



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY

Finance Advisory Committee

May 27, 2009

Meeting Minutes

Committee Members Present: Larry Bush, David Hall, Chuck Reynolds

Committee Members Absent: Nicholas Alexander, Marshall Bower, Thomas Busatta, Wayne Dean, Richard Hart, Thomas McNulty, Susan Quattro, Steve Riggs, Robyn Thomas

Lee County School Personnel Present: Ami Desamours

Guests:

Board Members Present: Robert Chilmonik

Recording Secretary: Sarah Cox

Welcome

Robert Chilmonik began the meeting at 4:50pm by giving his report.

Approval of Minutes (4/22/2009)

Not addressed.

Public Comment

Board Member's Report

Mr. Chilmonik informed the Committee their recommendation of renaming the Community Resource Training Room to The Carl Snipes Training Room is still in process.

He went on to mention that a Community Forum is being held tonight at 6:30pm at Fort Myers High School. There have been a total of six forums to update the community on the District's budget. The District is now moving towards a Plan B to look at other options for reducing the budget, which is predicted to be a \$42 million shortfall.

Conversation ensued around reducing costs for the Transportation Department. Mr. Chilmonik noted we spend approximately \$1,100 per student, per year on transportation. Our bus occupancy rate is 57%, has been for the last five years, and we would like it to increase into the high 90s.

FY10 Budget Update

Ms. Desamours provided a handout titled **Budget Workshop** that was presented to the Board on May 11, 2009.

Approved August 26, 2009

Good of the Order

Mr. Hall called off the meeting due to a lack of quorum.

Mr. Bush shared with the Committee that tonight is his last meeting as he is moving out of the area.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10pm

**The next meeting is scheduled for August 26, 2009 at 4:30 p.m., in the
Community Resource Training Room at the LCPEC**