



Duval County Public Schools

June 11, 2012, Regular Board Meeting

Ms. Betty Burney, Chairman
Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Vice Chairman
Ms. Martha Barrett
Ms. Becki Couch
Mr. W. C. Gentry
Mr. Tommy Hazouri
Ms. Paula D. Wright
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent

ATTENDANCE AT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD with Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Betty S. Burney, Board Chair, Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Board Vice Chairman and Board members: Ms. Martha Barrett, Ms. Becki Couch, Mr. W. C. Gentry, Mr. Tommy Hazouri and Ms. Paula D. Wright, present.

Call Meeting to Order

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Minutes:

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Invocation

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Minutes: The Invocation was given by Pastor Ted Corley.

Pledge of Allegiance

[PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE](#)

Presentations

Board Members

[1. SCHOOL RECOGNITION - DISTRICT 6 - BALDWIN MIDDLE-HIGH SCHOOL](#)

Minutes:

Ms. Rhonda Motley, Principal, introduced her Assistant Principals and other staff and students who were in the audience - "THIS IS BALDWIN" presentation was given. *(See attachment)*.

Ms. Couch thanked Ms. Motley and her faculty for the presentation and stated it was an honor to teach at Baldwin Middle/Senior High School for 10 years. I see former students who are now employees. Yes, Baldwin is the best kept secret on the westside.

Board Chair Betty Burney said Ms. Couch and I attended your graduation and it was great! Thank you.

[2. HEALTHY ME! GARDEN PROJECT - R. V. DANIELS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL](#)

Minutes: Ms. LaShawn Blackshear, principal, and students gave a Power Point presentation on their "Healthy Me Garden Project!" *(see attachment)*. The students presented the Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent and Board members gifts. Ms. Burney thanked Ms. Blackshear and all of their parents for a job well done!

Communications

[1. GREEN CHAMPION OF THE YEAR](#)

Minutes:

--For our first presentation of the evening I would like to recognize our four

finalists for the Green Champion Award – Thomas Jefferson Elementary, Timucuan Elementary, Sandalwood High and Arlington Heights Elementary.

--These four schools have developed outstanding programs that encourage environmentally friendly activities, teach students and teachers how to be more “green” and ways to save money.

--I would like to ask Wayne Atwood, Supervisor of Service Support Contracts and Susan Carew, Director of Facility Engineering and Energy to please come forward to tell us more about this award and the finalists.

--We are proud of all these schools and their Green Champions for their commitment to making our environment a cleaner and healthier place for our students.

2. CHARTWELLS SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Minutes:

--Our second presentation recognizes 18 high school seniors who received scholarships from Chartwells Thompson School Dining Services.

--Duval County Public Schools has contracted our food service with Chartwells for the last few years, and we are very thankful for all of the services they provide on a daily basis.

--In addition to serving students in our schools, they also want to provide opportunities to students to continue their education beyond high school.

--At this time I would like to ask Joel Mee, Regional Director, to please come to the front to tell us more about the scholarships Chartwells is providing.

--Congratulations to these students for being chosen to receive these scholarships. We wish all of you the best of luck in the future and encourage you to continue your hard work and dedication to your education.

3. WELLNESS AWARENESS PROGRAM OF THE YEAR

Minutes:

-- The District Wellness Committee has been in place for several years with a mission to improve the overall health of Duval County students by decreasing the number identified as overweight or at risk of becoming overweight by promoting healthy eating choices, nutrition education and physical activity.

--The wellness sub-committee was created to develop a Wellness Awareness Program, which launched at the beginning of this school year. Schools were asked to hold at least three meetings and three events to promote wellness and to submit an application in April that summarized their activities.

--We are very pleased to recognize the following individuals for their support and sponsorship of the wellness program:

- Michael D. Aubin (Aw-been), President of Wolfson Children's Hospital
- William Cover from Nemours Children's Clinic
- Dr. Thomas Connolly, President of Northeast Florida Pediatric Society
- Jennifer Whittaker Sills, Director of Dairy Health and Wellness for the Florida Dairy Council

--26 applications were received and evaluated by the wellness sub-committee based on their promotion of the district wellness policy, school changes to enhance wellness, creativity, inclusion of students in the program, sustainability and overall quality.

--The following noteworthy schools received \$500 and a certificate:

- o Garden City Elementary
- o John E. Ford K-8
- o Sadie T. Tillis Elementary

--The following honorable mention schools received \$1,000 and a certificate:

- o Alimacani Elementary
- o Carter G. Woodson Elementary
- o Robert E. Lee High School

--Would the principals from the following top three schools please come forward as you are recognized?

--The third-place award, receiving \$2,000, a certificate and a Maurice Jones-Drew signed football, goes to James Weldon Johnson College Preparatory School.

--The second-place award, receiving \$3,000, a certificate and a football, goes to Atlantic Beach Elementary School.

--That leaves the first-place award, receiving \$4,500, a certificate and a football, to Jacksonville Beach Elementary School.

--Thanks to all our schools and Wellness Ambassadors for participating in this district-wide initiative. Congratulations to the top three schools on this achievement! We hope you continue to uphold great wellness awareness programs at your schools in the years ahead.

4. PERFECT ATTENDANCE RECOGNITION

Minutes:

--Every year, there are a few elite students who accomplish the impressive feat of graduating from high school with perfect attendance from beginning to end.

--Tonight, we have three students with us who were able to attend school daily from grades kindergarten through 12th-grade, regardless of obstacles.

--Would the following students and their principals please come forward to be recognized for this great accomplishment?

- April Ballard with Principal Rhonda Motley from Baldwin Middle/Senior High School;
- Ethan Lobello with Principal Nongongoma Majova-Seane from Stanton College Preparatory School; and
- Stephanie Danielle Chitty with Principal Royce Turner from Paxon School for Advanced Studies

--The commitment you have shown to your education is one that is to be commended. You serve as a shining example for your peers and those students to come behind you.

--Will the friends and families who are here to celebrate with April, Ethan and Stephanie please stand up to be recognized?

-- Thank you all for your unfaltering support of these students. We wish you the best in the coming years and commend you on such an achievement. Congratulations on this major accomplishment and best wishes as you move on to the next chapter of your life.

5. RECOGNITION OF GEAR UP SCHOLARS

Minutes:

--The GEAR UP program at Raines High School, coordinated by Donna Cobb, has been serving the graduating classes at Raines High since 2006. The goal of the federally funded GEAR UP program is to have as many students as possible enter post-secondary education immediately after high school graduation.

--The program has dedicated its resources to providing scholarships to Raines' graduating seniors. Students must apply for the scholarships and are

evaluated on a list of criteria including an essay about how GEAR UP has prepared them for college.

--Students must submit three letters of recommendation, maintain a GPA of 2.5 or better, achieve a minimum SAT score of 940 or a minimum ACT composite score of 17, and participate in extracurricular activities and community service.

--After interviewing each of the students, a panel of judges selected 10 Raines' seniors to receive a total of \$130,415 in GEAR UP college scholarships.

--Would the following 10 GEAR UP scholars, along with Raines' principal and Cluster Chief of secondary turnaround schools, Tony Bellamy, join us up front:

- Ayanna Thomas received more than \$9,000 for University of Florida
- Brittney Brooks received more than \$9,000 for University of Florida
- Daniel Stiles received more than \$25,000 for University of West Florida
- Darius Masline received more than \$9,000 for University of Florida
- Devron Lester received more than \$25,000 for Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University
- Ian Mobley received more than \$9,000 for Edward Waters College
- Karissi Thompson received more than \$13,000 for University of Florida
- Laqunia Harris received more than \$9,000 for University of Florida
- Phillip Smiley received more than \$9,000 for University of Florida
- Terrell Smith received more than \$9,000 for University of Florida

[6. AUTHORIZATION OF JEFFERSON DAVIS MIDDLE AS LOWER CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL](#)

Minutes:

--For our final presentation, I would like to recognize Jefferson Davis and Northwestern middle schools for receiving official authorization to begin the Cambridge School program in the 2012-13 school year.

