



## Duval County Public Schools

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May 19, 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. Brenda Priestly Jackson. Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent, and Ms. Karen Chastain, Assistant 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 11:59 a.m.

Items To Be Discussed

### [1. BOARD MEMBER UPDATES](#)

Minutes:

Board Member Burney expressed concern over a response to BMR Issue 2009-62 regarding students who were withdrawn or transferred in middle and high schools. In a month and a half period of time there were 1,522 students withdrawn. She would like to know what we are doing to lower this number and what impact this had on the

FCAT scores.

Board Member Gentry expressed concern with the way we have approached applying for the stimulus dollars, indicating that the Board should have had input prior to the April 24, 2009, deadline. The Superintendent indicated that information had previously been provided to the Board at earlier Workshops. However, the food service bid had taken precedent. He is prepared today to update the Board and ask for input, and shared that we were still within the time line for submitting amendments to our application.

Board Member Drake asked that staff review our process for business partners to make donations to schools of equipment and funds.

Board Member Broner shared that she has just returned from a Broad Institute session and that the stimulus dollars were a hot topic. She requested an update on our time frame for applying for the race to the top funds.

The Workshop date of May 21, 2009, at 10:00 am was confirmed. The Board will decide later in the day a date and time for a Special Meeting to consider the Food Service Bid Contract.

Speakers:

Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Chairman  
Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member  
Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member  
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent  
Ms. Vicki Drake, Board Member  
Ms. Nancy Broner, Board Member  
Ms. Bonnie Susan Cole, Board Secretary

[2. BUDGET UPDATE](#)

Minutes:

Mr. Martin Miller, our Legislative Consultant, updated the Board on recent actions of the 2009 Legislative Session. Topics covered were:

- Virtual Instruction
- Board and Superintendent Salary
- Instructional Materials
- Mobile Phones
- Travel

Mr. Miller also provided the Board with a briefing handout. A copy of the handout is attached to the Minutes.

Board members thanked Mr. Miller for all of his hard work on our behalf during the Legislative Session, acknowledging how valuable his representation is for us in Tallahassee and how respected he is among the other lobbyists and Legislators.

The Superintendent updated the Board on Title I and stimulus dollars. Board Member Burney asked if we were seeking outside assistance in obtaining the race to the top dollars. The Superintendent indicated that staff is looking at collaboration and assistance in this area.

Speakers:

Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Chairman  
Mr. Martin Miller, Legislative Consultant  
Mr. Stan Jordan, Board Member  
Ms. Vicki Drake, Board Member  
Ms. Nancy Broner, Board Member  
Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member  
Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member  
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent  
Ms. Pat Willis, Deputy Superintendent  
Mr. Doug Ayars, Chief Operating Officer

3. FOOD SERVICE UPDATE

Minutes:

Staff provided the Board with an update on the Food Service Bid contract negotiations. Areas covered include:

- Labor
- Cost Control
- Capital Investment
- Price Escalation
- Indirect Costs
- Exceptions
- Nutrition
- Summer School
- Administrative Food Service
- Sales Plan
- Auditing

The Board decided to have the meeting to approve the contract on May 21, 2009, at 2:00 p.m., in Room 613.

Speakers:

Mr. Tommy Hazouri, Board Chairman

Mr. Doug Ayars, Chief Operating Officer  
Mr. Paul Soares, Chief of Operations Support  
Mr. Stan Jordan, Board Member  
Mr. John Radcliffe, Director, Risk Management  
Mr. W. C. Gentry, Board Member  
Ms. Betty Burney, Board Member  
Mr. Dave Descenza, Chartwells  
Mr. Ed Pratt-Dannals, Superintendent  
Ms. Stefanie Perry, Nutritionist  
Ms. Chris Jahardo, PTA  
Ms. Karen Chastain, Assistant General Counsel

#### [4. JUNE 8, 2009, DRAFT AGENDA REVIEW](#)

Minutes:

Due to time constraints, the Board decided to discuss the June 8, 2009, Draft Agenda, at the May 21, 2009, Board Workshop.

#### [5. SCHULTZ CENTER AGREEMENT](#)

Minutes: Due to time constraints, the Schultz Center Agreement will be discussed at the May 21, 2009, Board Workshop.

Adjournment

#### [ADJOURNMENT](#)

Minutes:

The Chairman adjourned the Board Workshop at 4:09 p.m.

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We Agree on this

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Superintendent

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Chairman