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THE SCHOOL BOARD OF LEE COUNTY
School Board Meeting – MINUTES (Approval 1/22/08)
(School Board Meeting Room, 2855 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, FL)
Tuesday, January 8, 2008 - 6:00 P.M.

Attending

Mrs. Jeanne S. Dozier, Chairman Dr. James W. Browder, Secretary and District Superintendent
Dr. Jane E. Kuckel, Vice Chairman Mr. Keith Martin, Board Attorney
Mr. Robert D. Chilmonik, Member
Mr. Steven K. Teuber, Member Mrs. Donna Lesansky, Recording Secretary
Dr. Elinor C. Scricca, Member (*via telephone*)

I. Opening Exercises

A. Call to Order

The School Board of Lee County, Florida, met on Tuesday, January 8, 2008, at 6:00 P.M. in the School Board Meeting Room for a Regular School Board Meeting. Chairman Jeanne Dozier presided.

Motion by Dr. Kuckel, seconded by Mr. Teuber and carried 5-0 to accept the agenda as the Order of Business.

B. Invocation (*delivered by Mr. Chilmonik*)

C. Presentation of Colors and Pledge of Allegiance (*Mr. Teuber*)

- Cadet Lieutenant Colonel John Vetter, Ida S. Baker High School JROTC
- Lieutenant Colonel David A. Palmer, Army Instructor

II. Special Presentations

A. Recognitions

1. Reading First Certificate of Achievement (*presented by Dr. Kuckel*)

- The School District of Lee County

2. Model School Awards – PBS Program (*presented by Mr. Teuber*)

- Trafalgar Elementary School
- Rayma C. Page Elementary School
- North Fort Myers Academy for the Arts

3. Title I Distinguished School (*presented by Dr. Kuckel*)

- Harns Marsh Elementary School

4. **Blue Ribbon School** (presented by Mr. Chilmonik)
 - The Sanibel School
5. **Beautification Award** (presented by Dr. Kuckel)
 - High Tech Center Central
6. **Office Max Great Accomplishments & Outstanding Teacher Award** (presented by Mr. Teuber)
 - Marty Smith, Spring Creek Elementary School
 - Susan Donnelly, Colonial Elementary School
7. **Florida State Swim Meet** (presented by Mr. Chilmonik)
 - South Fort Myers High School - Robyn Strange, Coach
 - Madison Wagner, Student
 - Cypress Lake High School - Andrea Aspergren, Coach
 - Chelsea Franklin, Student
 - Estero High School - Jan Seluk, Coach
 - Taylor Dubrasky, Student
 - Cape Coral High School - Diane Kimble, Coach
 - Maida Turnadzic, Student
 - Fort Myers High School - Janeen Overman, Coach
 - Robby Kennedy, Student
 - Stephanie Martinez, Student
 - Amy Modglin, Student
 - Jon Nunez, Student
 - Diego Patino, Student
 - Robert Swanbeck, Student
 - Tyler Wilson, Student
 - Fort Myers High School Boys Swim Team

B. Resolutions – None.

C. Acknowledgement

Character Education Word for January (presented by Dr. Kuckel)

- Commitment: Binding yourself to a course of action despite obstacles.

Mrs. Dozier called a brief recess (6:40 – 6:43 P.M.) to allow those in the audience who wished to leave the meeting the opportunity to do so.

III. Comments Section

A. Public Comment

John Traube: requested that an ethics complaint against a School Board Member be addressed.

Debra Spielman: expressed displeasure that a marquee at one of the schools used the wording “Winter Break” instead of “Christmas Break.”

Antonia Jacobse: thanked the Board Members and Superintendent for participating in her 6th grade science fair project, the results of which would soon be available.

Sue Jacobse: informed the Board that her daughter, Antonia, would soon be taking on a history project involving the court case *Brown v Board of Education*. She also commended the District for its efforts in the area of desegregation.

Mark Castellano, TALC President: presented a Resolution adopted by the Teachers Association of Lee County in connection with the Property Tax Reform Amendment and urged voters to not support this Amendment when it comes forward for vote on January 29th.

