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**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF LEE COUNTY**  
**School Board Briefing Meeting – MINUTES**  
**(School Board Meeting Room, 2855 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, FL)**  
**Thursday, July 29, 2010**

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**Attending**

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

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Dr. Scricca called the Briefing Meeting of July 29, 2010, to order at 3:02 P.M.

**A. Item(s) with Guests** (*None*)

**B. Board Members**

1. Discussion: 2011 Legislative Platform

Mr. Bob Cerra, the School District's Legislative Consultant, reviewed the discussion draft of the 2011 Legislative Priorities (*a copy of which is included in the meeting packet*). He highlighted and outlined the major changes from last year's document, noting that the second bullet under the first section titled Provide for Adequate Funding for Public Schools Operations as required by the Constitution is new, as are sections titled Teacher Performance Pay and Teacher Evaluation Systems and Re-establish Credibility of State Testing Program.

Discussion arose pertaining to differentiated diplomas, and it was agreed to include a priority related to this in the next draft, which will be brought to the Board at the August 31<sup>st</sup> Briefing Meeting. It was noted that something should be included to encourage an international study of this topic, as well as a provision for funding.

2. Special Areas of Board Involvement / Reports (*No discussion*)

**C. Academic Services** – Dr. Constance Jones

1. Student Progression Plan 2010/11

Dr. Browder highlighted some of the changes to this year's document including:

General Section

- Page 5/Report Cards: added more detail from Florida Statute
- Page 8/Educational Opportunities for Military Children: added as a result of new legislation
- Page 11/Elementary Requirements: added more detail from Florida Statute pertaining to age requirements for kindergarten and first grade

Middle School Section

- Page 20/Middle School Progression Plan: added a definition of secondary schools

- Page 21/Promotion: added new high school course requirements regarding end-of-course exams and graduation and deleted minimum course requirement to be promoted to the next grade
  - Page 22/Credit Recovery Opportunities: added this new section  
High School Section
  - Page 26/High School Student Progression Plan: added a definition of secondary schools
  - Page 27: reorganized the sections for clarity
  - Page 26-27/General Requirements for High School Graduation: added new high school graduation requirements and end-of-course exam requirements
2. Middle School Program of Studies 2010/11  
Dr. Browder noted that ESE and AVID courses have been added.
  3. High School Program of Studies 2010/11  
Dr. Browder that all Majors and obsolete Career and Technical courses have been deleted; and that courses that will lead to industry certification and AICE courses have been added.

Dr. Browder informed that Board that these three documents are scheduled to come to them at a Public Hearing at the August 10<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

**D. Administrative/Support Services – Mr. Michael McNerney**

1. Change Orders – June 2010

A packet containing the information was included in the meeting packets for the Board Members' information and review.

**E. Business Services – Mrs. Greta Campbell / Dr. Ami Desamours (*None*)**

**F. Human Resources – Dr. Greg Adkins (*None*)**

**G. Executive Services – Dr. James Browder (*None*)**

**H. Public Comment (*None*)**

**I. Board Attorney's / Superintendent's Comments**

**Mr. Martin** (*None*)

**Dr. Browder** noted that yesterday's session with Dr. Rolewski went very well and that he is very pleased with the direction in which the District is headed.

Dr. Scricca adjourned the July 29, 2010, Briefing Meeting at 3:52 P.M.

ATTEST:

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

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