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THE SCHOOL BOARD OF LEE COUNTY
Special School Board Meeting - MINUTES
(School Board Meeting Room, 2855 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, FL)
Monday, May 11, 2009

Attending

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

I. Opening Exercises

A. Call to Order

The School Board of Lee County, Florida, met on Monday, May 11, 2009, in the School Board Meeting Room for a Special School Board Meeting. Board Chair Jane Kuckel presided and called the meeting to order at 3:30 P.M.

Motion by Dr. Scricca, seconded by Mrs. Dozier, and carried 5-0 to adopt the agenda as the Order of Business.

II. Special Presentations

A. Resolutions

1. National School Nurse Day: May 6, 2009 (*Mr. Teuber*)

Motion by Mr. Teuber, seconded by Dr. Scricca, and carried 5-0 to adopt the Resolution proclaiming May 6, 2009, as National School Nurse Day.

C. Acknowledgement (*Mr. Chilmonik*)

Character Word for May: Self-Control – The managing of your actions and emotions.

III. Public Comment

Speakers and the topics they addressed were as follows:

Jennifer Myers, Dr. Joshua Myers, Jill Kessler, Richard Brown, Janie L. Hemenway, Dr. Andrew Kurtz, George Mitchell, Lydia Black, Jim Griffith, Greg Brobran (sp?), Lisa Shay: spoke in support of elementary art and music programs.

John Traube: budget matters

Sue Jacobse: adequate funding for education

Dr. Kuckel: stated that the Board values the arts as part of the curriculum and agrees with comments made by speakers; stated that every area of the District has been examined and will be impacted by reductions; added that proposed cuts to art and music have not been disproportionate

in comparison to other areas; encouraged those present to remain for the budget workshop immediately following the conclusion of the Special Board Meeting; addressed comments regarding the cancellation of last week's meeting and the time of today's meeting.

IV. Consent Action Items

Motion by Mrs. Dozier, *seconded* by Dr. Scricca, and *carried 5-0* to approve the Consent Agenda.

A. Executive Services – Dr. James W. Browder

1. Approval of minutes of School Board Meetings:
 - April 21, 2009, School Board Action Meeting

B. Academic Services – Dr. Constance Jones

1. Approval of the renewal of the Contractual Agreement with the Lee County School Board and the Southwest Florida Marine Institute to provide an educational alternative day program for the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at no cost to the District. Approval authorizes the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.
2. Approval to renew the Cooperative Agreement with the Lee County Sheriff's Office and the Lee County School Board to meet the individual education, security and treatment needs of youth and young adults while attending the Lee County Sheriff's Correctional facility for the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at no additional cost to the District.
3. Approval to renew the Cooperative Agreement with the Southwest Florida Addiction Services, Inc. (Vince Smith Center) and the Lee County School Board to meet the individual education, security and treatment needs of youth while attending the Vince Smith Center for the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at no cost to the District.
4. Approval of the renewal of the Contractual Agreement with the Lee County School Board and the PACE Center for Girls to provide an educational alternative day program for the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010. Approval authorizes the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.

C. Administrative Services – Mr. Michael McNerney (None)

D. Business Services

1. Approval to remove from the Official Property Records, 278 items listed on the attached spreadsheet report titled Property Records Asset Retirement by Bar Code/Tag Number.
2. Approval of the Monthly Budget Report for the period ending April 1, 2009.
3. Approval of the Budget Amendment dated April 1, 2009 to amend the 2008-09 annual school budget.
4. Approval of the Certification for the 2006-07 Classrooms for Kids Program which allows the District to use \$1,537,737 in State Lottery Bonds to partially fund the school construction projects listed.
5. Approval of Bid No. B096786JM for paper for Printing Services to Mac Paper, Inc., Unisource Worldwide and Xpedx Paper & Graphics at an estimated annual expenditure

of \$225,000 beginning May 11, 2009 through November 11, 2009 and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.

6. Approval of Bid No. B096757LO for aluminum walkway covers to Perfection Architectural Systems, Inc. as primary award and Architectural Metals of SW FL, Inc. as secondary award at an estimated annual expenditure of \$200,000 beginning May 11, 2009 through May 10, 2010, with renewal options for two additional one-year periods upon the written agreement of the vendors and the Board and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.
7. Approval to award Bid No. B096778LO for water line replacement at Diplomat Elementary School to Sackett Plumbing, Inc. having the lowest response and meeting specifications for a total price of \$29,000 and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.
8. Approval to piggy-back State of Florida Department of Transportation RFP-DOT-06/07-9012- JP for substance abuse management services awarded to FirstLab through May 10, 2010, at an estimated annual expenditure of \$30,000 and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.
9. Approval of purchase requisitions in the total amount of \$102,905.52; and authorization for the issuance of the seven (7) purchase orders as described.
10. Approval to renew Bid No. B086636SW for inspections of stage rigging district-wide for the period of June 2, 2009 through June 1, 2010 awarded to Heritage Product Resources, Inc., Hile's Curtain Specialties, Inc. and Tom Kat Rigging LLC pursuant to the same terms and conditions as previously approved by the Board at an estimated annual expenditure of \$50,000.
11. Approval to renew Bid No. B086671SW for physicals for school bus drivers for the period of June 2, 2009 through June 1, 2010 awarded to Health Services of Central Florida, Inc. pursuant to the same terms and conditions as previously approved by the Board at an estimated annual expenditure of \$50,000 and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.
12. Approval to renew Bid No. B076575SW for uniform shirts (polo style) for Food & Nutrition Services for the final period of June 18, 2009 through June 17, 2010 to Screenprint Plus, Inc. pursuant to the same terms and conditions as previously approved by the Board at an estimated annual expenditure of \$25,500 and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.

