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To be a world-class school system.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF LEE COUNTY
School Board Meeting - MINUTES
(School Board Meeting Room, 2855 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, FL)
Tuesday, May 4, 2010

Attending

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

I. Opening Exercises

A. Call to Order

The School Board of Lee County, Florida, met on Tuesday, May 4, 2010, in the School Board Meeting Room for a Regular School Board Meeting. Board Chairman Steven Teuber presided and called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Motion by Dr. Scricca, seconded by Mr. Chilmonik, and carried 4-0 to adopt the agenda as the Order of Business.

Mr. Teuber acknowledged Mrs. Dozier's absence from the meeting.

B. Invocation (Dr. Scricca)

C. Presentation of Colors / Pledge of Allegiance (Mr. Chilmonik)

- Cadet Colonel Phillip Sierocinski of Ida S. Baker High School JROTC
- Command Sergeant Major Vernon Cook, JRTOC Army Instructor

II. Special Presentations

A. Recognitions

1. Outstanding Subject Area Teachers / 2009-2010 (Dr. Scricca)
 - Fifty-seven Lee County School District Teachers
2. JROTC Marksmanship Team (Dr. Scricca)
 - South Fort Myers High School
3. Healthy Schools Program (Dr. Kuckel)
 - Dr. Carrie D. Robinson Littleton Elementary School
 - Mariner Middle School
 - North Fort Myers High School
4. School Nurse of the Year - 2010 (Dr. Kuckel)
 - Lori Demeter

B. Resolutions

- 1. National School Nurse Day: May 12, 2010

Motion by Dr. Kuckel, seconded by Mr. Chilmonik, and carried 4-0 to adopt the Resolution proclaiming May 12, 2010, as National School Nurse Day.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, children are the future and, by investing in them today, we are ensuring our world for tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, all students have a right to have their health needs safely met while in the school setting; and

WHEREAS, children today face more complex and life-threatening health problems requiring care in school; and

WHEREAS, school nurses are professional nurses that advance the well-being, academic success, and life-long achievements of all students by providing a critical safety net for our nation’s most fragile children; and

WHEREAS, school nurses act as a liaison to the school community, parents and health care providers on behalf of children’s health; and

WHEREAS, school nurses support the health and educational success of children and youth by developing and providing programs and leadership; and

WHEREAS, school nurses understand the link between health and learning and are in a position to make a positive difference for children every day;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The School Board of Lee County, Florida, joins the National Association of School Nurses in celebrating and acknowledging the accomplishments of school nurses everywhere and hereby proclaims May 12, 2010, as

NATIONAL SCHOOL NURSE DAY

“Vision, Voice, Visibility: Charting the Course for a Healthy Future”

Adopted at a regular meeting of The School Board of Lee County, Florida

This Fourth day of May 2010

- C. Acknowledgement** (*Cadet Captain Anna Alarcon, South Fort Myers High School*)
Character Word for May: Self-Control – The managing of your actions and emotions.
- D. Special Presentations to the Board** (None)
- E. Staff Presentation to the Board** (None)

III. Public Comment

Speakers and the topics they addressed:

John Traube: possible .25 mill tax increase

Don Armstrong: Agenda Item VI.B.; transportation audit

Karen Taylor: educational services provided to her son (Mrs. Taylor submitted her son’s Student Planner and Handbook and \$1.00, both of which are on file with the official minutes)

Mark Castellano, President of the Teachers Association of Lee County: “Pink Hearts, Not Pink Slips” campaign (A handout provided to the Board is on file with the official minutes)

Mr. Teuber stated that the .25 mill tax increase is being mandated by Tallahassee, not the Board; stated that the purpose of Item VI.B. is to provide approval for the District to perform the recommendations contained in the survey; stated that the District provides programs that address all students.

IV. Consent Action Items

Mr. Chilmonik requested that Item IV.D.3. be pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion during the Unfinished Business/Tabled Items portion of the meeting agenda.

