



Meeting Minutes Duval County Public Schools

April 5, 2022, Regular Board Meeting

Mr. Darryl Willie, Chairman
Dr. Kelly Coker, Vice-Chairman
Ms. Elizabeth Andersen
Ms. Lori Hershey
Mr. Warren A. Jones
Ms. Charlotte D. Joyce
Ms. Cindy Pearson
Dr. Diana Greene, Superintendent

ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD: All Board Members were present. Dr. Diana Greene, Superintendent, and Mr. Ray Poole, Office of General Counsel, were also present.

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM.

Invocation or Thought of the Day

Pledge of Allegiance

Recognitions/Presentations of Awards

Board Members

LORETTO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Loretto Elementary School Principal, Tammy Haberman shared a few special features regarding Loretto Elementary School that were not a part of the video. She also introduced Teacher, Samantha Fox - Teacher of the Year.

The school was then highlighted through a video.

Board Member Hershey expressed accolades about Loretto Elementary School being in existence since 1893 and now has the newest state of the art technology and competing with the charter schools.

Communications

RECOGNITION OF FRANK H. PETERSON CULINARY STUDENTS, THE PGA, THE PLAYERS, AND FSCJ

- The Duval County Career and Technical Education (CTE) Department provides students with opportunities to explore career options in settings that anticipate and address every student's needs.
- Culinary students from across the district had the opportunity to experience this as they competed to reign victorious at the “Cooking with Champions” event held at Frank H. Peterson Academies of Technology in February.
- “Cooking with Champions” was a collaborative event between THE PLAYERS, TPC Sawgrass and the district’s CTE departments with support from Publix and FSCJ.
- The PLAYERS Club Sawgrass Senior Executive Chef Azhar Mohammad and PGA TOUR Global Home Chef Director Eric Butcher (a DCPS alum himself) were judges at the event, alongside guest judge Matt Welch.
- At the end of the event, it was Frank H. Peterson’s culinary team who snagged the win. The team consisted of student chefs, De’Cota Allen and Colun Smith, along with their faculty advisor, Chef Susan Dougherty. De’Cota and Colun received a Superintendents Coin of Excellence.
- The following joined us from the PGA, The PLAYERS, and FSCJ, to recognize the students:
 - Chef Eric Butcher, PGA Tour Global Home Chef
 - Matt Welch, THE PLAYERS 2022 Tournament Chairman
 - Emily Tillo, THE PLAYERS
 - Marjorie Dennis, THE PLAYERS
 - Marsha Oliver, PGA TOUR
 - Cleve Warren from FSCJ Foundation

Matt Welch, Chairman of THE PLAYERS:

- Shared words of thanks and expressed the experience that he had at the Cooking with Champions Event.
- Acknowledged the two students from Frank H. Peterson for the food they had prepared.
- Acknowledged the chefs that were involved in the event.

Cleve Warren from FSCJ Foundation:

- Shared words of thanks.
- Acknowledged the two students for their teamwork and the food they had prepared.
- Encouraged De’Cota and Colun to consider attending FSCJ to continue their culinary career. Offered a \$4000 scholarship to the students.
- He mentioned some of the entrepreneurs who currently exist that had attended FSCJ.

Dr. Greene spoke on behalf of the teachers who worked to support and inspired the students to be successful. Chef Dougherty was presented with a check for \$500 from the District to be used towards expenses in the Culinary Arts program. She was informed that this would be done every year that a team competes and wins.

KRISTEN MCCROHAN ~~MCCURE~~ MCCURDY: RECOGNITION OF LIFE SAVING ACTIONS

It was just a typical day at Louis Sheffield Elementary when things took a drastic turn. A teacher jumped in and saved a student's life. During a working snack in the classroom, fourth-grade teacher Kristen McCurdy noticed that the student was having difficulty breathing. She ran over to the student to find that he was choking on an olive from his snack. Immediately, Mrs. McCurdy performed an abdominal thrust and dislodged the olive from the student's throat. Due to McCurdy's quick thinking and life-saving actions, a disastrous outcome was avoided.