--Would Principal Shilene Singleton of Jefferson Davis and Principal Shawn Shackelford of Northwestern Middle please join us up front?

--Jefferson Davis and Northwestern recently received letters confirming that their application for candidacy has been approved for the subjects of English, mathematics and science. The University of Cambridge International Examinations is the world's largest provider of international education programmes and qualifications for 5 - 19 year olds.

--Jefferson Davis and Northwestern are the first middle schools in Duval County to receive this distinction. As Lower Cambridge Schools, they will gain access to teacher guides, online trainings, and a resource bank of past

exam papers and examiner reports.

--Students will also receive access to useful resources that will help them study and prepare for the exams. Lower School students are provided with a full curriculum in addition to their reading, writing and language skills classes.

--The curriculum includes literature, history and geography, mathematics, science, computer science, art, music and physical education. In addition, speech and language classes are integrated into the curriculum as well as social skills, esteem building and self-advocacy classes.

--We are very proud of Jefferson Davis and Northwestern middle schools and look forward to your students' success in the Lower Cambridge program!

Comments From Audience

[COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE](#)

Minutes:

Ms. Michelle Barth and Mrs. Lyn Corley gave a presentation to Duval County Public Schools and the Board. As part of Jacksonville's 450th anniversary celebration which marks the 450th anniversary of the landing of French Captain Jean Ribault at the mouth of the St. Johns River, the School Board very generously agreed to loan the original Lee Adams' mural, "Ribault's Landing", and allowed us to move it from LaVilla School of the Arts where it has been for the last 11-12 years, to the 4th floor of the Main Library in downtown Jacksonville. We wanted to thank you so much for this tremendous gift to the citizens of Jacksonville and letting us have this on loan so it is widely accessible to the public. I want to share that in the second day of it being on display in the library...they host weddings and things over there....they had two brides that asked if they could have their official wedding photographs in front of the mural. What we have is a replica of the mural that we would like to present to be housed in this building as a reminder of the generosity and the importance of this piece of history. So, thank you very much. We also presented this exact same replica to Ribault High School, Ribault Middle School, Fort Caroline Elementary, Fort Caroline Middle, Lee High School and LaVilla School of the Arts.

Mrs. Corley thanked the Superintendent, to Ms. LeRoy, Ms. Martin and Phil Little for helping get curriculum into our 8th and 11th grade classes that teaches this local history and amazing heritage of our city. Thank you so much for embracing our heritage with us during that celebration.

Pastor Ted Corley said I want to personally thank Superintendent Pratt-Dannals and to the Board for allowing this monumental event in our city. The history of Jacksonville is one of the greatest in all of America but it has been hidden from the public. The

moving of the Lee Adams' mural to the public library allows us the opportunity to have the people of Jacksonville come and be amazed by this. I want to thank you and personally express my appreciation. Unfortunately, you were having a School Board meeting the night we installed it so you were not able to be a part of that but it was an amazing event and one of the key parts of the 450th celebration of Jean Ribault. As I've spoken with you before, Jean Ribault was one of the finest navigators in Europe during the 16th century. He was an adventurer; great warrior and an explorer. So, the two schools that bear his namesake are important parts of Duval County Public Schools and we hope that students of these schools will learn to embrace the kind of man that Jean Ribault was and live up to the expectation that he brought to America and he brings to those schools. So, we're excited about their future but he was an unusual man in the 16th century and we're glad to have public schools that honor his name and his heritage and more importantly, we want the city of Jacksonville and Duval County Public Schools to embrace this great heritage and this great history. We have much more to come in the 450th and we look forward to sharing that with you in the very near future. Thank you for all of your help and your involvement in helping us accomplish such a great moment in the history of our city. Thank you.

Ms. Linda Kittles said I've been here before and I do want to say to you, Superintendent Pratt-Dannals, thank you for stepping up at a time when Duval County needed you and becoming our Superintendent. I'm here to talk about Jean Ribault High School. It is in my neighborhood and we're having a problem with the noise level. I've been here before about that and the senior party, specifically, that they have every year at the end of school. I have spoken with the principal at Ribault High School and he has assured me that he is going to suggest to his committee that makes the decisions for the party. It is a disturbance to the neighborhood as it starts at 10:00 am and goes until school ends and it just blasts the neighborhood with loud music. It has to stop. Our neighborhood is very quiet and we have come along way with the noise and we don't want this element, again. I don't want to be a part of the party. JSO has been involved in this over the years and I have spoken with Dr. James Young, the principal.

Ms. Pam Mularkey, Mr. Mark Dickerson, Ms. Katrina Rogers, Ms. Nickey DeMoya and Mr. Andrew Carter spoke about the SOS Project and the latest Youth Risk Behavior Survey 2011 (YRBS) from the Center for Disease Control and reported some alarming statistics from teen in Duval County. (*See attachment*).

Ms. Vickie Renegar said I may have gotten the wrong information. I wanted to present something to the Board and I didn't realize it was a night of celebration. I had an incident where a teacher disclosed personal information to a friend of hers that happened to be a coach of my granddaughter. I'd like this to be looked into and it's in the letter if someone can get with me.

Mr. John Turner said tonight I'm going to talk about auditing the School District's 1.6 billion dollar budget for waste, fraud and abuse. Sadly, it seems I'm the only person left in Jacksonville who believes the school board should conduct a massive independent audit before the new superintendent is selected. But it was not always that way. There was a time when previous school board members not only agreed with me but demanded such an audit. I have here an old Times Union from March of 2005 titled: Majority of School Board wants school system audit.

Please allow me to read some excerpts from that article.

"A majority of Duval County School Board members are pushing for a massive audit of the school system to assist in their search for a superintendent....The measure is supported by board Vice Chairwoman Brenda Priestly Jackson and members Tommy Hazouri, Betty Burney and Kris Barnes..." The article goes on to explain the idea came from, "a training secession at the Broad Institute for School Boards." The school board learned that, "A through audit should be done any time a school system changes leaders." The article goes on to remind us that this call for a massive audit was nothing new. "Fryer [a previous superintendent] said he asked for an audit when he was hired in 1998." "Broner said that a full financial audit of the school system could take six months and cost \$800,000." Although the cost seemed too expensive back then the supporters of the massive audit said they would not back down or change their mind. "Burney said the members who support an audit are willing to find the cheapest way but they will not back down from their request."... That article was written by Tia Mitchell.

Sadly, for the taxpayers, the massive audit was never done. In fact, no one on the school board can even say when the last full scale independent (3rd party) audit was done but it has been at least 15 years. All the more the audit needs to be done today when you consider you are not just replacing the superintendent but several senior staff members, including the Chief Financial Officer. So, if replacing the superintendent was a good idea back then, then it is all the more justified today. Keep in mind; we still have some of the same school board members sitting here tonight that were adamant about a massive audit back in 2005. Perhaps they will speak out tonight and tell us why they broke their promise and why they can't keep their promise now?

If they try to use the same excuse that a massive audit would cost too much, then how about doing a couple of smaller audits? For example, every year, the school board gives out millions of dollars to pet projects/non-profit groups that they sit on as board members. These so-called non-profit vendors have very little transparency or accountability as to how they spend our tax dollars and the results they really get. How about auditing some of those organizations?

