, 2015, Tampa, FL - FSBA Annual Joint Conference - Couch, Grymes and Wright

### Vote Results

Motion: Rebecca Couch Second: Connie Hall

Rebecca Couch - Aye
Jason Fischer - Aye

Cheryl Grymes - Not Present

Connie Hall - Aye
Ashley Juarez - Aye
Scott Shine - Aye
Paula Wright - Aye

# Superintendent's Travel

## SUPERINTENDENT'S TRAVEL

### Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the following travel for the Superintendent.

- October 29-30, 2015, Dallas, TX -National Center for Learning Disabilities (NCLD)
- November 18-20,2015, Ponte Vedra, FL - Florida Council of 100

Vote Results

Motion: Scott Shine

Second: Rebecca Couch

Rebecca Couch - Aye
Jason Fischer - Aye

Cheryl Grymes - Not Present

Connie Hall - Aye
Ashley Juarez - Aye
Scott Shine - Aye
Paula Wright - Aye

### For The Record

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### Minutes:

### **Board Member Shine**

Board Member Shine is concerned about the Department of Education's process for Florida Standards Assessments. He noted that in spite of saying they are pro business, they conduct their business in such a way that increases the number of "F" schools and discourages businesses from relocating here.

### Board Member Fischer

The Department of Education does not have accurate or complete data on our schools' standards. As a result, schools should have an "I" for incomplete. The Department of Education, however, should be given an "F" for failing to use standards that teachers, administrators and parents can trust.

## Board Member Hall

Board Member Hall reminded everyone that October is Bullying Prevention Month which includes cyber bullying. There is lots of great information, including a contest, on the district's website.

## **Board Member Wright**

Board Member Wright commended Holiday Hill Elementary School for the way they modeled confidence as young speakers/leaders. She also commended Board Members Couch, Hall and Smith Juarez for the work they've all done on the Policy Committee. She informed everyone that several of our staff members will be giving presentations at the Council of Great City Schools which is unusual for any one district to give that many presentations at their conference. She also had the privilege of participating in a reading session with our governor's wife, Mrs. Ann Scott, visiting from Tallahassee at Biscayne Elementary School.

### **Board Member Couch**

Board Member Couch was able to observe classroom discussions at Chaffee Trail and Crystal Springs Elementary Schools and was impressed with the level of the discussions. She was also impressed with the presentation skill level of the students from Holiday Hill Elementary School. She attended the ribbon cutting ceremony at Douglas Anderson School of the Arts and enjoyed the student performances. She mentioned there are links available on the district website that should help parents when working with their students using the new curriculum adopted by the district. She has talked to Dr. Vitti about putting more links on the website. She also encouraged everyone to contact their legislator about the cut scores and Florida Standards Assessment. There is information on the district website with contact information along with talking points.

## Vice-Chairman Ashley Smith Juarez

Timeline boundary change meetings will need to be revamped but will appear on the district's website once it is made available. She enjoyed the enthusiasm she saw in the students at Douglas Anderson School of the Arts while at their ribbon cutting ceremony recently. She also thanked Pastor Olson, not only for coming out to give the invocation, but also for the annual recognition they do for our teachers. Our faith-based partners do a lot to help our district. She also thanked Feeding Northeast Florida for their work.

### Adjournment

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Minutes:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

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Superintendent	 Chairman