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THE SCHOOL BOARD OF LEE COUNTY
School Board Meeting - MINUTES
(School Board Meeting Room, 2855 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, FL)
Thursday, October 7, 2010

Attending:

Mr. Steven K. Teuber, J.D., Chairman Dr. Lawrence D. Tihen, Secretary and Interim Superintendent
Mrs. Jeanne S. Dozier, Member Mr. Keith B. Martin, Board Attorney
Dr. Jane E. Kuckel, Member Mrs. Donna Lesansky, Recording Secretary

Absent:

Dr. Elinor C. Scricca, Vice Chairman (family commitment)

I. Opening Exercises

A. Call to Order

The School Board of Lee County, Florida, met on Thursday, October 7, 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 4:00 P.M.

Mr. Teuber noted that Item IV.D.7. was revised prior to this afternoon's meeting to reflect that there are four purchase orders coming forward for approval, and that Item IV.F.1. was pulled from the agenda prior to this afternoon's meeting.

In response to Mr. Teuber's request, Mr. Martin provided justification for the addition of his Good Cause item. Mr. Teuber stated that as presiding officer he determined there is good cause to add the item to the agenda.

Motion by Mrs. Dozier, seconded by Dr. Kuckel, and carried 3-0 to adopt the agenda as the Order of Business.

B. Invocation (Mrs. Dozier)

C. Presentation of Colors and Pledge of Allegiance (Mrs. Dozier)

- Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Bryan Sutton, Fort Myers High School JROTC
- LT Colonel Don Barnett, JRTOC Army Instructor, Fort Myers High School JROTC

II. Special Presentations

A. Recognitions

1. ASBO Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting (Mrs. Dozier)
 - Financial Accounting Department
2. GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting (Mrs. Dozier)
 - Financial Accounting Department

B. Resolutions

1. National Bullying Prevention Month: October 2010

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, childhood bullying is a significant problem nationwide that can affect all children, including those with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, bullying can elicit feelings of loneliness, sadness, fear, and depression; and

WHEREAS, bullying can cause school absenteeism, mental and physical stress, poor school performance, low self-esteem, and, in some cases, school violence; and

WHEREAS, statistics reveal that more than 160,000 children in the United States miss school each day as a result of being bullied, and that approximately 3.2 million children are victims of bullying every year; and

WHEREAS, bullying is a community problem, requiring that students, teachers, parents, and other adults work together to create a climate that does not tolerate bullying; and

WHEREAS, when adults and children unite to reduce bullying, communities will see safer school environments with students achieving at their highest potential;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The School Board of Lee County, Florida, in an effort to encourage the Lee County community to work together to raise awareness of the prevalence of bullying and the impact of bullying on all children, hereby proclaims the month of October 2010 as

**National Bullying Prevention Month
“The End of Bullying Begins With Me”**

Adopted at a regular meeting of The School Board of Lee County, Florida
This Seventh day of October 2010

Motion by Mrs. Dozier, seconded by Dr. Kuckel, and carried 3-0 to adopt the Resolution proclaiming October 2010, as National Bullying Prevention Month.

2. Disability History and Awareness Weeks: October 1-15, 2010

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the 2008 Florida Legislature created a statute requiring school boards to designate the first two weeks in October each year as “Disability History and Awareness Weeks”; and

WHEREAS, the educators of The School District of Lee County recognize that each student is unique, learns differently, and, therefore, learns better if teaching is tailored to individual abilities and interests; and

WHEREAS, the educators of The School District of Lee County recognize the need to expand student knowledge, understanding, and awareness of individuals with disabilities, the history of disability, and the disability rights movement; and

WHEREAS, by the efforts of the educators to promote disability history and awareness instruction in The School District of Lee County, there will be better treatment for individuals with disabilities and increased attention to preventing bullying or harassment of students with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, by the efforts of the educators to promote disability history and awareness instruction in The School District of Lee County,

encouragement will be provided to individuals with disabilities to develop increased self-esteem, resulting in more individuals with disabilities gaining pride in being an individual with a disability, obtaining postsecondary education, entering the workforce, and contributing to their community; and

