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*To be a world-class school system.*

**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF LEE COUNTY**  
**School Board Workshop – MINUTES**  
(Training Room “D,” 2855 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, FL)  
**Thursday, November 9, 2017**

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**Attending**

Ms. Mary Fischer, Chairman	Dr. Gregory K. Adkins, Superintendent/Secretary
Dr. Jane E. Kuckel, Vice Chairman (arrived at 2:12)	Mr. Keith Martin, Board Attorney
Mrs. Melisa W. Giovannelli, Board Member	Mrs. Susan Johnson, Office Manager/Recording Secy.
Mrs. Chris N. Patricca, Board Member	Mrs. Mary Reider, Executive Secretary
Mr. Steven K. Teuber, Board Member	Dr. Denise Carlin, Facilitator
Ms. Cathleen O’Daniel Morgan, Board Member	Mrs. Cindy McClung, Facilitator
Mrs. Pamela H. LaRiviere, Board Member (participated via phone until 3:28)	

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**Call to Order**

Ms. Mary Fischer, Board Chairman, called the School Board Workshop of November 9, 2017 to order at 1:40 P.M.

**Purpose of Workshop**

- **Board Meeting Calendar (December 2017 – November 2018)**

Following discussion, agreement was reached to present the proposed dates indicated below for official action during the Annual Organization of the Board portion of the November 14th Board Meeting:

o December 12, 2017	o June 5, 2018
o January 9, 2018	o June 26, 2018
o January 23, 2018	o July 31, 2018 ( <i>Tentative Budget Public Hearing at 5:05 P.M.</i> )
o February 13, 2018	o August 14, 2018
o February 27, 2018	o August 29, 2018 (Wed.)
o March 13, 2018	o September 11, 2018 ( <i>Final Budget Public Hearing at 5:05 P.M.</i> )
o March 27, 2018	o September 25, 2018
o April 10, 2018	o October 10, 2018 (Wed.)
o April 24, 2018	o October 23, 2018
o May 8, 2018	o November 7, 2018 (Wed.)
o May 22, 2018	o November 20, 2018 ( <i>includes Annual Organization of the Board</i> )

- **Assign Committee Liaisons/Review Article Assignments**

The Board consented to the list of monthly assignments of Board Members for the monthly articles, as shown below (reflecting changes from the proposed list).

January 2018 (Due Jan. 8 <sup>th</sup> )	Mary Fischer, District 1
February 2018 (Due Feb. 5 <sup>th</sup> )	Melisa Giovannelli, District 2
March 2018 (Due March 5 <sup>th</sup> )	Chris Patricca, District 3
April 2018 (Due April 9 <sup>th</sup> )	Steven Teuber, District 4
May 2018 (Due May 7 <sup>th</sup> ) <i>End of Year Message</i>	Chris Patricca, District 3
June 2018 (Due June 4 <sup>th</sup> )	Mary Fischer, District 1
July 2018 (Due July 9 <sup>th</sup> )	Steven Teuber, District 4
August 2018 (Due Aug. 6 <sup>th</sup> ) <i>Back-to-School Message</i>	Superintendent and Board
September 2018 (Due Sept. 10 <sup>th</sup> )	Pam LaRiviere, District 5
October 2018 (Due Oct. 8 <sup>th</sup> )	Jane Kuckel, District 6
November 2018 (Due Nov. 5 <sup>th</sup> )	Cathleen Morgan, District 7

(Dr. Kuckel entered the meeting at 2:12 p.m.)

Following discussion, the following liaison assignments were decided for 2017-2018:

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Board Member(s)</b>
Construction Advisory Committee	Mr. Teuber
Continuous Systemic Advisory Committee	Mrs. LaRiviere
Curriculum Advisory Committee	Ms. Morgan
District Advisory Council	Ms. Fischer
Equity & Diversity Advisory Committee	Mrs. Giovannelli
Finance Advisory Committee	Mrs. Patricca
Insurance Task Force	Dr. Kuckel
Board Legislative Liaison / Federal	Mrs. Patricca /Mrs. LaRiviere (alternate)
Board Legislative Liaison / State	Mrs. Patricca /Mrs. LaRiviere (alternate)
Coalition for a Drug-Free Southwest Florida	Ms. Fischer
Head Start/Early Head Start Policy Council	Mrs. Giovannelli
Horizon Council	Chairman
Instructional Calendar Committee (for 2019-20 calendar)	Mr. Teuber
Learning for Life, Inc.	Mrs. Giovannelli
Quality Improvement Advisory Committee	Chairman Vice Chairman
School Board Student Advisory Committee	All Board Members
School Health Advisory Committee	Ms. Fischer
Southwest Florida & Lee County Fair Board	Dr. Kuckel
Strategic Planning Steering Committee	Mrs. Patricca
The Foundation for Lee County Public Schools	Chairman
Uncommon Friends Governing Board	Mrs. LaRiviere
Value Adjustment Board	Ms. Morgan /Mrs. Giovannelli (alternate)

*(The phone connection with Mrs. LaRiviere was lost at 3:28 p.m.)*

• **Review Board Self-Evaluations**

**Strengths**

- We are working together better than ever.
- We support our employees and their work.

**Opportunities**

- We need more student involvement (i.e., in the issues we are discussing at Board Meetings).
- Communication across all employee groups and in the community, at large: common message.
- More input from stakeholders (i.e., teachers, students).
- More focused Board Workshops (i.e., long-range strategic plan).
- Come to Board Meetings prepared (read materials prior to meetings)
- Share individual Board Meeting agenda items ahead of time to Superintendent.
- Adopt common expectations for presentations/discussion at Board Workshops and Briefings.

*(All backup materials are on file with the official meeting minutes.)*

**Adjournment**

Ms. Fischer adjourned the November 9, 2017, School Board Workshop at 4:30 P.M.

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**Mary Fischer**, Meeting Chairman

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ATTEST:

  
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**Gregory K. Adkins, Ed.D.**, Superintendent/Secretary