Let me be specific, tonight you are going to give the Schultz Center \$2.4 million for teacher training. Over the last decade they have received tens of millions of taxpayer dollars but as far as I know, no audit or evaluation has been done to see if they are worth the money. Most of the teachers I have talked to say it is a waste of taxpayer's money. However, they are smart enough only to say it off the record for fear of retaliation. The running joke is that the Schultz Center is a get-away place for teachers to unwind and have milk and cookies. Yet, tonight you will hand out millions more without demanding data driven reports from the Schultz Center justify the expense. Yet, in the contract it provides funds for conducting 6-10 performance evaluation reports at the superintendent's request. Just how many such reports have been done last year Madam Chair? Also, keep in mind the center was originally set up to be funded by the business community and not the school board. I wonder why the Times Union of 2012 won't look into this.

I have long maintained that tens of millions of dollars are lost every year to waste,

fraud and abuse in our school district and the Schultz Center is just one example. But even if I'm wrong, which I'm not is't this the perfect time to prove to the taxpayers that no such abuse is taking place? Isn't this the perfect time to make sure the next superintendent gets a true assessment of our financial situation? Isn't about time that board members keep their promises? If so, then let's start with the an audit of the Schultz Center and go from there. Thank you for listening.

Ms. Lisa Page spoke about Priority One. Priority One are the priority seats that are set aside for students who reside in the former attendance zone of a dedicated magnet. The Board's policy on magnets is to promote diversity - it's racial, geographic and socio-economic. We don't have a huge number of dedicated magnets. I'd like to address two of them: Julia Landon MS and James Weldon Johnson MS. As always, the Superintendent's office is amazing to work with and has provided us with much data. I think it's important to look at each grade level and I'd like to talk about the incoming 6th grade class at Julia Landon MS this year. Of the gifted population, 31% is Priority One; of the academically talented, 49% is Priority One; and the total of that 6th grade class is over 43%. That is a dramatic increase from last year when those numbers were: gifted, 23.4%; academically talented, 42.5% and 36% for the total. The black population at Julia Landon MS has maintained at about 16%. I have looked at the James Weldon Johnson MS data and when it was located in its old facility, we were about 3%. Priority One last year, the entire school was at 5%; this year the entire school is at 10%. Looking at just the 6th grade, the academically talented is 16.6% and the total is 12.7%. I should add that Landon last year as a whole, they were at 39% and this year, 37%. I think it's important to look at each grade level because it impacts those children. I feel it's difficult to say that we are meeting the Board policy 5.46% when we have a school that has almost 50% of the 6th grade class academically talented from one neighborhood from similar backgrounds, socio-economic and racial background. I think this is an issue that we need to address. I realize there's alot of change ongoing with the Board and Superintendent said that you would look at the whole magnet process. This is not going away and I urge you to look at this policy, again. I'd like to seem some form of change to benefit everyone in Duval County as dedicated magnets are for everyone and not just one specific neighborhood. Thank you for your time.

Ysryl said one of the things that I'm still wrestling with is I'm constantly hearing in the news about teachers and their performance and that's how we want to structure their pay. I support performance pay because about every job that I've had was a commission job. I do like being paid a commission but the problem I have what is being imposed upon the teachers and we're putting too much of a burden on our teachers and we need to give them the proper tools to work with in order to educate our children. We have some students who attend Jackson for two hours and then they leave the program. It's difficult for a teacher to work with a child who has so many different issues that he/she is dealing with and the only way we can remedy this problem, is to bring the proper counseling to help the teachers to help the children. If not, we're setting up these students for failure and jail. We must made adjustments to ensure all teachers have the proper tools before making performance pay happen. There's too much time discipling students than teaching. Please consider a performance pay that will work to benefit our teachers.

Reverend Torin Dailey said I am the pastor of First Baptist Church of Oakland, part of

the district 4 community and I am here speaking, also, as Vice Chairman of the Jacksonville Public Education Fund (JPEF), Board of Directors. Tonight, I want to take a moment to thank you for the time and attention that you have personally devoted to ensuring that students at the Schools for the Future Academy are successful. As you know, students at SFF have made incredible learning gains over the past year although facing significant barriers to success, the youth at SFF have made more than a year's worth of growth in reading and improvements in science, math and language arts and double or triple times as the district's averages. For many students at SFF, these gains have meant the difference between dropping out of school for good and turning the page on academic failure. Furthermore, data shows that educating these students at SFF actually costs the district much less than at Grand Park or Mattie V. Rutherford Alternative Schools. Without SFF, we know that the risks facing teenagers who are off track are, indeed, sobering. Students who complete less than six credits by the end of their first year are nearly four times as likely not to graduate on time or at all. SFF is an important part of Duval County Public Schools admirable work to create a menu of different options targeted to meet the diverse needs of students at risk of dropping out. Your work in this area over the last five years has been, indeed, admirable and I urge you when you vote on it in the upcoming weeks, I urge you to continue SFF as a literal lifeline for the most vulnerable youth in Jacksonville. SFF Academy is an important lesson. Although innovation and collaboration are not always easy, they are required in order to ensure that our educational system meets the needs of all students. The ERS (Education Resource Strategies) recommendation was that we concentrate on low performing students and these are the lowest of low performing students. We certainly need your help in continuing this great effort. God bless you. Thank you.

Speakers:

Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member

Ms. Paula D. Wright, Board Member

Ms. Brynn Titone and I work with a company called Commuter Advertising in partnership with the Jacksonville Transit Authority. The reason why I chose to speak tonight is to convey my sincere desire to provide access to services and contribute to the Duval County Public Schools system through the company I represent. Although I don't have any children yet, I personally share your commitment to enrich our community through providing the best possible programs in education to our children and young people. I'm also extremely lucky to have found myself in a position where the company I work for shares the same values. That being said, I definitely don't wish to take this valuable time to pitch or sell but rather to let you, the Board and representatives of the schools, let you know should you have a project to campaign a program or an idea similar to those amazing programs that were recognized earlier this evening, for which you are looking to promote awareness or involvement through automated geo-targeted or timed announcements, please do not hesitate to contact me because I am here to support you. For your convenience, I will be here after the meeting for anyone who wishes to exchange contact information or set meeting times. Thank you very much for allowing me to speak this evening.

Ms. Pervalia Gaines-McIntosh said over the past few months, I've had the opportunity to canvass nearly every corner of this city. In talking with parents, community

members and students, I've learned one of the chief concerns for all of our stakeholders, is the lack of regard for their input. As an advocate for the public and public education, I urge our school system officials to invite the public to become a part of the decision-making process especially to determine the assignment of school principals and administrators directly supervising and supporting our schools. The public is well in tune with the needs of the schools and deserve an opportunity to provide their input and voice through the process. Therefore, before you make the principal changes in a few weeks, I encourage you to listen and talk with the community to hear what they have to say. Thank you and good night.

Mr. Jeff Smith said I'd like to thank all of you for your support. I'm with Cathedral Arts Project and I'm here as a representative for both ACE (Arts for a Complete Education) and Cathedral Arts Project. We are now serving over 26 schools and community centers. We are partnering with 21 elementary schools, 2 middle schools and 3 community centers to provide high quality, twice weekly, intensive after school arts education throughout the year. We had over 2,000 family members and wonderful parents who attended our Performing Arts Showcase at the Ritz Theatre Museum. We had five performances at the end of April and we have an exhibit that just opened at MOCCA - our best of the best student exhibit opened on Sunday and that is featuring the art work of students from 8 different elementary schools and 1 middle school from Duval County. We also have a JaxPort exhibit opening on June 28. We've partnered with JaxPort for maritime themed exhibit which extends from Arlington Middle School and we're very excited about that. We also have summer camps beginning next week and we're proud to be partnering not only with community organizations but with Duval County Public Schools to provide high quality summer arts programs. As we all know, the high quality arts education builds 21st century skills in communication, collaboration, creativity, critical thinking skills and we have the data to our partnership with the office of Tim Ballentine with the school district to see the FCAT results, attendance and all of the wonderful outcomes of our students. We look forward to sharing that data and organize and share with the School Board. We look forward to many activities in the coming year and partnering with additional schools. We're hoping to expand with additional middle schools and I encourage the members of our community and thank the School Board and Superintendent for their support. It's making a tremendous difference in the lives of our students. I have three children of my own - twin 3 year old boys who will be entering J. Allen Axson next year and a 5 year old daughter who will attend Twin Lakes ES - I'm very excited and a proud parent as a member of the community for arts education. Thank you.

