

Duval County Public Schools

September 15, 2009, Special Board Meeting

Ms. Betty Burney Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Chairman Mr. Stan Jordan Mr. W. C. Gentry Ms. Nancy Broner Ms. Vicki Drake Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Vice Chairman Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent

ATTENDANCE AT THIS SPECIAL MEETING OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD with Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent, Ms. Karen Chastain, Office of General Counsel, Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Chairman, Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Vice Chairman, and Board members: Ms. Nancy Broner, Ms. Vicki Drake, Mr. W. C. Gentry and Mr. Stan Jordan. Ms. Betty Burney participated telephonically.

Call Meeting to Order

CALL MEETING TO ORDER - SPECIAL MEETING

Minutes: The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

Motions:	
That Board Member Betty Burney be allowed to participate in the Board Meeting via telephone.	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Nancy Broner	
Second: Victoria Drake	
Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Abstain

Victoria Drake	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Stan Jordan	- Aye
Brenda Priestly jackson	- Aye

Comments From Audience

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE

Minutes: No comments from the audience.

Reports

Approval of Agenda

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2009, AGENDA

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the September 15, 2009, Agenda as submitted on September 11, 2009, with the following changes: Administration and Business Services - PASS Budget and Financial - Item 1 - Public Hearing -2009-2010 Final Millage Rates and Final Budget - Revised Agenda Item

Vote Results

Motion: Nancy Broner

Second: Victoria Drake

Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Victoria Drake	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye

Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Stan Jordan	- Aye
Brenda Priestly jackson	- Aye

Approval of Minutes

Approval of Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda

Administration and Business Services - Budget and Financial

1. PUBLIC HEARING - 2009-2010 FINAL MILLAGE RATES AND FINAL BUDGET

Attachment: <u>Resolution Adopting 2009 km.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>ESE524(a).pdf</u> Attachment: <u>Certification of Public Hearings km.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>ESE524.pdf</u> Attachment: <u>Categorical Flexible Spending Resolution.pdf</u>

Minutes:

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

2009-2010 Final Millage Rates and Final Budget

The Chairman asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak to the Board regarding this item and the following persons spoke:

Mr. Joseph Braun said, we the taxpayers, can no longer afford your services. The economy is not good. I have listened to taxpayers talk at public hearings about how much they are cutting back on things they once could afford. Some taxpayers can no long afford food, shelter and clothing. Food, shelter and clothing are now gifts to them from others. Someone in a position of not being able to afford food, shelter and clothing cannot pay for government services. Taxes are one item that they would cut from the household budget, if it were possible. There is no choice. The government organization is in existence because of an enabling law. Ask the creator of that enabling law to repeal that enabling law. This is a conflict between tax takers and taxpayers. We, the taxpayers, can no longer afford your services. Thank you very much for your past services, but we, the taxpayers, can no longer afford your services. Thank you very much.

Mr. Edward Bruce Talmadge said it was my understanding that according to this thing, that you can amend or alter proposals on individual's homes? I have a property in Biltmore and every year I see it

go \$200, \$200, \$200 and they assessed my property over there...the property value has dropped from 25% to 40% since the recession and it's my understanding that they don't hold the value that's put on them. My question is...I'm being assessed at \$75,000 on a piece of property over there that probably isn't worth \$30,000 and I'm being taxed on that amount. I was wondering if it was possible to have a reassessment done on my home in Biltmore?

Mr. Talmadge was advised to contact the Property Appraiser and the Value Adjustment Board for assistance.

Speakers:

Mr. Mike Perrone, Chief Financial Officer Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent of Schools Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Chairman Mr. Stan Jordan, Board Member

Motions: Vote on Required Local Effort Millage Levy of - PASS 5.075 Mills for the Operating Fund Vote Results Motion: Nancy Broner Second: Victoria Drake Nancy Broner - Aye **Betty Burney** - Aye Victoria Drake - Aye William Gentry - Aye Thomas Hazouri - Aye Stan Jordan - Aye Brenda Priestly jackson - Aye

Motions: Vote on Required Local Effort Millage Prior to Period Adjustment Levy of 0.009 Mills for the - PASS Operating Fund