E. Human Resources – Dr. Gregory Adkins

1. Approval of the general personnel recommendations including certificated, and support and substitute staff.
2. Approval of the 2009-10 Calendar for 12-Month Personnel.

F. School Support Services – Mr. William Moore

1. Approval of the Agreement to Convey Utility Easement to Florida Governmental Utility Authority at Lehigh Elementary School.
2. Approval of the Interlocal Agreement with Lee County for Sidewalk Construction at Harns Marsh Elementary School at an estimated cost to the District of \$16,323.00.

V. Unfinished Business/Tabled Items (None)**VI. Superintendent's Recommendations****A. Good Cause (None)****B. Increase Total Project Cost for James Stephens International Academy.**

Motion by Mr. Chilmonik, seconded by Mr. Teuber, and carried 5-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve increasing the cost for James Stephens International Academy by \$861,005.00 for a total project cost of \$15,566,005.00; and authorize the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.

C. Increase Total Project Cost for East Zone Staging School to G. Weaver Hipps Elementary School.

Motion by Dr. Scricca, seconded by Mr. Chilmonik, and carried 5-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve increasing the cost for East Zone Staging School Conversion to G. Weaver Hipps Elementary School by \$1,375,000.00 for a total project cost of \$1,875,000.00; and authorize the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.

D. Certificate of Final Inspection for Treeline Elementary School.

Motion by Mrs. Dozier, seconded by Dr. Scricca, and carried 5-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation that the Board accept the Certificate of Final Inspection for Treeline Elementary School dated August 1, 2008, and final payment in the amount of \$721,130.41 to Target Builders; and authorize the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.

VII. Attorney's Recommendations – Mr. Keith Martin**A. Change of Board Meeting Dates.**

Motion by Dr. Scricca and seconded by Mrs. Dozier to accept the Attorney's recommendation to remove the May 5, 2009, meeting from the schedule of regular meetings and replace it with a regular School Board Meeting on May 26, 2009, at 3:30 P.M.

Amendment to the Motion by Dr. Scricca, seconded by Mrs. Dozier, and carried 5-0 to change the starting time of the May 26, 2009, to 6:00 P.M.

Main Motion carried 5-0.

VIII. Other Business**A. Board Members' Comments/Reports**

Mr. Chilmonik: stated that he agreed with speakers who advocated for total funding of the art/music programs; encouraged those present to attend the budget workshop; distributed a handout to the other Board Members and Superintendent entitled: *Suggested Revisions to Superintendent contract to lessen School Board risk and land purchase examples* (a copy of the handout will be filed with the official minutes).

Mrs. Dozier: thanked all those who sent get well wishes following her recent surgery; apologized for any inconvenience caused by today's meeting time; stated that the Board has looked at every possible way to maintain all programs and that it does not want to cut art

and music; stated that there has not been a disproportionate impact on the arts; added that there is no mandate that says the District must have arts programs.

Dr. Scricca: stated that there is not enough funding to support all programs and a decision must be made as to where to make cuts; encouraged everyone to remain for the budget workshop; expressed a desire to develop a cultural body of leaders to assist the District in raising money for the arts programs in the schools.

Mr. Teuber: stated that there is not enough funding from the legislature to provide all programs so it is necessary to examine ways to manage with less money; stated that art and music programs should be made part of the core curriculum so that they will then be funded the same as other core subjects; stated that the budget will be examined during the budget workshop, which should provide a better picture of what is going on.

Dr. Kuckel: none.

B. Board Attorney's Comments/Reports (None)

C. Superintendent's Comments/Reports

Dr. Browder: clarified that while art and music are included in the core curriculum, they do not count in the Class Size Amendment.

D. Next Scheduled Meetings of the Board:

- May 11, 2009, 3:30 p.m., School Board Budget Workshop (*immediately following School Board Special Meeting*)
- May 26, 2009, 6:00 p.m., School Board Action Meeting

IX. Adjournment

Motion Dr. Scricca, seconded by Mrs. Teuber, and carried 5-0 to adjourn the May 11, 2009, Special School Board Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 4:43 P.M.

Jane E. Kuckel, PhD, Board Chair

ATTEST:

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

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