WHEREAS, Disability History and Awareness Weeks will reaffirm the local, state, and federal commitment to the inclusion in society and equal opportunity for all individuals with disabilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The School Board of Lee County, Florida, hereby proclaims October 1-15, 2010, as

Disability History and Awareness Weeks

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

This Seventh day of October 2010

Motion by Dr. Kuckel, seconded by Mrs. Dozier, and carried 3-0 to adopt the Resolution proclaiming October 1-15, 2010, as Disability History and Awareness Weeks.

3. National School Lunch Week: October 11-15, 2010

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program continues to play a vital role in shaping the health and nutrition patterns of Florida's children; and

WHEREAS, the Lee County School Lunch Program has been aggressive in the promotion and implementation of nutrition principles outlined in the Dietary Guidelines for Americans; and

WHEREAS, the Lee County School Lunch Program purchases and promotes the increased consumption of high-quality, nutritious agricultural products from Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Lee County School Lunch Program serves the children in Lee County schools by providing meals that enhance their readiness to learn and to succeed in school; and

WHEREAS, the Lee County Food and Nutrition Services Department has implemented a county-wide Healthy Choices Program to fight the national adolescent obesity epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the Lee County Food and Nutrition Services Department conducts a nutritional analysis of every item served in each reimbursable meal to ensure healthy eating habits; and

WHEREAS, the Lee County School Lunch Program served over 11 **MILLION** meals during the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Lee County Food Service Association, the Florida School Nutrition Association, and the School Nutrition Association collaborate with other organizations dedicated to the educational success of America's children by creating public awareness of the impact of hunger on a child's ability to learn;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The School Board of Lee County, Florida, hereby proclaims the week of October 11-15, 2010, as

National School Lunch Week

"School Lunch – What's On Your Tray?"

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Motion by Dr. Kuckel, seconded by Mrs. Dozier, and carried 3-0 to adopt the Resolution proclaiming October 11-15, 2010, as National School Lunch Week.

4. National School Bus Safety Week: October 18-22, 2010

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The School District of Lee County has over 678 school buses in service, serving more than 45,000 children each day; and

WHEREAS, school transportation personnel accomplish one of the most important jobs in the educational system, that of transporting students to school ready to learn and then back home safely each school day; and

WHEREAS, school bus safety training and awareness at all levels of our educational system and community are crucial for the continued safe transportation of students; and

WHEREAS, activities in our schools and our community highlight the importance of school bus safety; and

WHEREAS, school transportation personnel contribute daily - directly and indirectly - to the education of Lee County students; and

WHEREAS, the School Board urges all stakeholders to show their support of National School Bus Safety Week by following all traffic laws and taking extra precautions when school buses are present;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The School Board of Lee County, Florida, in recognition of the daily contributions of all transportation personnel and to promote safety in student transportation, hereby proclaims the week of October 18-22, 2010, as

National School Bus Safety Week

“Stop on Red, Kids Ahead!”

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

This Seventh day of October 2010

Motion by Dr. Kuckel, seconded by Mrs. Dozier, and carried 3-0 to adopt the Resolution proclaiming October 18-22, 2010, as National School Bus Safety Week.

C. Acknowledgement (Dr. Kuckel)

Character Word for October: Respect

D. Special Presentations to the Board (None)

E. Staff Presentation to the Board (None)

III. Public Comment

Speakers and the topics they addressed:

Sue Jacobse: school choice / neighborhood schools

Antonia Jacobse: congratulated Dr Tihen

Mr. Teuber thanked Mrs. Jacobse and Antonia for being such ardent supporters of public education; stated that the District has some challenges ahead but that by working together under Dr. Tihen’s leadership, they will be faced head on.