- Aye
- Aye

Motions:	
Vote on Basic Discretionary Millage Levy of 0.748 Mills for the Operating Fund	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Nancy Broner	
Second: Victoria Drake	
Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Victoria Drake	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Stan Jordan	- Aye
Brenda Priestly jackson	- Aye

Motions:

Vote on Capital Outlay Millage Levy of 1.500	- PASS
Mills for the Capital Projects Fund	- FA33

Vote Results	
Motion: Nancy Broner	
Second: Victoria Drake	
Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Victoria Drake	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Stan Jordan	- Aye
Brenda Priestly jackson	- Aye

Motions:

Vote on Discretionary Critical Needs (Operating) Millage Levy of 0.250 Mills for the General Fund. This vote requires a super majority.	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Nancy Broner	
Second: Victoria Drake	
Victoria Drake	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Stan Jordan	- Nay
Brenda Priestly jackson	- Aye
Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye

Motions:	
Vote on 2009-2010 Final Budget	- PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Nancy Broner	
Second: Victoria Drake	
Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Victoria Drake	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Stan Jordan	- Aye
Brenda Priestly jackson	- Aye

Motions:	
Vote on Approval of 2009-2010 Categorical Flexibility Funding Resolution	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Nancy Broner	
Second: Victoria Drake	
Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Victoria Drake	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Stan Jordan	- Aye
Brenda Priestly jackson	- Aye

2. ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT INCLUSIVE OF THE AUTOMATED COST REPORT

Minutes: <u>Speaker:</u> Stephen Bright, Executive Director, Business Services

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board accepts for

use and consideration the Superintendent's Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, as presented.	-
Vote Results	
Motion: Nancy Broner	
Second: Victoria Drake	
Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Victoria Drake	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Stan Jordan	-
Brenda Priestly jackson	- Aye

Operations - Purchasing and Logistics

1. BOND COUNSEL SERVICES

Attachment: BOND COUNSEL BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES.pdf

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board recommend approval to enter into negotiations in order of ranking for Bond Counsel Services for the initial period from date of award through September 30, 2011. Negotiations will begin with the highest rated proposer and continue in order of ranking until an agreement is reached. Authorize the Board Chairman and Superintendent to affix their signatures to the - PASS contract upon approval as to the form by the Office of General Counsel. Recommend authority be delegated to Superintendent or his designee to renew the contract for subsequent years provided terms and conditions are favorable to the school district and subject to availability of funds. There are three (3) potential one year renewals.

Vote Results

Motion: Nancy Broner	
Second: Victoria Drake	
Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Victoria Drake	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Stan Jordan	- Aye
Brenda Priestly jackson	- Aye

2. FINANCIAL ADVISOR SERVICES

Attachment: FINANCIAL ADVISOR BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES.pdf

Minutes:

Speakers:

Mr. Stan Jordan, Board Member

Mr. Mike Perrone, Chief Financial Officer

Mr. Ron Fagan, Executive Director, Budget Services

Ms. Karen Chastain, Office of General Counsel

Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board recommend approval to enter into negotiations in order of ranking for Financial Advisor Services for the initial period from date of award through September 30, 2011. Negotiations will begin with the highest rated proposer and continue in order of ranking until an agreement is reached. Authorize the Board Chairman and Superintendent to affix their signatures to the contract upon approval as to the form by Office of General Counsel. Recommend authority be delegated to Superintendent or his designee to renew the contract for subsequent years provided terms and conditions are favorable to the school district and subject to availability of funds. There are three (3) potential one year

- PASS

renewals.	
Vote Results	
Motion: Nancy Broner	
Second: Victoria Drake	
Nancy Broner	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Victoria Drake	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Stan Jordan	- Aye
Brenda Priestly jackson	- Aye

Discussion

For The Record

FOR THE RECORD

Minutes:

Mr. Jordan said, "I will be with you, as far as I know, on October 6th.

Mr. Gentry said he will be bringing an item to the Board on October 6th to rescind the action taken at the August 4, 2009 Board meeting regarding Michael Brown.

Mr. Jordan invited everyone to the Beach Diner tonight to celebrate (election day for Senate seat that was formerly held by Senator Jim King).

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

The meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

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Superintendent

Chairman