***Motion** by Dr. Scricca, **seconded** by Mr. Chilmonik, and **carried 4-0** to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item IV.D.3.*

A. Executive Services – Dr. James W. Browder

1. Approval of minutes of School Board Meetings:
 - April 20, 2010, School Board Student Hearings
 - April 20, 2010, School Board Special Meeting
 - April 20, 2010, School Board Briefing Meeting
 - April 20, 2010, School Board Action Meeting

B. Academic Services – Dr. Constance Jones

1. Approval of these two grant proposals at no additional cost to the District. Approval authorizes the Superintendent to execute related documents, and to approve normal and customary accounting, bookkeeping, and payroll processes to maintain continuity of federal and state grant expenditures during fiscal year changes and other technical transitions. Any processes so approved by the Superintendent will represent best practices, and will conform to funding agency regulations.
2. Approval of the waiver requests submitted by Allen Park Elementary, Alva Middle, Caloosa Elementary, Cape Elementary, Challenger Middle, Cypress Lake High, Diplomat Elementary, Dr. Carrie Robinson Littleton Elementary, Dunbar High, East Lee County High, Fort Myers Beach Elementary, Fort Myers High, G. Weaver Hipps Elementary, Gulf Elementary, Hancock Creek Elementary, Hector A. Cafferata Elementary, Island Coast High, J. Colin English Elementary, James Stephens International Academy, Lehigh Senior High, Mariner High, Mariner Middle, North Fort Myers Academy for the Arts, North Fort Myers High, Oak Hammock Middle, Orangewood Elementary, Patriot Elementary, Pelican Elementary, Pine Island Elementary, Rayma C. Page Elementary, River Hall Elementary, Riverdale High, South Fort Myers High, Tanglewood Elementary, Three Oakes Elementary, Three Oaks Middle, Tice Elementary, Trafalgar Elementary, Trafalgar Middle, Treeline Elementary, Tropic Isles Elementary, and Varsity Lakes Middle for the specified exceptions to the TALC contract.
3. Approval of the renewal of the contractual agreement with the Lee County School Board and the AMikids Southwest Florida to provide an educational alternative day program for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 at no cost to the District. Approval authorizes the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.
4. 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, 2010 to June 30, 2011, at no additional cost to the District.
5. Approval of the facility operating agreement with Global Youth Services and the Lee County School Board to meet the individual education, security and treatment needs of youth and young adults while attending Global Youth Services for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, at no additional cost to the District.

6. 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, 2010 to June 30, 2011, at no cost to the District.
7. 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, 2010 to June 30, 2011. Approval authorizes the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.

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

D. Business Services

1. Approval of the Monthly Budget Report for the period ending March 31, 2010.
2. Approval of the Budget Amendment dated March 31, 2010 to amend the 2009-10 annual school budget.
3. Acceptance of Audit Report No. 2010-186, Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Students and Student Transportation, for fiscal year ended June 30, 2009.
4. Approval of expenditures estimated at \$18,012 for out-of-state travel for School District employees to pursue the development, business, and leadership needs of the School District. Approval authorizes the Superintendent to also provide reimbursement for incidental travel costs, and to execute related documents.
5. Approval of the anticipated expenditure of \$30,000 for State of Florida Department of Transportation RFP-DOT-06/07-9012-JP for substance abuse management services awarded to FirstLab through May 9, 2011; and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.
6. Approval to renew Bid No. B086636SW for inspections of stage rigging District-wide for the final period of June 2, 2010 through June 1, 2011 awarded to Heritage Product Resources, Inc.; Hile's Curtain Specialties, Inc.; and Tom Kat Rigging LLC, at an estimated annual expenditure of \$100,000 pursuant to the same terms and conditions as previously approved by the Board; and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.
7. Approval to renew Bid No. B086671SW for physicals for school bus drivers for the period of June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011 awarded to Health Services of Central Florida, Inc. at an estimated annual expenditure of \$50,000 pursuant to same terms and conditions as previously approved by the Board; and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.
8. Approval of the purchase requisitions in the total amount of \$330,609.92; and authorization for the issuance of the seven (7) purchase orders as described.
9. Approval of the renewal agreement with the Florida Department of Education to sponsor the 2010 Summer Food Service Program for needy children for the period June 17, 2010 through August 17, 2010. It is estimated that \$8,000.00 in indirect cost revenue will be returned to the District.

E. Human Resources – Dr. Gregory Adkins

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

F. School Support Services – Mr. William Moore

1. Approval of the Certificate of Final Inspection for Orange River Elementary Re-Roof dated March 17, 2010 and final payment in the amount of \$43,825.52 to Crowther Roofing; and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.

V. Unfinished Business/Tabled Items**Item IV.D.3. – Acceptance of Audit Report No. 2010-186**

Motion by Mr. Chilmonik and seconded by Dr. Kuckel to accept the Superintendent's recommendation that the Board accept Audit Report No. 2010-186, Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Students and Student Transportation, for fiscal year ended June 30, 2009.

Mr. Chilmonik opined that this is one of the best audit reports he has seen in a long time and complimented staff on the good job.

Motion carried 4-0.