Mrs. McCurdy received a Superintendent Coin of Excellence this evening for her selfless act.

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP FINALISTS

According to the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, "The mission of National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) is to recognize and honor the academically talented students of the United States." NMSC accomplishes its mission by conducting nationwide academic scholarship programs. The following students have been recognized:

- Douglas Anderson School of the Arts student, Daniel McDonald, joined by Principal Wilson.
- Fletcher High School student, Ander Jurs, joined by Principal Ledford.
- Samuel W. Wolfson School for Advanced Studies and Leadership student, Sean Baily, joined by Principal Begley.
- Stanton College Preparatory School Principal, Majova, was joined by the following students:
 - Swetha Anand
 - Joanna Britto
 - Katie Carlson
 - Siddharth Chitta
 - Elizabeth DeVooght
 - Elijah Files
 - Nikhita Guhan
 - Piper Jones
 - Karthick Kumar
 - Eric Lee
 - Audrey Lindsay
 - Jessica Malosh
 - Joshua Manuel
 - Ava Nafisi
 - Avi Patel
 - Susheel Perikala
 - Joshita Pila
 - Joel Valan
 - Romir Varshney

OUTSTANDING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT: KAI EDU

Student Kai Edu has overcome all odds after losing his vision:

- A senior dually enrolled at Sandalwood High School and Florida State College at Jacksonville.
- While attending FSCJ, he will earn his Associate of Arts degree before he transfers to Florida Polytechnic University in the Fall. He will be studying computer engineering with a concentration

in digital logic design.

- He has maintained membership in the exclusive National Society of Leadership and Success since 2020, which has given him the opportunity to refine his communication and leadership skills.
- He has been recognized for his academic prowess, being a part of the dean's list at FSCJ.
- He has thrived on his rigorous educational path thanks to the support and guidance of his vision and mobility teachers. They have helped him to develop the skills he needs to succeed both in and out of the classroom.

FLETCHER HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

On February 25, 2022, Fletcher's girls soccer team "came to make history and wasn't leaving without it." The Class 6A girls' soccer state championship was held at Spec Martin Stadium. The Senators got their lone goal in the 63rd minute from student, Angelina Madera while the defense did the rest in a win over Lourdes Academy.

After their dramatic win, Coach Bradley Plummer, filled with shock, stated, "what those girls have accomplished and what they were able to do, the way that they were able to come together is one of the most incredible things that I've been able to be a part of as a coach."

No boys or girls soccer team from a Duval County Public School has ever brought home a state title.

CHARTWELLS RECOGNITIONS

Duval County Public Schools Nutrition Department partners with Chartwells K-12 to provide food service management to serve happy and healthy meals in cafeterias district wide.

CEO of Chartwells K-12, Belinda Oakley recognized some of the exemplary food service employees:

- Kenny Stephens was recognized as the National School Lunch Hero
- Jacqueline Dorrell - the School Employee of the Year
- Cynthia Hall – School Employee of the Year

Food Service Supervisor, Jane Zentko, joined in for the recognition.

Approval of Agenda

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 5, 2022, AGENDA

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board approve the April 5, 2022 agenda as submitted on March 29, 2022, with the following;

- **Recognitions/Presentations of Awards - Communications - Kristen McCrohan McCure:**
Recognition of Life Saving Actions - Item Amended
- **Academic Services - Approval of the Agreement with Mastery Prep for SAT and ACT Reading**

Curriculum - Attachment Added

- **Academic Services - Agreements for Educational Management Services - Item Amended**
- **Information Technology - Wide Area Network (WAN) Services - Attachment Added**
- **Operations - Facilities Project Design, Construction and Maintenance - Contract for Construction Audit Services, Selection and Contract Award/RFP No. 07-22/TW - Item Withdrawn**
- **Superintendent's Travel - Item Amended**

Vote Results:

Motion: Elizabeth Andersen

Second: Warren A. Jones

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey

Warren A. Jones

Charlotte Joyce

Elizabeth Andersen

Darryl Willie

Kelly Coker

Cynthia Pearson

Nay:

None

Chairperson's Report

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairman Willie reviewed the 'Improving Post-Secondary Readiness' - Strategic Plan Goal 3 through a PowerPoint presentation (see attached).

