



Duval County Public Schools

June 23, 2009, Board Workshop

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

ATTENDANCE AT THIS WORKSHOP OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD: All Board Members were present, with the exception of Ms. Nancy Broner, who was out of town. 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 10:40 a.m.

Items To Be Discussed

[1. HOUSEKEEPING ISSUES](#)

Minutes:

Board Member Gentry suggested the Board discuss establishing subcommittees. Chairman Hazouri said they would add this to the July 13, 2009, Retreat Agenda.

Board Member Burney expressed concern with an e-mail from Paul Soares, Chief of

Operations Support, regarding bus stop changes. The e-mail indicates information was sent home with students. She would like to know why the information was not mailed instead. Board Vice-Chairman Priestly Jackson also had concerns with Principals not having adequate input. Superintendent Pratt-Dannals indicated that Principals were asked to provide their feedback. This topic will be added to a Workshop prior to the start of school for the coming year.

Board Member Gentry asked about the recent legislation regarding Board Member salary. This item will be covered during the July 7, 2009, Draft Agenda discussion.

Board Member Gentry requested an update on the sale of Lola Culver.

Board Member Gentry also expressed concerns with the truancy centers and the failure of principals to refer students. This topic will also be placed on the Retreat agenda.

[2. JULY 7, 2009, DRAFT AGENDA REVIEW](#)

Minutes:

Staff reviewed the July 7, 2009, Draft Agenda with the Board. Board Members requested the following information:

- HRS Staffing - Item 1 - Transactions - provide Board with relationship between moves for Assistant Principals and student achievement - Priestly Jackson; reconstitution of turnaround schools - provide Board with cut scores and how we arrived at those scores - Priestly Jackson
- HRS Staffing - Item 2 - RIF - Teachers - provide Board with number of positions being RIF'd because there are not enough students in a program - please provide this information by school - Burney
- HRS Staffing - Item 3 - RIF - Paras - provide Board with years of service and salary for those on this list - Priestly Jackson
- Operations Facilities Design - Item 1 - Roof Replacement - which building at Oceanway Middle are they replacing - Drake
- Operations Transportation - Item 1 - GSA's 2, 4, and 5 - provide Board with update on all transportation issues - Hazouri
- Operations - Purchasing - Item 8 - SRO Renewal - provide Board with information on what all columns mean on attachment and an explanation of why we have to pay those fees- Burney; provide explanation of pension benefit increase and how the figure was arrived at - Gentry
- Academics - Item 2 - Virtual Schools - provide Board with information on what charges these vendors are making to other purchasers of their services - Gentry
- Academics - Item 5 - College Board - provide data on how well students performed - Burney; provide Board with information on how schools are using this program - Priestly Jackson; provide Board with evaluation of what they have done for students - Burney
- Academics - Item 6 - Springboard - provide Board with evaluation of what they have done for students - Burney

- Academics - Item 14 - JAG - provide Board with data on how many students attended the truancy centers for the past school year - Gentry
- Operations added item - Wellness Policy - provide Board with a copy of policy - Burney

Speakers:

Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Chairman
 Ms. Vicki Reynolds, Chief Human Resource Services Officer
 Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Vice-Chairman
 Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member
 Ms. Pat Willis, Deputy Superintendent
 Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member
 Mr. Stan Jordan, Board Member
 Ms. Vicki Drake, Board Member
 Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent
 Mr. Doug Ayars, Chief Operating Officer
 Mr. Paul Soares, Chief of Operations Support
 Mr. Andy Eckert, Director, Operations
 Ms. Kathy LeRoy, Chief Academic Officer

3. CALCULATIONS: FCAT, SCHOOL GRADING PROCESS, NEW HS SCHEDULING, D.A. MODEL

Minutes:

Mr. Tim Ballentine, Executive Director, Instructional Improvement, continued his presentation from the June 16, 2009, Board Workshop. Board members requested the following information:

- Provide bottom quartile for each school for FCAT - Priestly Jackson
- Provide percentage of students tested on FCAT - Priestly Jackson
- Provide Board with comparison of how a standard diploma compares to a Special Diploma - explain differences - Priestly Jackson
- Provide NCLB performance steps - Priestly Jackson
- Provide calculations based on this year's data on what our grades would have been under differentiated accountability - Priestly Jackson

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 Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member
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 Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent
 Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member

4. TWO DIVISION MODEL

Minutes: This item was not discussed.

5. 1/4 MILL DISCUSSION

Minutes:

Board Members discussed the 1/4 mill option. This item will have to be on the July 7, 2009, agenda for action if we are to include it in our TRIM ad for the coming year. The following points were made:

- If not approved by the voters on the November 2010 ballot, this will be one-time dollars
- Need super majority of Board - 5 - to approve going forward
- Depending on what other Districts do, we will be hit with a differential - this depends on whether they dollars are used for Operating instead of Capital
- General consensus was to go forward with agenda item, and, if approved, place the money in the general fund balance for Operating. If approved, the Board would meet at a future time to discuss how these dollars should be used.

Speakers:

Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Chairman
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent
Mr. Mike Perrone, Budget Director
Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member
Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Vice-Chairman
Mr. Doug Ayars, Chief Operating Officer
Ms. Vicki Drake, Board Member
Mr. Stan Jordan, Board Member
Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member

6. FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PLAN

Minutes:

Mr. Doug Ayars, Chief Operating Officer, and Mr. Ron Fagan, Director of Program Management, Operations, provided the Board with information on the Five Year Plan. Board members requested the following information:

- What do we still owe on COPS from the 1990's - Jordan
- What is considered a fiscal year for scenario 2 and what would successful competition be based on - Jordan
- Ask someone from the public who is an expert in bonds volunteer their time to

- address the Board on this matter - Gentry
- Update Board on how pensions will impact our bond rating - Priestly Jackson
- Workshop IT needs in August 2009 - Burney & Priestly Jackson
- Provide Board with briefing sheet on stimulus dollars, along with time lines involved - Jordan
- Provide Board with update regarding on-line grade book assessment - Burney

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Mr. Ron Fagan, Director, Program Management
Mr. Mike Perrone, Budget Director
Mr. Stan Jordan, Board Member
Ms. Brenda Priestly Jackson, Board Vice-Chairman
Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member
Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member
Dr. Terri Stahlman, Chief Technology Officer

Adjournment

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Minutes:

The Chairman adjourned the Board Workshop at 5:05 p.m.

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We Agree on this

Superintendent

Chairman