VI. Superintendent's Recommendations**A. Good Cause (None)****B. Total Project Cost for the Educational Facilities Survey Recommendations for the East Zone Schools.**

Motion by Dr. Scricca and seconded by Mr. Chilmonik to accept the Superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve the total project cost of \$4,200,000.00 for East Zone Schools Survey Recommendations and to authorize the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.

Following discussion, Dr. Browder stated that he would provide the Board with a list of items included in the project.

Motion carried 4-0.

C. Job Descriptions and Positions for Business Process Analyst and Director, Enterprise Resource Project.

Motion by Mr. Chilmonik and seconded by Dr. Scricca to accept the Superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve the position of Director, Enterprise Resource Project, pay grade 14, the job description, and the incorporation of the new position into the Administrative Salary Schedule; and that the Board approve two positions of Business Process Analyst, pay grade 12, the job description, and the incorporation of the new positions into the Supervisory, Technical and Confidential Salary Schedule.

Mr. Chilmonik stated that he could not support this recommendation even though there is no additional cost to the District, as the positions will be funded from currently vacant positions. He added that he felt other employees should be called upon to assume the responsibilities in light of the current budget situation.

Motion carried 3-1, with Mr. Chilmonik casting the vote in opposition to the Motion.

D. Ranking of Construction Managers for East Zone Survey Renovations and Remodels.

Motion by Dr. Kuckel, seconded by Dr. Scricca, and carried 4-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve the following ranking of Construction Management firms to provide services for East Zone Survey Renovations and Remodel: (1) Gulfpoint Construction Company, Inc.; (2) Wright Group, Inc.; (3) Lodge Construction, Inc.; (4) Kraft Construction Company, Inc.; (5) J.L. Wallace, Inc.; and authorize the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents. Further, in the event that negotiations with the top-ranked firm are not successful, that the Board authorize proceeding with negotiations and execution of a contract according to the final ranking.

VII. Attorney's Recommendations – Mr. Keith Martin (None)**VIII. Public Hearing (None)****IX. Other Business****A. Board Members' Comments/Reports**

Mr. Chilmonik: clarified that he did not support the \$34 million software project; stated that the Board does have a say with regard to tax increases; stated that the results of the transportation audit will be available and will contain information affecting the budget.

Dr. Kuckel: mentioned some recent accomplishments within the School District – Tice Elementary School's receipt of a \$40,000 grant from the Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Program; awards received by Practical Nursing students at the Florida Health Occupations Students of America State Leadership Conference; recognition earned by 60 Lee County middle school students in Duke University's Talent Identification Program; and recognition of *Expressions*, Cape Coral High School's literary magazine.

Dr. Scricca: announced that Lehigh Elementary School would be conducting a Young Author's Festival this week; stated that she attended a recent Sons of the American Revolution luncheon where District students received scholarships, the dedication of the Community Forest at Dr. Carrie D. Robinson Littleton Elementary School, the Cape Coral Mayor's Scholarship Banquet, the IB Authorization Visit at Lexington Middle School, and the Take Stock in Children Luncheon where 32 of the District's students received scholarships; offered congratulations to Randall Scott for receiving the James A. Adams Lee County Teacher of the Year Award for law-related education.

Mr. Teuber: stated that the District has moved the software project forward for the past seven years; stated that the District is mandated to pass a budget and that if the Board does not pass the .25 mills, penalties would be assessed on the District; stated that he attended the Cape Coral Mayor's Scholarship Banquet, the Take Stock in Children Luncheon, the Law Week Awards Luncheon, the Cape Coral Chamber of Commerce Excellence in Education Awards, the FHSAA Board of Directors Meeting where Sam Sirianni was posthumously inducted into the Hall of Fame, and a meeting of the Horizon Council.

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

Dr. Browder: stated that the Take Stock in Children Luncheon was outstanding; provided information on the Hunger Task Force project that will occur during the summer; observed that the District would be in turmoil without its terrific teachers; opined that the year ahead will be horrific and that 2012 would be worse once the stimulus money is no longer available.

D. Next Scheduled Meetings of the Board:

- May 18, 2010, 2:30 P.M.*, School Board Briefing Meeting (**Immediately following Student Hearings and/or a School Board Special Meeting, if scheduled*)
- May 18, 2010, 6:00 P.M., School Board Action Meeting

X. Adjournment

Motion by Dr. Scricca, *seconded* by Dr. Kuckel, and *carried 4-0* to adjourn the May 4, 2010, School Board Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Steven K. Teuber, J.D., Board Chairman

ATTEST:

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

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