



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY

Finance Advisory Committee

September 28, 2011

Meeting Minutes

Committee Members Present: James Beaudin, Frank Bove, BJ Brundage, Thomas Busatta, Patrick Darga, David Deetscreek, Bill Genter, Richard Hart, Charles Massie, Cathleen Morgan, Chuck Reynolds, Daniel Therrien

Committee Members Absent: Nicholas Alexander, Susanne Quattro, Tamisen Traiger

Lee County School Personnel Present: Dr. Ami Desamours

Board Members Present: Dr. Jane Kuckel

Recording Secretary: Dr. Ami Desamours

Welcome

Dr. Kuckel called the meeting to order. Introductions went around the table.

Organization of Committee

Cathleen Morgan elected as Chairman; Thomas Busatta elected as Vice Chairman. Discussion ensued on rules for public comment. Consensus reached that each member of the public will be given three minutes at the beginning of each meeting to speak. Consensus also reached to formally document this rule by stating it on the sign in sheet and agenda of each meeting.

Approval of Minutes (August 24, 2011)

The minutes were approved as presented.

Board Member's Report

Dr. Kuckel discussed the Committee's role in advising the Board; important issues include the budget, student assignment, and transportation. Discussion ensued on the District's Strategic Plan and the Superintendent's goals.

Public Comment

n/a

FY12 Budget Update

Dr. Desamours stated she will go over information in the Budget Book at each meeting.

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The following topics were considered for discussion at future meetings.

Approved October 26, 2011

- ½ cent bed tax or increase to sales tax. Legal department's input will be helpful for this.
- Internet sales tax
- Possibly have Dr. Rodriguez provide preliminary information on student assignment and transportation costs.
- More discussion on the purpose of the Committee. Consensus was reached on the purposes being to learn, share information with the community, and give the Board guidance.

Extensive discussion ensued regarding the new teacher evaluation process and salary schedule. Dr. Kuckel discussed the impact of new legislation on the evaluation process, tenure, and the salary schedule.

**The next meeting is scheduled for October 26, 2011 at 4:30 p.m.
in the District Intervention Training Room (01-0202) located at 2855 Colonial
Boulevard, Fort Myers, Florida.**