Ms. DeAngel Walker said I appreciate the opportunity to share with you the experience over the past two weeks and to allow me to voice my concern. I am looking for someone to take up time and dedicated attention to me as my daughter and I have questions regarding her retainment in 2nd grade. She attends Chimney Lakes Elementary School. She enrolled in school and her first progress report card she scored below average and put in extra effort and on her first report card, she received a "C" in reading. She worked even harder and earned an "A" over the third report card period. Her final average for the year was a "B". She participated in many timed readings, comprehensive reading and passed. She was selected to mentor to the younger classmates in reading, received praise for her academic excellence, read 204 books this year and was #2 in her class for reading the most and best comprehension. On May 24, I was told my daughter did not pass the FAIR test; I had many questions

that the teachers could not answer. I spoke with the guidance counselor and vice principal. I called two School Board officials on June 4 and did not receive any phone calls. I'm sending her to summer reading and cancelled horse riding and Girl Scout camps. She also received several awards at the close of school. I want to leave my number and would like someone to give me answers about the FAIR test, SAT. I do appreciate the teachers but they can't answer my questions.

Mr. Gentry asked that Ms. Kathy LeRoy, Chief of Academic Services, speak with this parent and explain the Summer Enrichment Program and why children who make good grades are in this predicament. This would be most helpful for them.

Comments From Parent Organizations

[COMMENTS FROM PARENT ORGANIZATIONS](#)

Minutes:

District Advisory Council - Rachel Raneri, Chair:

Good evening, the District Advisory Council met on May 21st, due to the Memorial Day holiday.

A very special thanks goes out to Tim Ballentine who attended for the 3rd month in a row to keep us updated on the ever changing FCAT and its results.

Ken Sutton gave us an update on the changes in programs in Exceptional Education/Student Services.

Our special guest, April Murdaugh from FSCJ brought us information on a new program at FSCJ called the Supply Chain Management Program. This program has several different strands that include an associate in Science degree as well as Technical Certificates. The programs are aligned with several of our high school career academies and are currently under a grant, so there is no cost to students.

We have had a change in structure for the DAC, we are now under the office of Community and Family Engagement, which I think is a better fit for this organization.

As a point of personal privilege, I would like to thank some special folks who made it possible to have a very special 5th grade promotion ceremony for S. P. Livingston. The event was held at Edward Waters College in the Milne Auditorium. The college provided the facility, technology assistance and security. Big Brothers and Big Sisters paid for the buses for 2 rehearsals and the day of the ceremony. The Jacksonville Sheriff's Office covered all of the refreshments out of their personal pockets. And our keynote speaker was Mrs. Mary Brown, retired teacher, principal and district administrator and mother of our wonderful principal. This was a chance for students in the New Town Success Zone to see that it IS possible for them to attend college, even in their own neighborhood.

The next DAC meeting will be Monday, June 25th at 6:00pm in the 6th floor conference room.

PTA - Gretchen Lynch, President:

Good evening, my name is Gretchen Lynch. I am the President of the Duval County Council of PTAs/PTSAs for the 2012-13 school year. I look forward to working with all of you this coming year and serving our local units and PTA members.

The month of May began with Duval County Council's Reflections reception; where we recognized over 100 students for their work in photography, dance, music composition, creative writing and visual arts. Two Duval students have been recognized by National PTA for their work.

The Duval County Council Spring Leadership Workshop was held at the Schultz Center. 146 participants, representing 56 local units, participated in training. We know that this training will assist PTAs in getting off to a great start at their schools in August. Required Presidents' and Treasurers' Training will continue to be offered over the summer.

We closed out the month with our annual Vendor's Fair followed by the Presidents' and Principals' luncheon. At our Presidents' and Principals' luncheon, local PTA leaders were recognized for their hard work and dedication. Rising Star recognition was given to Frank H. Peterson PTSA and PTAs of the year went to Seabreeze PTA, Crown Point PTA, Mandarin Middle PTSA and Mandarin High PTSA. Thank you to the Superintendent and School Board members who were able to attend and help us celebrate the countless number of hours PTA volunteers have given to children in our community.

DCCPTA will spend its summer equipping PTA leaders to be effective partners during the next school year. We are encouraging our members to participate in the Community Meetings for the Superintendent Search and School board Candidate Forums. We will continue laying the course for our work coordinating our members and their advocacy efforts on behalf of children.

PTA appreciates the support of the School Board members, the Superintendent and the district staff. If there are additional ways that we can be of assistance to you or to our schools, please call on us. Thank you.

Comments From Employee Organizations

[COMMENTS FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS](#)

Minutes: *There was no report from Employee Organizations at this meeting.*

Student Achievement, Reform Activities, And Reports

1. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Minutes:

Flawless Opening - I'm glad to see that you, Mr. Superintendent, are adding the information in making sure all middle and high schools start at the same starting block. That is very critical and important to us because everything begins on Day 1. The very first day of school, all students should begin at the same place in order to end at the same time. We're looking forward to information that shares with us as to how each school opened with regards to students receiving their books before the first day, etc.

Tomorrow at 1:00 p.m., the Duval County School Board and the Jacksonville City Council will host a Joint Meeting. The public is invited to attend and we'll discuss "The Whole Child" and how we can help children - the School Board and City Council; we'll discuss the great things that are happening with regards to our Accelerated High School Program.

Superintendent Search - the Board has made every attempt to be transparent in our Superintendent Search. We've stated consistently one notion and that is public schools belong to the public. With that in mind, we've engaged stakeholders and asked for their input with regards to the Superintendent's selection. The last phase of that input process will not involve the entire community at-large. Beginning June 18, there will be four (4) meetings that will be held throughout the City of Jacksonville, open to the public and we're inviting everyone to come out. This is your opportunity to provide information, your opinion and input on the criteria on the selection of a new Superintendent. Additionally, what are some of the things you would like to see with regards to our school district moving forward and becoming a globally competitive school system.

The meeting dates, time and places are as follows:

June 18 - 6:00 pm - Mandarin High School
June 21 - 6:00 pm - Fletcher High School
June 25 - 6:00 pm - N. B. Forrest High School
June 26 - 6:00 pm - Raines High School

We have tried to cover every corner of Duval County. This information will be placed on our website: <http://www.duvalschools.org/>

On June 8, 2012, the Board met with McPherson & Jacobson, the search firm we selected for the Superintendent search and we developed a timeline, as follows:

In June, 2012, they will advertise the position in several publications including

Education Week, AASA website, colleges and universities, School Board Associations, New York Times, and others.

July 23, 2012 - closing date for all applications for Superintendent of Duval County Public Schools.

August 15, 2012 - meeting to review the candidates, select finalists, finalize interview schedule and review questions.

The week of August 21, 2012 - conduct interviews as we narrow the selection. All of this will be placed on our website - <http://www.duvalschools.org/>. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Duval County School Board and we will provide information to you. Thank you.

NOTE: Mr. Gentry stated that he does have the information regarding Schools for the Future and he apologized earlier in the meeting that he didn't have it.

Drop Back In Academy - Ms. Burney stated that she sees some individuals and wanted to let them know that the Board approved the renewal. Mr. Lawrence Dennis, Dr. Kris Larsen, Dr. Dana Kriznar and I attended the DBI graduation today and I would like you to stand and thank you for helping these students realize their dreams! It is very gratifying to see young people who probably had given up on themselves to return and finish something that they started several years ago. Thank you!