IV. Consent Action Items

Motion by Dr. Kuckel, seconded by Mrs. Dozier, and carried 3-0 to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

A. Executive Services – Dr. Lawrence D. Tihen

1. Approval of minutes of School Board Meetings:
 - September 14, 2010, School Board Special Meeting to hold Public Hearing for FY11 Final Budget
 - September 14, 2010, School Board Briefing Meeting
 - September 14, 2010, School Board Action Meeting
2. Approval of the following changes to the Finance and Curriculum Advisory Committees: resignation of Susan Jacobse from the Curriculum Advisory Committee and appointment to the Construction Advisory Committee; appointment of Dr. Judy Wilkerson to the Curriculum Advisory Committee; and appointment of Chuck Reynolds to a vacant seat in District 3 on the Finance Advisory Committee, effective October 7, 2010 through the date of the regular School Board meeting in September 2011 at which the Board takes action to appoint members to the Board Advisory Committees

B. Academic Services – Dr. Constance Jones

1. Approval of the Interlocal Agreement with The City of Cape Coral for the continuation of the School Resource Officer (SRO) Program for the period of August 11, 2010 to August 10, 2011, at a cost of \$438,350.
2. Approval of four 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.

C. Administrative Services

1. Approval to change the authorized signers on the Internal Fund Account at Sunshine Elementary with two signatures required on this account, one of which must be administrative; and authorization for the Superintendent to execute related documents.

D. Business Services

1. Approval to remove from the Official Property Records, 731 items listed on the attached report titled Property Records Asset Retirement by Bar Code/Tag Number.
2. Approval to award Bid No. B106909RL for office supplies for District Warehouse Operations to AFP Industries, Inc.; Acco Brands USA, LLC d/b/a GBC; Amitesh, Inc. d/b/a Ace Office Supplies; MAC Paper; Pyramid School Products; Quill Corporation; School Specialty; Smith Office & Computer Supply; and Standard Stationery Supply Co., as outlined on the bid tabulation sheet for the period of October 7, 2010 through October 6, 2011, at an estimated annual expenditure of \$300,000 and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.
3. Approval to award Bid No. B106910RL for art supplies for District Warehouse Operations to AFP Industries, Inc.; Atlantic Pottery Supply; Bennett Pottery; DGS

Educational Products; Pyramid School Products; Quill Corporation; School Specialty; and Standard Stationery Supply Co., as outlined on the bid tabulation for the period of October 7, 2010 through October 6, 2011, at an estimated annual expenditure of \$200,000 and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.

4. Approval to piggy-back Collier County Schools Bid No. 118-6/10 for the purchase of single stream recycling services awarded to Sunshine Recycling Services of S.W. Florida, LLC for the period of November 1, 2010 through October 31, 2011 at an estimated expenditure of \$100,000 and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.
5. Approval to piggy-back State of Florida Contract No. 600-000-11-1 for the purchase of multifunction products, printers, facsimile equipment, scanners, related software, supplies and services, awarded to multiple vendors, for the period of October 7, 2010 through October 6, 2011 at an estimated expenditure of \$300,000 and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.
6. Approval to piggy-back State of Florida Contract No. 640-002-06-1 for the purchase of Paper: Tissues and Towels, awarded to multiple vendors, for the period of October 7, 2010 through July 31, 2011, at an estimated expenditure of \$200,000 and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.
7. Approval of the purchase requisitions in the total amount of \$24,472.99; and authorization for the issuance of the four (4) purchase orders as described.
8. Approval to renew Bid No. B096824SW for District wide pressure washing to Florida Painters of Lee County, Inc. for the period of October 19, 2010 through October 18, 2011. This is pursuant to the same terms and conditions as previously approved by the Board at an estimated annual expenditure of \$75,000 and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all documents.

E. Human Resources – Dr. Gregory Adkins

1. Approval of the general personnel recommendations including certificated, support and substitute staff, annual reappointments, and corrections to items previously approved by the Board.
2. Approval to reclassify the vacant position of Coordinator, Personnel Services, (Administrative Salary Schedule, Pay Grade 12), to the position of Manager, Staffing and Compliance, (Supervisory, Technical and Confidential Salary Schedule, Pay Grade 11); and approval of the job description for the position of Manager, Staffing and Compliance. The recommended reclassification will result in an estimated savings of \$20,967.44.
3. Approval of the Out-of-Field appointments as outlined.