Superintendent's Reports

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

Dr. Greene reviewed the following items through a PowerPoint presentation (see attached):

- District Vacancies
 - District Vacancies - Staffing
- FREE Laptops for Students
- DCPS Employment Fair for HS Students
- 2022 Month of the Military Child
- DCPS Mental Health Resources
 - Hazel Telehealth
 - Access to Hazel Health

Sales Surtax Oversight Committee Report

The following report was shared by Oversight Committee Chairman, Hank Rogers:

"Good evening, Dr. Greene, Chairman Willie, Vice-Chair Dr. Coker, and Honorable Board members. Thank you for the opportunity to report on the work of the Sales Surtax Oversight committee.

It was indeed a pleasure to report to the Board at the March 8th Board Workshop and present the committee's first annual report. Before beginning my presentation, I'd like to let the public know that the 2021 annual report of the Sales Surtax Oversight Committee has been published online and can be found at duvalschools.org/half-penny.

Per Board Policy 9.66, the purpose of the Sales Surtax Oversight Committee is to review, monitor, and make recommendations for consideration to the School Board and superintendent. We also inform the public about the planning, progress, and implementation of the projects funded with proceeds from the School Board's Resolution on March 16, 2020 and approved by voters on November 3, 2020. The committee was established to provide transparency and instill confidence in Duval County taxpayers, that projects funded by the sales surtax proceeds are being delivered according to the sales surtax plan set forth in the School Board's resolution.

One of the committee's responsibilities is to provide review and recommendations on an annual basis to the School Board, Superintendent, and to the community.

The Oversight Committee is comprised of twenty-two voting members, of which twenty are active, who are representatives of community organizations or an appointee from each of the seven School Board members. There are also two non-voting members, Superintendent Dr. Diana Greene and a student representing the District Student Government Association. To serve on the committee, all members must certify that they have no conflict of interest or any financial interest in the projects and initiatives funded through the surtax. Membership of the committee is set forth in school board policy 9.66, Sales Surtax Oversight Committee.

The committee met eight times during the 2021 calendar year. As a part of our orientation, committee members received training regarding the role of the oversight committee as well as operating in the sunshine. At the February 2021 meeting, members elected me as their chair and Mr. Nate Day as Vice-Chair. Subsequently, the committee voted to conduct meetings on a bi-monthly basis or as needed.

Committee members have worked very closely with district staff. During each meeting, district staff provided project status updates, departmental updates and reviewed the Master Facility Plan (MFP) finances to include the amount of revenue generated and received by the sales surtax.

The Master Facility Plan dashboard housed on the DCPS website provides both aggregate and individual project details and allows the public to filter fields to access desired information. This dashboard is user-friendly, and we encourage the community to visit the district's website to review the information contained in the dashboard.

The oversight committee is pleased with the progress of the district's transparency and compliance with implementing the Master Facility Plan in accordance with the requirements in the resolution. During a pandemic, the Oversight Committee appreciates the Board and Superintendent for their visionary leadership and keeping promises made to the community. While we appreciate the district's reporting, the committee continues to be concerned with the lack of transparency of some of our charter schools' reporting. The

committee's review includes:

- The committee would like to continue to see the district promote participation and opportunities with minority and small businesses.
- The committee provided oversight of the following highlighted projects within the district:
 - Rutledge H. Pearson Elementary School replacements
 - Chaffee Trail's new 6-8
 - Highlands Elementary School replacement
 - Southside Estates Elementary School replacement
 - North Shore Elementary School deferred maintenance
- 42 projects are currently on track as outlined in the Master Facility Plan

The committee makes the following recommendations for the upcoming year:

- The School Board and superintendent should work with an outside agency to develop a charter school dashboard that is housed on the same website as the district's dashboard.
- Utilize other communication methods to ensure information is being disseminated to all members of the community instead of relying on the half-penny website. This could include having City Council members include sales surtax updates in their newsletter or providing updates at their town hall meetings, broadcasting on local radio stations, or utilizing local news outlets and their social media sites to provide updates.
- Advertise "your half-penny at work" signs in front of each school with an active project.
- The School Board and/or Superintendent should determine whether to pursue an outside opinion on the clarity of the allowed uses of expending sales surtax funds.