Mrs. Dozier acknowledged the aforementioned individuals for addressing the Board as follows, respectively: stated that the School Board has no authority with regard to the ethics complaint and that, therefore, the matter would not be discussed again; stated that discussion regarding the use of "Winter Break" rather than "Christmas Break" would be included in a future workshop; stated that the Board would be happy to assist the student with her history project; expressed hope that voters would turn out to the polls on January 29th.

IV. Consent Action Items

Motion by Dr. Kuckel, seconded by Mr. Teuber, and carried 5-0 to approve the Consent Agenda.

A. Executive Services – Dr. James Browder

1. Approval of minutes of School Board Meetings:
 - December 11, 2007, Student Hearings
 - December 11, 2007, School Board Special Meeting
 - December 11, 2007, School Board Briefing Meeting
 - December 11, 2007, School Board Action Meeting

B. Academic Services – Dr. Constance Jones

1. Approval of the School Advisory Council Membership list from Pinewoods Elementary School.

C. Administrative Services – Mr. Michael McNerney

1. Approval of the acceptance of the audit reports for The Foundation for Lee County Public Schools, Inc., for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007.
2. Approval to change the authorized signers on the Internal Fund Accounts at Edgewood Academy and Villas Elementary, with two signatures required on these accounts; and authorization for the Superintendent to execute related documents.
3. Approval to reimburse the identified persons qualified for transportation of isolated/handicapped students to and/or from a public school facility or authorized school bus stop. The rate of \$.48 per mile per Florida Statute 1006.22 (1) (a) and 112.061, and Board Policy 7.02 (11) at a total cost of \$496.02 for the 21 days the child was transported.

D. Business Services – Mr. Lee Legutko

1. Approval to remove from the Official Property Records, 394 items listed on the computer printout titled Property Records By Bar Code/Tag Number (BI-009) dated December 10, 2007.
2. Approval of the Budget Amendment dated October 5, 2007, to amend the 2007- 2008 annual school budget.
3. Approval of the Monthly Budget Report for the period ending October 5, 2007.
4. Approval of the Budget Amendment dated November 2, 2007, to amend the 2007-2008 annual school budget.
5. Approval of the Monthly Budget Report for the period ending November 2, 2007.
6. Approval to piggy-back State Contract No. 880-001-06-1 for Audio Visual Equipment, awarded to various vendors from January 23, 2008, through January 22, 2009, at an estimated annual expenditure of \$100,000.
7. Approval to extend the piggy-back of State of Florida Contract No. 250-000-03-1 for the purchase of IT Hardware extended through June 30, 2008, at an estimated annual expenditure of \$200,000.
8. Approval to Award Bid No. B076628JM for custodial cleaning products to Pyramid II, Inc., and W.W. Grainger, Inc. for the period of January 16, 2008, through January 15, 2009, at an annual estimated expenditure of \$466,000.
9. Approval to award Bid No. B076626LO for window blinds on an as needed basis to The Blind Guys of SW FL, Inc., at an estimated annual expenditure of \$30,000 beginning January 8, 2008, through January 7, 2009, with renewal options for two additional one-year periods upon the written agreement of the vendor and the School Board and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.
10. Approval to reject Bid No. B076612SW for stage rigging inspections, repair and maintenance and authorization to solicit new bids utilizing revised specifications.
11. Approval of Bid No. B076631SW for purchase and repair of golf carts (new and used) on an as needed basis District-wide. It is recommended that multiple awards of this bid be approved to B&W Golf Carts, Inc.; Golf & Electric Vehicles, Inc., and The Cart Guys at an annual estimated expenditure of \$60,000 beginning January 8, 2008, through January 7, 2009, with renewal options for two additional one-year periods upon the written agreement of the vendors and the School Board and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.
12. Approval to renew Bid No. B066508SW for moving and storage services, renewal will be awarded to Schaap Moving Systems, Inc., for the period of January 8, 2008, through January 7, 2009, pursuant to the same terms and conditions as previously approved by the Board at an estimated annual expenditure of \$60,000. Summit Van Lines, Inc. will not be considered for renewal due to non-compliance of the bid specifications.
13. Approval of purchase requisitions in the total amount of \$171,345.99; and authorization for the issuance of the four (11) purchase orders as described:

- a. All Phase Electric Service of Florida: Payment to install wireless intercom with wireless doorbell and speakers with two (2) receivers at Ida S. Baker High School for Maintenance Services Department. (Requisition No. 276343)
- b. United Mechanical Inc.: Payment to remove old boiler and replace with two (2) new water heaters supplied by District at North Fort Myers Academy for the Arts School for Maintenance Services Department. (Requisition No. 276340)
- c. Bob Dean Supply Inc.: For the purchase of tool to repair Ingersoll-Rand duplex compressor at High Tech Central School for Maintenance Services Department. (Requisition No. 276612)
- d. Gulfpoint Construction Co., Inc.: For the purchase of new drinking fountain; price includes all plumbing, electric and new aluminum stand at Allen Park Elementary for Maintenance Services Department. (Requisition No. 276556)
- e. eInstruction: For the purchase of thirty-eight (38) wireless chalkboards and ten (10) 32 pad IR Classroom Performance Systems: initial training, follow-up tech support and software upgrades provided at no charge for East Lee County High. (Requisition No. 276527)
- f. Everyday Wireless, Inc.: Payment for fifty (50) TX-3 GPS-based real time school bus tracking kits; includes transceiver unit; standard whip antenna and sensor cable. Payment also includes two (2) serial to Ethernet Moxa boxes for Transportation Services. (Requisition No. 276905)
- g. Sanford Brands-mimio: Payment for thirty-one (31) mimio interactive wireless whiteboards and thirty-one (31) mimio wireless modules for Allen Park Elementary School. (Requisition No. 276715)
- h. Morrow and Morrow, Inc.: Payment for E-rate processing and consulting services for the 2008-09 funding year for Information Technology Support. (Requisition No. 276534)
- i. eInstruction: For the purchase of eight (8) wireless chalkboards and eight (8) 32-pad RF Classroom Performance Systems for Veterans Park Academy for the Arts. (Requisition No. 276791)
- j. eInstruction: For the purchase of three (3) wireless chalkboards for Patriot Elementary School. (Requisition No. 276958)
- k. Ferguson Enterprises, Inc.: For the purchase of two (2) 120-gallon commercial/industrial hot water heaters at North Fort Myers Academy for the Arts for Maintenance Services Department. (Requisition No. D62807)

E. Human Resources – Dr. Gregory Adkins

1. Approval of the general personnel recommendations including certificated, support and substitute staff, out-of-field appointments, and annual reappointments.

F. School Support Services – Mr. William Moore

1. Approval of the Standard Ground Lease Agreement between the School Board and Sunshine Towers, Inc., a Florida Corporation for a cellular tower to be placed at Gulf Elementary School; payment of \$2,000 per month by Sunshine Towers, Inc., a Florida Corporation for the term of the contract; and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.

V. Unfinished Business/Tabled Items – None.

VI. Superintendent's Recommendations

A. Good Cause – None.

B. School Bell Times for the 2008-09 School Year.

Motion by Mr. Teuber, seconded by Dr. Kuckel, and carried 5-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve school bell times for the 2008-09 school year, as presented.

C. 2008-09 Calendar for 12-Month Personnel.

Motion by Dr. Scricca, seconded by Dr. Kuckel, and carried 5-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the 2008-2009 calendar for 12-month personnel, as presented

D. Renew Bid No. B056412LO – Concrete Finishing and Block Work.

Motion by Mr. Teuber, seconded by Mr. Chilmonik, and carried 5-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the renewal of Bid No. B056412LO for concrete finishing and block work to Art Hansen Concrete for the final renewal period of January 17, 2008, through January 16, 2009, pursuant to the same terms and conditions as previously approved by the Board at an estimate annual expenditure of \$655,000; and to authorize the Superintendent to execute all documents.