[2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT](#)

Minutes:

The results are still preliminary but it does look very positive in terms of some of our lowest performing schools last year making significant progress. It appears as if they will exit Intervene status - Ribault High School, A.P. Randolph and N.B. Forrest High Schools. We also saw significant improvement with North Shore, Raines and Andrew Jackson. The one piece of information we do not have is the reading and math gains and the bottom quartile reading and math gains. We should expect those school grades during the first week of July.

We have a number of summer programs: a required K-2 summer program and we're anticipating almost 3,000 students qualifying for this program. This was instituted by our Board in order to ensure that students early on, if they were struggling with reading and had not reached proficiency, received additional help and assistance during the summer. When you are my age, summer school was sort of a punishment if you didn't work hard during the school year. In many instances, our students are working very hard but they simply need more time so summer time is a support system. In fact, if students are struggling, if they attend after kindergarten, first and second grades, they received a whole semester of additional training. The idea is that we're not pleased with only having 70% of our students at proficiency in 3rd grade. That is a key gateway data piece that we need to start early in Pre-K and making sure their results are better so students are entering kindergarten more prepared. We also need

double our efforts to make sure the students have the appropriate time and their teachers have the appropriate preparation so that number goes up dramatically over the next few years. I know this has been somewhat disruptive for some parents, this is critical for parents to support us.

There have been some issues with some discrepancy between how teachers have graded students versus what these assessments say. We're not doing it on a single assessment. The FAIR is the first screening instrument. If for some reason a student doesn't reach the required proficiency on that, they would take a SAT 10 which is another norm reference test done nationally. It's to provide that support and help so students are prepared. If students aren't reading well by third grade, they struggle from that point forward and we have tremendous efforts at the middle and high school levels through intensive reading and other efforts. We need to get ahead of this curve earlier. Last year, we invested approximately \$4,000,000 at a time where we had to cut about \$60,000,000 from our budget. We are prioritizing this as a very high priority to Read It Forward Jax and this is simply one arm of that effort.

Our summer programs start a week from today, June 18 and in addition to the K-2 program, there's also the Superintendent's Academy. This is not required but it has become very popular. We have almost 2,000 students signed up and we have room for about 400 more. We're still actively recruiting. It combines both academics and enrichment and is partnered with the City of Jacksonville. Instead of our competing with them running camps, we've partnered to make this a full experience and have received great attendance and reviews from parents. Additionally, we've added more sites this year to provide more opportunities for students to get that "extra leg up" in entering the next school year and being better prepared.

We also have some Bridge programs. This is where students transition from 5th grade to 6th grade - a challenging transition; and from 8th to 9th grade. We have approximately 500 spots in the Bridge Program for 5th to 6th; and 300 spots for 8th to 9th. In Algebra I, this was the first time that this was required for our 9th grade students. You must pass the Algebra state End of Course Assessment. It is a very rigorous assessment. There are many students who may have passed the class but not pass the End of Course Assessment.

We've had a great partnership with Bethel Baptist Church for over a decade is continuing with 300 spots available for students who may need to repeat a course. All of these are listed on our website - www.duvalschools.org and instructions on how to register.

We had a number of great graduations this year and for the most part, our students did an incredible job and I'm very impressed with that. We had some students who gave speeches that were some of the best speeches I've ever heard and I've been at this a long time. By the same token, we're still having major challenges with our audiences. We are meeting with our high school principals, the Chiefs and Executive Directors as a debrief to explore ways in which we can do that and establish a better decorum. We will give you an update on that.

We have some changes on tonight's agenda with the Student Progression Plan relating

to some Board concerns as far as the Learning Recovery Program and there were three requirements added. Students must have completed a minimum of 75% of their class assignments for the nine weeks; they must have taken advantage of an available Learning Recovery Options during the nine weeks; and must have a parent/guardian participate in a required conference either via phone, email or in person so that the parent/guardian understands these obligations and responsibilities. These additional requirements will make sure that a student is having to do their part in terms of being responsible which are positive changes. If approved tonight, we will post these changes on the website.

Flawless Opening - Mr. Paul Soares is the "king" of Flawless Openings. We have a list of items that must be accomplished before we open schools: scheduling students, textbooks, transportation, cleanliness of schools, construction, etc. - so, we're able to work those issues to deploy our "thinner" staff (support staff) effectively to have a smooth opening. This is a work in progress and each year it is better. I'd like to comment Mr. Soares and his staff for providing great leadership in this endeavor each year.

We have an additional vendor who has joined us in "Read It Forward Jax" - Chick-Fil-A was the first one, but the second one is "Pollo Tro-pi-cal" and there are two and soon to be three restaurants. They are hosting events where we're taking "Reading to the Marketplace" and many of you have participated where you read to students. They are collecting books from their patrons and will give to the school district and we will turn them over to the teachers to create classroom libraries to increase the participation in reading.

I'd like to recognize Deputy Superintendent Pat Willis who will be retiring at the end of this month for her 36 years of service; five years as Deputy Superintendent. She's been the strong right arm that I have depended on in going through many challenges over the last five years. I certainly wish her well in all future endeavors. She is truly a champion of children and one who is highly respected not only in Duval County but throughout the state and nation. We wish you well, Pat!

Ms. Debbie Mennard, Chief of Schools, will also be retiring this month. We wish you well in your retirement. She has done outstanding work at the elementary level, not only as a principal but as a leader of principals and we will certainly miss you, Debbie!

Dr. Kris Larsen, Supervisor, Alternative Ed/Behavioral Support, will also be retiring this month after 41 years. Congratulations, Kris, and thank you for your outstanding service to Duval County Public Schools. We wish you the best!

Speakers:

Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member

Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member

Ms. Sonita Young, Chief of Human Resource Services

Reports

Approval of Agenda

[APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 11, 2012, AGENDA](#)

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the June 11, 2012, Agenda as submitted on June 1, 2012, with the following changes:

1. Minutes - Revised Agenda Item
2. Academic Services - Item 10 - Duval County Public Schools Partnership with the Bridge of Northeast Florida and Schools for the Future - Revised Agenda Item - Withdrawn
3. Academic Services - Agreement with Alternatives Unlimited, Incorporated, for School-Based Graduation Academies for the 2012-2013 School Year - Withdrawn - PASS
4. Human Resource Services - Item 1 - Human Resource Services Employee Transactions - Revised Attachment
5. Emergency Agenda Item - Item 1 - Resolution to Readopt 2011-2012 Budget - Item Added

Vote Results

Motion: Thomas Hazouri

Second: Martha Barrett

Martha Barrett	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Rebecca Couch	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Fred Lee	- Aye
Paula Wright	- Aye

Approval of Minutes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes:

That the Duval County School Board approve the following minutes:

March 29, 2012 - Board Workshop
April 3, 2012 - Board Workshop
April 10, 2012 - Board Workshop
April 10, 2012 - Special Board Meeting
April 17, 2012 - Board Workshop
April 24, 2012 - Board Workshop
May 1, 2012 - Regular Board Meeting
May 8, 2012 - Board Workshop
May 15, 2012 - Board Workshop
May 21, 2012 - Special Board Meeting - Student Expulsion Hearing
May 21, 2012 - Special Board Meeting
May 21, 2012 - Board Development Meeting

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the Minutes for the Meetings listed in the Agenda Item.