Thank you for the opportunity to present the committee's annual report. Once again, we encourage members of the public to visit duvalschools.org/half-penny to read the report in its entirety.

The next meeting for the Oversight Committee will be held on Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. at the Schultz Center for Teaching and Leadership. We are looking forward to having our first of many presentations from one of our charter schools at this meeting. All of our meetings are open to the public and we encourage community members to attend and provide their input during our public comments portion. "

Public Comment

The following commented about supporting the Parental Rights Bill

- Reginald Blount
- Danny Grabill

Earl Testy - Shared information about Josiah T. Walls

The following commented about Prayer Back in School:

- Ronnie Townes - Prayer Back in School
- Lassie Johnson - Prayer Back in School

Frank Delong - GPS and wages

Sonny Bartley - Supports salary increase for teachers; lottery money; and against millage increase

The following commented on the District not acknowledging on the website regarding the month of April being

Autism Awareness Month and speaking in support of services for students with Autism:

- Tim Miller
- Darlene Miller

Katherine McNeal spoke against the millage rate increase.

The following commented on the failure of school procedures and communications:

- Mara Macie
- Ted Macie

Carnell Oliver commented about the 3 low performing schools.

Margaret Yarbrough commented on racial issues

Sherman Randall commented on allowing more minorities to be able to participate in business opportunities with transportation.

Lori Crunden had summer reading on her speaker card. (left early)

Comments from Parent Organizations

DCCPTA President, Kay Hawkins, shared the following report:

"DCCPTA had the election of officers for the 2022-2023 school year at our March 22nd meeting and I am happy to report that we have a full slate of officers! We will be holding our first executive board meeting tomorrow to start planning for next year. Other than our re-chartering of PTA/PTSAs, all our board and general meetings will be held in person next year.

Our President's and Principals Celebration will be held virtually again this year. Some of our board members will be meeting in person for this celebration but some of the others will be joining us via Zoom. We are encouraging our local units to hold watch parties so they can celebrate with us with their board members.

Our Awards Chair has collected award applications from our elementary, middle and high schools and they will be meeting in the next few days to determine what schools will receive awards this year for Advocacy, Membership, Historian as well as those schools who will be awarded elementary, middle and high school of the year.

This year, our Florida PTA Convention will be held in Orlando instead of Innisbrooke in Tarpon Springs. The convention will be at the Omni Orlando Resort Champions Gate from July 21st – July 24th. We are so excited to have our convention back in person this year instead of a hybrid convention. We have several delegates going from our board attending this year.

We will be celebrating our Student Leadership students on Thursday, April 14th at 6:00 p.m. here in the Cline Auditorium. Our students met on three Saturdays over the course of three months and learned how to advocate, including meeting on Zoom with Chartwells to help make a difference with the cafeterias and food in their high schools. Chartwells was very receptive to their concerns and in turn started doing some investigations to make things better.

Our Student Scholarship Committee received 10 Scholarship Applications from high school students who will be graduating this year. The committee has selected 5 students who will be awarded \$500 scholarships and the recipients will be announced later this week. We are in hopes of being able to award more than 5

scholarships next year.

Thank you for your continued support to DCCPTA."

Whitney Touchton, Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Chair, and Melissa Daniel, Advocacy Chair accompanied DCCPTA President, Kay Hawkins. Ms. Daniel read a Dress Code Resolution that was drawn up by DCCPTA.

Comments from District Student Government Association

No comments.

Comments from Employee Organizations

No comments.