E. Renew Piggy-back of Wichita, KS Public Schools Bid No. 02-04-011 for School Furniture.

Motion by Dr. Kuckel, seconded by Mr. Teuber, and carried 5-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to renew the option to piggy-back the Wichita, KS Public Schools Bid No. 02-04-011 for school furniture awarded to Virco, Inc. through January 1, 2009, at an estimated annual expenditure of \$1,000,000.

VII. Attorney's Recommendation

A. Approval of Proposed Settlement Agreement in K.M. and J.M. on behalf of M.M., a minor, vs. School Board of Lee County, Florida.

Motion by Mr. Teuber, seconded by Dr. Kuckel, and carried 5-0 to accept the Attorney's recommendation to accept the settlement agreement in the matter of K.M. and J.M. on behalf of M.M., a minor, vs. The School Board of Lee County, Florida, resulting in School District receipt of the amount of \$3,000.00

VII. Public Hearings

Dr. Browder presented his recommendations for this evening's public hearing items.

A. Revisions to Policy 1.19, Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee.

B. Revisions to Policy 9.02, Educational Facilities Planning.

C. Deletion of Policy 2.08, Status Report.

Mrs. Dozier recessed the Board Meeting and opened the Public Hearing at 7:07 P.M. She asked if anyone would like to address the Board regarding the three issues on the agenda for Public Hearing.

There being no requests to address the Board, Mrs. Dozier closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the Board Meeting at 7:08 P.M.

A. Revisions to Policy 1.19, Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee.

Motion by Dr. Kuckel, seconded by Mr. Teuber, and carried 5-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve revisions to Policy 1.19, Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee, to organize the responsibilities of the Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee (EDAC) into one policy.

B. Revisions to Policy 9.02, Educational Facilities Planning.

Motion by Mr. Teuber, seconded by Dr. Kuckel, and carried 5-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve revisions to Policy 9.02, Educational Facilities Planning, to organize the responsibilities of the Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee (EDAC) into one policy.

C. Deletion of Policy 2.08, Status Report.

Motion by Dr. Scricca, seconded by Dr. Kuckel, and carried 5-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the deletion of Policy 2.08, Status Report, to organize the responsibilities of the Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee (EDAC) into one policy.

VIII. Other Business

A. Board Members' Comments/Reports

Mr. Chilmonik: stated that the coming year will be a challenging one for the District with regard to funding; asked the Superintendent to look into the mechanisms that will be in place as the new administrative software package is implemented to ensure that procedures are followed as they relate to the master file and to then share that information with the Board.

Dr. Kuckel: no comments.

Mr. Teuber: no comments.

Dr. Scricca: expressed her regret at not being able to personally offer her congratulations to those individuals who were recognized at this evening's meeting.

Mrs. Dozier: wished good luck to the students who would be taking exams during the coming weeks; stated that January 29th will be a critical vote for education and encouraged everyone to get out to the polls.

B. Board Attorney's Comments/Reports – None.

C. Superintendent's Comments/Reports

Dr. Browder: stated that he would look into Mr. Chilmonik's concerns regarding the Administrative Software Project and then share his findings with the Board; acknowledged that the District is facing some challenges ahead but that all action taken would be in the best interests of the community, students and employees; stated that drivers' education

classes would be available on Saturdays beginning in February for those who qualify; congratulated Dr. Larry Tihen on being asked to serve as the keynote speaker at the Alabama Department of Education School Improvement Summit in Montgomery, Alabama, in May.

D. Next Scheduled Meetings of the Board:

- January 22, 2008, 2:30 p.m., School Board Briefing Meeting immediately following Student Hearings and a Special Board Meeting, if scheduled
- January 22, 2008, 6:00 p.m., School Board Action Meeting

IX. Adjournment

Motion by Dr. Kuckel, seconded by Mr. Teuber, and carried 5-0 to adjourn the January 8, 2008, School Board Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

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Jeanne S. Dozier, Chairman

ATTEST:

James W. Browder, Ed.D., Secretary and District Superintendent

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