- March 29, 2012 - Board Workshop
- April 3, 2012 - Board Workshop
- April 10, 2012 - Board Workshop
- April 10, 2012 - Special Board Meeting
- April 17, 2012 - Board Workshop
- April 24, 2012 - Board Workshop - PASS
- May 1, 2012 - Regular Board Meeting
- May 8, 2012 - Board Workshop
- May 15, 2012 - Board Workshop
- May 21, 2012 - Special Board Meeting - Student Expulsion Hearing
- May 21, 2012 - Board Development Meeting
- May 21, 2012 - Special Board Meeting

Vote Results

Motion: Thomas Hazouri

Second: Martha Barrett

Martha Barrett - Aye

Betty Burney - Aye

Rebecca Couch - Aye

William Gentry - Aye

Thomas Hazouri - Aye

Fred Lee - Aye

Paula Wright - Aye

Approval of Consent Agenda

[APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA](#)

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the Consent Agenda. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Thomas Hazouri

Second: Martha Barrett

Martha Barrett - Aye

Betty Burney - Aye

Rebecca Couch - Aye

William Gentry - Aye

Thomas Hazouri - Aye

Fred Lee - Aye

Paula Wright - Aye

Consent Agenda

Academic Services

1. CONTINUATION OF FLORIDA INCLUSION (FIN) GRANT - FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Attachment: [Florida Inclusion Network Budget Summary.pdf](#)
Attachment: [BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES Continuation of Grant Applications \(3\).pdf](#)

2. 2012-2013 APPLICATION FOR FED.GRANTS UNDER THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT OF 2001 FOR TITLE I,PARTS A AND D; TITLE II, PART A; TITLE III, PART A; AND TITLE X PROGRAMS

Attachment: [Benefits and Challenges-TITLE III-PART A- 6-11-2012.pdf](#)
Attachment: [Benefits and Challenges -TITLE I-PART A and D-6-11-2012.pdf](#)
Attachment: [Benefits and Challenges- Title X-PART C-6-11-2012.pdf](#)
Attachment: [Benefits and Challenges-TITLE II-PART A- 6-11-2012.pdf](#)

3. CONTINUATION OF IDEIA, IDEIA PART B PRE-SCHOOL AND THE FLORIDA DIAGNOSTIC AND LEARNING RESOURCES SYSTEM(FDLRS) GRANT APPLICATIONS

Attachment: [IDEA Executive Summary.pdf](#)
Attachment: [IDEA Preschool Executive Summary.pdf](#)
Attachment: [BUDGET SUMMARIES.pdf](#)
Attachment: [IDEA B PK and FDLRS BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES FORM.pdf](#)
Attachment: [FDLRS Budget Summaries-Duval Board Item.pdf](#)
Attachment: [FDLRS ExecSummary12-13 Duval.pdf](#)

4. MASTER INSERVICE PLAN 2010-2014 AND CONTINUE THE GIFTED ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM

Attachment: [BenefitsAndChallengesMay72012.pdf](#)
Attachment: [GiftedEndorsementRenewal62012.pdf](#)

5. AGREEMENT WITH LEARNING STATION, INC. FOR CONTINUED USE OF THE LIMELIGHT ON-LINE ASSESSMENT CREATION AND DELIVERY APPLICATION

Attachment: [Limelight 2012-13 Renewal B & C Form Ver3.pdf](#)

6. SCHULTZ CENTER AGREEMENT FOR 2012-2013

Attachment: [Schultz Center Third Renewal and Amendment.pdf](#)
Attachment: [Agenda Item Schultz Agreement SCHEDULE B GRAPHIC.pdf](#)
Attachment: [Benefits and Challenges Schultz Center Agreement 2012-2013.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Barbara Langley is here with us, tonight, president of the Schultz Center and we just learned that Ms. Langley, who has guided the Schultz Center extraordinarily well over the last few years, is also going to retire. She has been an employee of the school district for many years and has done a great job not only for our school district but as well for the Schultz Center. I'd like to recognize her!

Mr. Gentry mentioned the money that is given to the Schultz Center, to make the point that came out repeatedly during the Envisioning process from teachers, principals and others that as we discussed factors that were positive for our district and city, one of the recurring things was the Schultz Center. At every Envisioning meeting, there was consensus that the Schultz Center was a special place unlike any other in the country and it was a great asset. It is something we should tout when we start looking for the new superintendent. I wanted the community to hear that if they did not attend one of the Envisioning meetings.

The Schultz Center was a vision of Fred Schultz and it is now ten years old. The concept is to provide a high quality, technologically rich and professional environment where teachers can go and work with their colleagues and share in professional development. The district does enter into a contract each year with the Schultz Center which are very detailed; the hours are broken up; incredible accountability and transparency and in fact, the cost for the services is less than if we went out and bought it on the market; and the quality is unsurpassed. So, it's a great asset for the school district and it's as much a well kept secret as Baldwin, apparently, Ms. Couch. We need to let people know more about it and we'll continue to utilize and maximize its assets. So, thank you, Ms. Langley, and a "shout out" for the Schultz Center.

[8. SECONDARY INTENSIVE READING REPLENISHMENT MATERIALS](#)

Attachment: [Benefits and Challenges Secondary Intensive Reading Replenishment Materials.pdf](#)

[9. DISTRICT SUMMER LEARNING INITIATIVE GRANT](#)

Attachment: [Benefits and Challenges District Summer Learning Initiative Grant.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Duval County Public Schools Summer Learning Submission.pdf](#)

[12. SUBMISSION OF AN AT&T ASPIRE GRANT PROPOSAL](#)

Attachment: [BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES FORM for ATT Grant June 2012.pdf](#)

[13. CONTINUATION AGREEMENT WITH ALTERNATIVES UNLIMITED, INCORPORATED FOR THE DROP BACK IN ACADEMY COMMUNITY-BASED DROPOUT](#)

[RETRIEVAL PROGRAM FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR](#)

Attachment: [BenefitsandChallengesForm-2012-2013-AlternativesUnlimited-CommunityBasedSites-05-29-12.pdf](#)

~~AGREEMENT WITH ALTERNATIVES UNLIMITED, INCORPORATED FOR SCHOOL-BASED GRADUATION ACADEMIES FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR-- WITHDRAWN~~

Attachment: [BenefitsandChallengesForm-2012-2013-AlternativesUnlimited-GraduationAcademies-05-31-12.pdf](#)

Human Resource Services - Staffing

[1. HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES EMPLOYEE TRANSACTIONS](#)

Attachment: [HRS_Agenda_06-11-12_TRANS.pdf](#)

[2. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS - DIRECTOR, CONSOLIDATED SERVICES CENTER](#)

Attachment: [HRS_Attach_06-11-12-MinQuals_CSC.pdf](#)

Human Resource Services - Professional Standards

[1. SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY PENDING TERMINATION - KRISTOPHER HUNTER](#)

Administration and Business Services - Budget and Financial

[1. MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS](#)

Attachment: [March 2012 Board Statement Worksheet.pdf](#)

Attachment: [March 2012 Cash and Invest.pdf](#)

[2. ADOPTION OF BUDGET RESOLUTIONS](#)

Attachment: [Budget Resolution June Narrative.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Budget Resolution June Spreadsheets.pdf](#)

Operations - Information Technology

[1. RETROFIT FOR TECHNOLOGY AT LAKE FOREST ELEMENTARY NO. 74 : CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD](#)

Attachment: [BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES 3074 Retrofit.pdf](#)

Operations - School Choice and Pupil Assignment

[1. CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT \(CHARTER\) FOR WAYMAN ACADEMY OF THE ARTS](#)

Attachment: [Wayman Academy Benefits and Challenges.pdf](#)

[2. CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT FOR SOMERSET ACADEMY, INC. TO OPEN SOMERSET ACADEMY EAGLE HIGH](#)

Attachment: [Somerset Eagle High Benefits and Challenges 6.11.12.pdf](#)

Operations - Real Estate, Planning and Programming

[1. FUNDING AMENDMENT TO 5-YEAR LONG RANGE CAPITAL PLAN](#)

Attachment: [June 11 2012 B-C Agenda Item Amend 5-Year Capital plan 5-9-12.pdf](#)

Operations - Facilities Project Design, Construction and Maintenance

[1. PRE-QUALIFICATION OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS FOR EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS](#)