F. School Support Services – Mr. William Moore

- ~~1. Approval of the total project cost of \$1,570,000.00 for the ALC West Portable Relocation Project and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents. Pulled from the agenda prior to the meeting.~~
2. Approval to award Bid #CS285 for Alva Elementary School New PE Pavilion Project to Gulfpoint Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$183,000.00 plus an amount not to exceed \$21,500.00 for contingency, if required, at the District's discretion and authorization for the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents.

3. Approval to award Bid #CS286 for James Stephens International Academy Sound and Acoustical Insulation Project to Gulfpoint Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$33,000.00 plus an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 for contingency, if required, at the District's discretion 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. Approval of Annual Expenditure for RFQ No. R086639LO – Acquisition of Energy Management Building Control Systems.

Motion by Dr. Kuckel, seconded by Mrs. Dozier, and carried 3-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve the estimated annual expenditure for RFQ NO. R086639LO for the acquisition of energy management building control systems awarded to Boyd Brothers Service, Inc. in the amount of \$500,000 for the period of October 7, 2010, through October 6, 2011, pursuant to the same terms and conditions as previously approved by the Board; and to authorize the Superintendent to execute all documents.

C. Renew Bid No. B086719LO – Roof Repairs.

Motion by Mrs. Dozier, seconded by Dr. Kuckel, and carried 3-0 to accept the Superintendent's recommendation that the Board approve renewing Bid No. B086719LO for roof repairs with Advanced Roofing & Sheet Metal; Camp-Rigby Roofing-Sheetmetal Contractors, Inc.; Crowther Roofing & Sheet Metal of Florida, Inc.; and Tecta America of South Florida f/k/a Murton Roofing Corp. for the final renewal period of October 20, 2010, through October 19, 2011, pursuant to the same terms and conditions as previously approved by the Board at an estimated annual expenditure of \$500,000; and to authorize the Superintendent to execute all documents.

VII. Attorney's Recommendations – Mr. Keith Martin

A. Good Cause: Approval of Contract of Employment with Lawrence D. Tihen, Ph.D., as Interim Superintendent.

Motion by Mrs. Dozier, seconded by Dr. Kuckel, and carried 3-0 to accept the Attorney's recommendation that the Board approve the Contract of Employment with Lawrence D. Tihen, Ph.D., as Interim Superintendent for the School District of Lee County as presented.

VIII. Public Hearing (None)

IX. Other Business

A. Board Members' Comments/Reports

Mrs. Dozier: none.

Dr. Kuckel: requested the status of the formation of a Calendar Committee Task Force, as previously requested and agreed upon, to study and identify the criteria (i.e., length of school year, holidays, non-school days) that should be considered when developing the FY2012 instructional calendar in order to ensure an educationally sound calendar. *Dr. Tihen stated that he and Dr. Adkins have met to begin the process for the Task Force.* Dr. Kuckel also requested that a staff presentation, to include overview and status, of the

District's Home School Program be scheduled for an upcoming Briefing Meeting. *It was the consensus of the Board that this presentation be scheduled.*

Mr. Teuber: none.

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

C. Superintendent's Comments/Reports

Dr. Tihen: thanked the Board for the honor of serving as Interim Superintendent; he added that he is very humbled by the trust that the Board has placed in him and by the support of the community.

D. Next Scheduled Meetings of the Board:

- October 19, 2010, 2:30 P.M.*, School Board Briefing Meeting (**Immediately following a School Board Special Meeting, if one is scheduled*)
- October 19, 2010, 6:00 P.M., School Board Action Meeting

X. Adjournment

Motion by Dr. Kuckel, *seconded* by Mrs. Dozier, and *carried 3-0* to adjourn the October 7, 2010, School Board Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 P.M.

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

ATTEST:

Lawrence D. Tihen, PhD, Secretary and District Interim Superintendent

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