



## Duval County Public Schools

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August 10, 2010, Board Workshop

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

ATTENDANCE AT THIS WORKSHOP OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD: All Board Members were present. Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent, and Ms. Karen Chastain, Assistant General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, were also present.

Call Meeting To Order

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Minutes:

The Chairman called the Board Workshop to order at 10:06 a.m.

Items To Be Discussed

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

Minutes:

The following topics were discussed:

- The Superintendent distributed talking points for the budget shortfall for use by Board Members.
- FCAT controversy discussed - FADSS may hire an attorney to assist with this issue.
- Reading - Board Member Gentry asked that we address this topic in depth at a future workshop. Chairman Priestly Jackson asked that we look at a more appropriate assessment for our students and requested that the Superintendent look at nationally recognized programs and provide the Board with information and costs.
- The Superintendent provided the Board with information on the timeline for the Financial Urgency decision and the upcoming negotiations.

## 2. DISTRICT ACQUISITION PLANNING

Minutes:

Staff reviewed the District Acquisition Planning document with the Board. Board Members requested the following:

- Provide report to the Board of all acquisitions
- Look at removing landscaping and nursing services from the list
- Provide Board with current rules, regulations, levels of engagement on targets and goals for MBE
- Concern about continuing services contracts and participation by local vendors - staff will work with those vendors

Speakers:

Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Chairman  
 Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent  
 Mr. Doug Ayars, Chief of Operations  
 Mr. Paul Soares, Chief of Operations Support  
 Ms. Nancy Broner, Board Vice-Chairman  
 Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member  
 Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member  
 Ms. Vicki Drake, Board Member  
 Ms. Martha Barrett, Board Member  
 Mr. Andy Eckert, Director, Facilities Planning

## 3. POLICY REVIEW - CRSS SUSTAINABILITY

Minutes:

Board Members reviewed the following policies which were previously discussed during the CRSS Sustainability visit earlier in the month.

- Board Self-Evaluation Policy - we already do this during yearly retreat - no need for a written policy.
- Board Roles and Responsibilities - Board members to review and provide input
- Superintendent Evaluation Policy - Board to review suggested changes and provide input

Speakers:

Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Chairman

Ms. Nancy Broner, Board Vice-Chairman

[4. DATA NOTEBOOKS](#)

Adjournment

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Minutes:

The Chairman adjourned the Board Workshop at 4:07 p.m.

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We Agree on this

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Superintendent

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Chairman