Attachment: [Board Approval - Renewals 06-2012.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Board Approval - New 06-2012.pdf](#)

[2. PERIODIC REPORT OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETIONS, FINAL INSPECTIONS, ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT AND NET SUM OF ALL CHANGE ORDERS ON MAJOR MAINTENANCE PROJECTS UNDER \\$1,000,000](#)

Attachment: [June 11 2012 B-C Agenda Item CSC-CFI-Cont Sav on Projects under \\$1M Report 04 23 12.pdf](#)

Attachment: [June 11 2012 Agenda Item CSC-CFI-Cont Sav on on Proj Chart for May 2012 05 22 12.pdf](#)

[3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION AND CERTIFICATE OF FINAL INSPECTION OF CAPITAL PROJECTS OVER \\$1,000,000: NEW DAY TREATMENT WING AT EUGENE BUTLER MIDDLE SCHOOL NO. 92/DCSB PROJECT NO. C-91430](#)

Attachment: [June 11 2012 B-C Agenda Item C-91430 CSC CFI for Eugene Butler MS No 92 05 01 12.pdf](#)

Attachment: [June 11 2012 Agenda Item C-91430 CSC CFI Project Description Info for Butler MS No 92 05 01 12.pdf](#)

[4. DISTRICTWIDE ENERGY RETROFITS/LIGHTING RETROFITS AT VARIOUS SCHOOLS GROUP 1-2/DCSB PROJECT NO. M-83750 CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD/OFDC-ITB-013-12](#)

Attachment: [June 11 2012 B-C Agenda Item M-83750 DW Elec Sys Group 1-2 Cons Cont Award 5-4-12.pdf](#)

Attachment: [M-83750 Bid Tab for Retrofit Gr 2 Ph 1-2 4-19-12.pdf](#)

Operations - Purchasing and Logistics

1. AUTOMATED MESSAGE DISTRIBUTION SERVICES

Attachment: [MESSAGE DISTRIBUTION EVALUATION - FINAL.pdf](#)

Attachment: [B & C - Automated Message Distribution Services.pdf](#)

2. STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH AND BEHAVIORAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Attachment: [B & C Student Mental Health and Behavioral Support.pdf](#)

3. SPEECH, LANGUAGE, OCCUPATIONAL AND PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES

Attachment: [OT PT SERVICES EVALUATION - FINAL.pdf](#)

Attachment: [B & C - Speech, Lang., Occupational and Physical Therapy.pdf](#)

4. SURPLUS PROPERTY RETIREMENT REPORT

Attachment: [ROSUMFY12 June agenda.pdf](#)

Attachment: [05June12doc.pdf](#)

Attachment: [BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES FORM FY11-12 June.pdf](#)

Attachment: [07June12doc.pdf](#)

Attachment: [04June12 doc.pdf](#)

Attachment: [06June12doc.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Retirement Order Highlight outline JUNE2012.pdf](#)

Attachment: [RORET FY12 June agenda.pdf](#)

Discussion

Board Members

1. PUBLIC HEARING & VOTE: REVISION OF BOARD POLICY 2.14 - SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION

Attachment: [revised evaluation Policyv5 no form - 06-11-12.pdf](#)

Minutes:

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

Revision of Board Policy 2.14 - Superintendent Evaluation

The Chairman asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak to the Board regarding this item; there being no response, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

Speakers:

Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member

Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee, Board Vice Chairman

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a Public Hearing and vote to approve revisions to Policy 2.14 - Superintendent Evaluation Policy. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Thomas Hazouri

Second: Fred Lee

Martha Barrett	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Rebecca Couch	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Fred Lee	- Aye
Paula Wright	- Aye

Academic Services

[7. PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE; MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2012-2013 STUDENT PROGRESSION PLAN](#)

Attachment: [Benefits and Challenges Student Progression Plan Modifications 2012-2013.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Agenda Item SPP Middle Strike Through 2012-13 \(5-4-12\).pdf](#)

Attachment: [Agenda Item SPP 2012-13 MAJOR Change doc5-3-12.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Agenda Item SPP Elem Strike Through 5-4-12.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Agenda Item SPP High Strike Through 5-1-12 \(2\).pdf](#)

Minutes:

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

Modifications to the 2012-2013 Student Progression Plan

The Chairman asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak to the Board regarding this item; there being no response, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

Motions:

1. That the Duval County School Board will conduct a public hearing on the revisions to the 2012-2013 Student Progression Plan.

- PASS

2. That the Duval County School Board will approve, following the public hearing, the modifications to the 2012-2013 Student Progression Plan.

Vote Results

Motion: Thomas Hazouri

Second: Martha Barrett

Martha Barrett - Aye

Betty Burney - Aye

Rebecca Couch - Aye

William Gentry - Aye

Thomas Hazouri - Aye

Fred Lee - Aye

Paula Wright - Aye

~~10. DUVAL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP WITH THE BRIDGE OF NORTHEAST FLORIDA AND SCHOOLS FOR THE FUTURE - WITHDRAWN~~

~~Attachment: Memo Schs of the Future with Data 5-10-12.pdf~~

~~Attachment: BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES FORM for SFF June 2012.pdf~~

[11. PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE: APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO THE CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT](#)

Attachment: [BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES Code of Conduct 2012-2013.docx.pdf](#)

Minutes:

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

Approval of Revisions to the Code of Student Conduct

The Chairman asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak to the Board regarding this item; there being no response, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

Speakers:

Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member
Ms. Gloria Lockley, Director, Alternative Ed/Behavioral Support

Ms. Couch offered a motion to defer this item to the Special meeting to be held on June 21, 2012. This would allow us more time to discuss this item.

Mr. Gentry seconded the motion.

Speaker:

Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member

Motions:

1. That the Duval County School Board conducts a public hearing on the revisions to the Code of Student Conduct, 2012-2013 outlined in the attached summary.

2. That subsequent to the public hearing, the Duval County School Board approve the 2012-2013 Code of Conduct and printing costs not to exceed \$60,000.

Vote Results

Motion: Thomas Hazouri

Second: Martha Barrett

Motions:

Board Member Couch moved to defer this item to the June 21, 2012, Special Board Meeting. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Rebecca Couch

Second: William Gentry

Martha Barrett - Aye

Betty Burney - Aye

Rebecca Couch - Aye

William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Fred Lee	- Aye
Paula Wright	- Aye

General

1. PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE: EQUITY POLICY, 1.22

Attachment: [DCSB Equity Policy.pdf](#)
 Attachment: [BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES -Equity Policy.pdf](#)

Minutes:

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

Equity Policy, 1.22

The Chairman asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak to the Board regarding this item; there being no response, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

Speakers:

- Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent of Schools
- Ms. Josephine Jackson, Executive Director, Equity & Inclusion
- Ms. Betty Burney, Board Chair
- Ms. Paula D. Wright, Board Member

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a public hearing and approve School Board Policy, - PASS
 Equity Policy 1.22

Vote Results

Motion: Thomas Hazouri

Second: Martha Barrett

Martha Barrett	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Rebecca Couch	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye

Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Fred Lee	- Aye
Paula Wright	- Aye

Emergency Agenda Items

1. RESOLUTION TO READOPT 2011-2012 BUDGET

Attachment: [Certification to readopt the 1112 budget.pdf](#)

Minutes:

EMERGENCY AGENDA ITEM:

The Chairman declared the following item as an emergency because failure to do so would have a significant adverse affect on the welfare of Duval County students.

