



## Duval County Public Schools

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September 18, 2012, Board Workshop

Ms. Betty Burney, Chairman  
Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Vice-Chairman  
Ms. Martha Barrett  
Ms. Ms. Becki Couch  
Mr. W. C. Gentry  
Ms. Mr. Tommy Hazouri  
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 Mr. Gentry, who was out of town. Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent, and Ms. Karen Chastain, Assistant Deputy General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, were also present.

Call Meeting To Order

### [CALL MEETING TO ORDER](#)

Minutes:

The Chairman called the Board Workshop to order at 10:04 a.m.

Items To Be Discussed

### [1. BOARD-SUPERINTENDENT GOVERNANCE](#)

Minutes:

The following topics were discussed during Governance.

#### Superintendent's Items:

- The Superintendent shared the Race to the Top deadlines and shared that we are applying for available funding.
- The Bethune sale has been removed from the agenda in order for Councilwoman Lee to conduct a community meeting. The Superintendent has spoken with Board Member Wright regarding this matter.
- At some point we will need to decide on submitting the MSAP grant. He would like it to be aligned with the middle school rollout.

#### Board Member Items:

- Board Member Wright shared that she would like to see more participation of local partners such as the NAACP, Urban League, etc., as it seems we use the same ones over and over. Chairman Burney also voiced concern about this issue.
- Board Member Wright asked where we were on a conference room for Board Members. The Superintendent said that Jill Johnson and Terri Stahlman are working on this.
- Board Member Couch asked if we were taking into account the number of Charter schools and how it will impact our budget. Board Member Wright agreed and indicated that we need to be vehement in the type of information we give out.
- Board Member Barrett attended the United Way kickoff luncheon on Friday. Their star project this year is Achievers for Life. They are following the middle school students who are now in high school.
- Board Member Hazouri asked about the Urban League, and if we have a purchase proposal yet. The Superintendent indicated that we had not received an agreement to date.
- Board Member Hazouri reminded everyone about the Lee High School dedication on September 27, 2012.
- Chairman Burney voiced concern with the lack of funding we have for improvements to our infrastructure. We need to be mindful and use what funds we do have for those schools that have been neglected.
- Vice-Chairman Lee talked about equity in the schools. The Board needs to have solid information on what is going on with technology and facilities, and then discuss a systemic way to address the deficiencies.

#### Speakers:

Ms. Betty Burney, Board Chairman  
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent  
Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member  
Ms. Becki Couch, Board Member  
Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Board Vice-Chairman  
Ms. Paula D. Wright, Board Member  
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[2. OCTOBER 2, 2012, DRAFT AGENDA REVIEW](#)

Minutes:

Staff reviewed the October 2, 2012, Draft Agenda with the Board. Comments included the following:

- Chairman Burney requested a report on how many students started in a Charter School and returned to a public school. In addition, she would like to know how many leave a Charter school prior to FCAT.
- Chairman Burney asked that we revisit the Five Year Plan before we spend money on a new K-8 near Atlantic Coast High School.
- Policy revisions will be added to the October 2nd agenda.

Speakers:

Ms. Betty Burney, Board Chairman  
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent  
Ms. Sonita Young, Chief Human Resource Services Officer  
Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member  
Dr. Sally Hague, Director, School Choice  
Mr. Doug Ayars, Chief Operating Officer  
Mr. Andy Eckert, Director, Facilities  
Ms. Becki Couch, Board Member  
Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Board Vice-Chairman  
Ms. Paula D. Wright, Board Member  
Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member

### [3. STRATEGIC PLAN END OF YEAR RESULTS](#)

Minutes:

The Superintendent and staff provided the Board with an update on Strategic Plan End of Year results. Mr. Tom O'Dea, Consultant, made a presentation to the Board. A copy of the presentation is attached to the Minutes. Comments included the following:

- Goal 6 - Board Member Wright asked about IT access. She has received calls that teachers are told to use student computers. Dr. Terri Stahlman, Chief Technology Officer, explained that this is sometimes necessary until the District can provide teachers with a laptop at the beginning of the school year. Ms. Wright was concerned with how this impacted student learning if the computers were being used by teachers and not available for their use.
- Goal 5 - Board Member Hazouri asked that the Board be provided with a list of under-utilized schools.
- Goal 5 - Board Member Hazouri requested that the Board be provided with a list of business partners for each school.
- Goal 5 - Board Member Wright asked how Larry Fairman helped with today's presentation. Cheryl Riddick responded that he had provided advice. He meets

with her staff regularly to provide clarity with branding, etc.

- Goal 4 - Board Member Couch is concerned with the culture of safety at the middle school level. More students leave the system during these years than elementary and high school.
- Goal 3 - Board Member Hazouri requested a report on the number of new hires for this school year.
- Goal 2 - Board Member Hazouri requested a list of schools with career academies.
- Goal 2 - Board Member Barrett talked about the graduation rate.
- Goal 1 - Board Member Hazouri requested information on reading proficiency targets for 2013.
- Goal 1 - Chairman Burney asked how many students are in dual enrollment courses.

Speakers:

Ms. Betty Burney, Board Chairman  
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent  
Mr. Tom O'Dea, Consultant  
Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member  
Ms. Becki Couch, Board Member  
Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Board Vice-Chairman  
Ms. Paula D. Wright, Board Member  
Dr. Terri Stahlman, Chief Technology Officer  
Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member  
Ms. Cheryl Riddick, Director, Community & Family Engagement  
Ms. Dana Kriznar, Director, Student Services  
Ms. Sonita Young, Chief Human Resource Services Officer  
Ms. Kathy LeRoy, Chief Academic Officer

4. PRIORITY SCHOOLS UPDATE

Minutes:

Ms. Jackie Byrd, Chief of Schools, provided the Board with an update on our Priority Schools. The following points were made:

- Board Member Wright asked for clarification on the role of Educational Directions.
- Board Member Couch asked about the C schools. Ms. Byrd shared that there were intervention programs for reading and math, and staff was providing support where needed.
- Chairman Burney shared that she still would like to see us go back to the Regional concept.

Speakers:

Ms. Betty Burney, Board Chairman  
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent

Ms. Jackie Byrd, Chief of Schools  
Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member  
Ms. Becki Couch, Board Member  
Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Board Vice-Chairman  
Ms. Paula D. Wright, Board Member  
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5. FCAT RESOLUTION DISCUSSION

Minutes:

This item was not discussed.

Adjournment

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Minutes:

The Chairman adjourned the Board Workshop at 4:17 p.m.

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We Agree on this

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Superintendent

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Chairman