



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY

Finance Advisory Committee

May 15, 2019
Meeting Minutes

Committee Members Present: Kenneth Boyd, Paul Cohen, Ramie Hall, Julie Martinez, David Moreland, MaryBeth Mouriz, John Shannon, Daryl Teblum, Jeff Werderman, Shawn Williams

Committee Members Absent: Jonathan Heiland, Terence Phillips, Raul Toledo

Student Liaison: none

Board Member: Chris Patricca

Lee County School Personnel Present: Ami Desamours, Kelly Letcher

Recording Secretary: Barb Gill

Public: Liam Martinez

WELCOME

Paul Cohen welcomed everyone to the meeting at 4:05 p.m. He then acknowledged *Gwen Boyd*, Ken Boyd's wife, for being awarded the *School Nurse of the Year* for the School District of Lee County! He then added that the article regarding her award can be found on the Lee County Schools website.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the April minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTE LIMIT)

No public comment.

BOARD MEMBER'S REPORT

Chris Patricca shared that a new application is being developed for the District's Advisory Committee's. The applications will be accepted after July 1, 2019.

She then introduced and welcomed back Dr. Ami Desamours. The members who knew Dr. Desamours were very excited that she had returned.

The Committee was then informed that the Board had voted in favor of the recording, by video, of Advisory Committee meetings.

It was shared that the Board has hired RSM to perform the internal audit function. RSM will start with a risk assessment and then the Board will decide what specific areas of the District need audited.

Currently, the District is looking at hiring a Board Attorney, and a possible restructuring of how the legal services will be provided.

PLANNING SESSION FOR SUMMER MONTHS

The Committee was asked what they would like to cover over the summer months. The following are the suggestions made by the members:

- Budget in July/August
- Grants
- District's Insurance Plans
- Succession Planning in the District
- Explanation of Best & Brightest
- TEBO contract and naming rights - update
- DROP (Retirement Plan)
- Creation of a suggestion "box" for the District
- Communication

The committee then discussed the earlier information regarding the recording of advisory committee meetings. After a lengthy discussion, a motion was brought forth asking the Board not to recommend the recording of Advisory Committee meetings. This motion was then seconded. After a discussion the motion was then revised.

The Finance Advisory Committee made a motion to ask the Board to reconsider their motion to record advisory committee meetings, due to the unnecessary expenses. This motion passed, 9 in favor and 1 opposed.

A motion was then made to continue during the summer months with the following dates:

July 17

August 21

September 18

This motion passed unanimously.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for June 19, 2019, in the Intervention Training Room, which is located in Room 01-0202, located right beside our regular meeting room, at 2855 Colonial Boulevard, Fort Myers, Florida.