



Duval County Public Schools

September 27, 2013, Board Workshop

Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Chairman
Ms. Becki Couch, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Jacon Fischer
Ms. Cheryl Grymes
Dr. Constance S. Hall
Ms. Ashley Smith Juarez
Mr. Ms. Paula D. Wright
Dr. Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent

ATTENDANCE AT THIS WORKSHOP 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

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Minutes:

The Chairman called the Board Workshop to order at 2:14 p.m.

Items To Be Discussed

[1. GOVERNANCE](#)

Minutes:

The following items were discussed.

- A Special Meeting to conduct a student expulsion hearing was set for October 22,

2013, at 8:30 a.m.

- The Audit Committee Meeting which was not held due to time constraints on September 24, 2013, was rescheduled to 1:30 p.m. on October 22, 2013.
- The Legislative Agenda was scheduled as part of the October 22, 2013, Board Workshop.
- A meeting with the Board and Duval Legislative Delegation will be scheduled prior to the holiday break.
- Naming of Schools
 - Chairman Lee shared the current policy with the Board.
 - The Chairman asked the Superintendent if he wanted to initiate the process of renaming Forrest High School. The Superintendent indicated that he did not.
 - The Chairman asked the Board if anyone wanted to initiate the process. The school is in Board Member Hall's district. She indicated that she was strongly considering initiating the process.
 - The Chairman shared that the purpose of today's meeting was to decide what path to follow and then stand united.
 - Board Member requested a copy of the previous version of the policy on naming/renaming school facilities.
 - Board Member Hall feels that we should take the lead in this matter.
 - After discussion, it was agreed that Dr. Hall would go to the Forrest High School community for input. She will meet with the schools' SAC and report back to the Board after 30 days.
 - The Board also agreed on the following statement to be used when receiving media inquiries:
 - "The Board and Superintendent reached consensus that the Board Member in District 5 will engage the Forrest High School community, and will report to the Board after 30 days."
 - The Chairman asked that none of the Board Members or Superintendent initiate a conversation during this time in order to give Dr. Hall an opportunity to address with the Forrest High School community. There is no problem in leading people through the current policy and providing them with the above statement.

Speakers:

Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Board Chairman
Dr. Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent
Mr. Cheryl Grymes, Board Member
Mr. Jason Fischer, Board Member
Ms. Becki Couch, Board Vice-Chairman
Dr. Constance S. Hall, Board Member
Ms. Ashley Smith Juarez, Board Member
Ms. Paula D. Wright, Board Member

Adjournment

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Minutes:

The Chairman adjourned the Board Workshop at 4:02 p.m.

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We Agree on this

Superintendent

Chairman