Item 1: Resolution to Readopt 2011-2012 Budget

Speakers:

Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Lee Legutko, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Member

COMMENT BY KAREN CHASTAIN, OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL:

The purpose of what I'm about to say is to request that we receive permission to have an Attorney/Client Litigation Shade meeting as authorized by Section 286.011(a) Florida Statutes to discuss pending litigation and seek advice from the School Board regarding litigation strategies and expenditures regarding the case of *Rhona Silver vs. Duval County School Board*, Case No. 1D11-2847; DOAH 09-2987. We will get back with you regarding the details as to the scheduling of this meeting and, of course, we will follow the requirements set forth in Section 286.011 (a) that relates to the private Attorney/Client session that is permitted by that statute. The first step is for me to request the meeting and that's the purpose of my comment, tonight.

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board pass a resolution readopting the 2011-2012 Duval County Public Schools' Final

Budget as Amended and expend funds based on that budget until such time as the 2012-2013 Duval County Public Schools' Tentative Budget is adopted, pursuant to Section 200.065(2)(g)2, Florida Statutes. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Thomas Hazouri

Second: Fred Lee

Martha Barrett	- Aye
Betty Burney	- Aye
Rebecca Couch	- Aye
William Gentry	- Aye
Thomas Hazouri	- Aye
Fred Lee	- Aye
Paula Wright	- Aye

Board Member Travel

[BOARD MEMBERS TRAVEL](#)

Minutes:

That the Duval County School Board approve the following travel for Board member(s):

June 13-15, 2012 - FSBA/FADSS Spring Conference - Tampa, FL - Wright

Motions:

That the Duval County School Board approve the following Board Members Travel:

- June 13-15, 2012 - FSBA/FADSS Spring Conference - Tampa, FL - Wright - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: William Gentry

Second: Rebecca Couch

Martha Barrett - Aye

Betty Burney - Aye

Rebecca Couch - Aye

William Gentry - Aye

Thomas Hazouri - Aye

Fred Lee - Aye

Paula Wright - Aye

Superintendent's Travel

[SUPERINTENDENT'S TRAVEL](#)

Minutes: *There is no travel for the Superintendent on this agenda.*

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Ms. Couch said I had the opportunity to visit Ortega Elementary School's Museum. It was such a pleasure to see all of the work the students put into the exhibit. I had a student go over constellations with me and another student discussed the pyramid and they also had Science Night. Many parents attended and everyone in the community was engaged. The teachers were there performing experiments and it was a great event. I want to give kudos to the school and Ortega will become one of my new schools when the boundary changes take place. Congratulations to all of the seniors that graduated this month and I look forward to our next school year.

Ms. Wright said I would like to congratulate all of the seniors. I had an opportunity to attend approximately 8-10 graduations and it was wonderful to see how proud the students, parents, principals and staff were. I'd like to thank Dr. Carolyn Girardeau for her hard work in helping to secure Jefferson Davis and Northwestern Middle Schools as Cambridge schools. Particularly for Northwestern as it is a direct feeder to Raines High

School. Earlier you heard in the Superintendent's report that Raines, Andrew Jackson and North Shore - we're still waiting on the data to determine if they will exit Intervene status. It's very important that we shore up our middle schools to make certain that we are sending our middle schoolers to high schools as prepared and proficient, as possible. I'd like to encourage all of our parents to please take advantage of our summer learning programs. Research will show that over the summer, students can lose 2-3 months or more of learning so it's important that they stay engaged academically and emotionally. Have fun but also prepare themselves academically. Thank you.

Mr. Lee said I'd like to reiterate what my fellow Board members said about all of the graduating seniors. We're very proud of each and every one of you. All the commencement exercises I attended was an honor. These students worked so hard to reach their graduation and now are moving to the next stage in their lives and strive for success. Congratulations to many of the retirees. They have dedicated their lives to the education of children and there's no more honorable profession that I can think of than that. It's a very tough job. A quick point of clarification, we do financial audits and if you want a copy of them, we can provide them. The Board has its own auditor and even though we have our interim Chief Financial Officer present and another consultant, they have been in the system previously and it's great to have a different pair of eyes on our financial matters. In the next few months you should see a more transparent model in Duval County.

Mr. Hazouri said I'd like to congratulate all of our senior this year and the graduations were well done and the students were well behaved. I'd like to thank the teachers for a great job they've done this year. We will deal with discipline and the morale issue. I'm very proud of this Board for what they're tackling at this time. Congratulations to the retirees and when I retire, I will miss the staff and appreciate the hard work you continually do. There have been some very tough times and you've dealt with it. I'm proud of the Board on what we're doing with the Superintendent Search. The process has been very transparent. I'd like to congratulate both Betty Burney and Nancy Broner for facilitating our meetings during this process; they are excellent trainers.

Ms. Barrett said I'd like to thank the citizens for being involved in the Envisioning meetings with regards to the Superintendent Search. We had a great meeting last meet facilitated by Mrs. Broner and I'd like to encourage everyone to come out to these meetings this month. I'd like to thank the principal, Linda Lisella, at Arlington Middle School where they celebrated their 50th anniversary. We saw pictures of Mr. Lee when he was a middle schooler there and his wife attended as well as Mrs. Burney and the Superintendent. It was a very nice celebration in May. Terry Parker's graduation turned out very well and gave uplifting messages to their fellow students. Also, congratulations to Terry Parker for securing the IB program beginning in the fall. I'd like to thank the Superintendent and staff for being so diligent and persistent in keeping the Communities in Schools person at Terry Parker High School. We were in danger of losing that position. I visited Fort Caroline Elementary School for their reading celebration. The mayor's wife, Cynthia Brown, was there and the Kiwanis Club gave away books and prizes to the children. This club is a business partner with the school and they are so thankful for that relationship. I thank the PTA for their wonderful luncheon and wish Melissa Kicklighter the best and appreciate the great job

she's done as County Council President and I wish Gretchen well in the coming year!

Mr. Gentry said graduations are one of the fun things we get to do and we all commend our graduates. These young people are being challenged much more than any of us. They are required to learn a great deal more and the academic standards are much more demanding and they should be very proud of themselves. I feel we need to do more to make the graduations more solemn and fitting for the occasion. The kids are great but some of the family/friends get a little carried away. If you look at Douglas Anderson's graduation, they take a few moments to celebrate the achievements of the class and of the school. I'm not hearing that very much at most of our graduations but we need to implement some of their features into all of our graduations. All of our schools have great accomplishments but they're not always mentioned. I'd like to say that the Reading Initiative is very exciting and challenging for some parents. It's difficult to understand if your child is doing well throughout the year but then must attend summer enrichment. I want to thank Ms. Barrett - she is running for re-election to the Board and she made my 94 year-old father's day as she was walking last week in her district and knocked on his door. He was very excited to have a lovely woman interested in receiving his vote and when I arrived, I found a sign in his yard; so it's all good.

Ms. Burney said I'd like to thank all of our teachers as we end this school year. These teachers have had to work in the face of constant media degrading the public school system. Many of them constantly give their time, talents and energy in working with our young people. I'd like to say a very special "thank you" to Ms. Patricia Willis for all of your years, dedication and your heart. I think people do not actually know all that you've done behind the scenes to make sure that equity has taken place in this district and that young people are getting a high quality education. I'd like to extend that same "thank you" to Dr. Kris Larsen because your heart. I think if there were ever a person fit to be in the job that you're in, is you with regards as to what you do and how you care about young people. So, thank you so very, very much. Same thing to Debbie Mennard - you truly do care about our children and I appreciate all of you. I had the wonderful opportunity to be a moderator at a fashion show at Hyde Grove Elementary School. They were having their "coming out" for their 5th grade girls and they were escorted down the red carpet - a beautiful affair. I read with Ms. Couch at Oceanway Elementary school and attended Arlington Middle School's 50th anniversary. I'd like to echo Mr. Gentry's comments with regards to Douglas Anderson's graduation - I leave there every year thinking, "WOW" - it is truly a dignified affair and they follow suit and it can be accomplished throughout the district. Adding to our Flawless Opening, making sure that all schools start on an equal footing. Thank you very much.

Adjournment

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The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

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Superintendent

Chairman