Approval of Minutes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board approve the following Board minutes:

- February 11, 2022 - Subcommittee Meeting
- February 14, 2022 - Board Member Meeting - Coker, Andersen, Pearson
- February 22, 2022 - Board Member Meeting - Coker, Jones, Joyce
- February 24, 2022 - Joint Meeting JPEF/DCSB Members
- March 1, 2022 - Regular Board Meeting
- March 8, 2022 - Board Workshop
- March 22, 2022 - Agenda Committee Meeting
- March 22, 2022 - Board Workshop

Vote Results:

Motion: Warren A. Jones

Second: Charlotte Joyce

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey
Warren A. Jones
Charlotte Joyce
Elizabeth Andersen
Darryl Willie
Kelly Coker
Cynthia Pearson

Nay:
None

Approval of Consent Agenda

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion:
That the Duval County School Board approve the Consent Agenda.

Vote Results:
Motion: Elizabeth Andersen
Second: Lori Hershey

PASSED 7-0

Aye:
Lori Hershey
Warren A. Jones
Charlotte Joyce
Elizabeth Andersen
Darryl Willie
Kelly Coker
Cynthia Pearson

Nay:
None

Consent Agenda

Board Members

Academic Services

1. FDOE COURSE CODE DIRECTORY - MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE ELECTIVE COURSES
2. APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH MASTERY PREP FOR SAT AND ACT READING CURRICULUM
3. AGREEMENTS FOR EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES
4. APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE REVISED SCHOOLWIDE IMPROVEMENT PLAN

5. FDOE COURSE CODE DIRECTORY - SECONDARY ELEVATE COURSES

Human Resource Services - Staffing

6. HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES EMPLOYEE TRANSACTIONS

7. PROPERTY INSURANCE

8. EMPLOYEE TERMINATION – KIRK ESLER

Human Resource Services - Compensation

9. SETTLEMENT WITH THE NORTHEAST FLORIDA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES LOCAL 630, LIUNA, AFL-CIO

10. SETTLEMENT WITH THE JACKSONVILLE SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Administration and Business Services - Budget and Financial

11. MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – JANUARY 2022

12. ADOPTION OF BUDGET RESOLUTIONS – FEBRUARY 2022

Information Technology

13. GAGGLE SAFETY MANAGEMENT SERVICES RENEWAL

14. WIDE AREA NETWORK (WAN) SERVICES

Operations - Real Estate, Planning and Programming

15. APPROVE GRANT OF A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF DUVAL COUNTY AND JACKSONVILLE ELECTRIC AUTHORITY FOR THE REHABILITATION OF WATER SUPPLY WELL NO. 4.

16. APPROVE GRANT OF A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF DUVAL COUNTY AND JACKSONVILLE ELECTRIC AUTHORITY FOR THE REHABILITATION OF ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINES

Operations - Facilities Project Design, Construction and Maintenance

17. PERIODIC REPORT OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETIONS AND FINAL INSPECTIONS OF MAJOR MAINTENANCE AND MINOR CAPITAL PROJECTS UNDER \$1,000,000.

18. CHANGE ORDER REPORT

19. CONTRACT LABOR - ROOFING REPAIR

20. ~~CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION AUDIT SERVICES, SELECTION AND CONTRACT AWARD/RFP NO. 07-22/TW - WITHDRAWN~~

Operations - Purchasing and Logistics

21. SURPLUS PROPERTY RETIREMENT REPORT

22. RENEWAL - NONPROFIT SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE - FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT COMPANY, RFP NO. 02-19/TW

23. FEBRUARY 2022 PURCHASE REPORT

Discussion

Board Members

Academic Services

24. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH READ USA, INC.

Motion:

1. That the Duval County School Board approve an agreement with READ USA Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$354,235.00.

2. That the Duval County School Board authorize the Chairman or Vice-Chairman and Superintendent to execute the agreement contingent upon form approval by the Office of General Counsel.

Vote Results:

Motion: Warren A. Jones

Second: Elizabeth Andersen

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey
Warren A. Jones
Charlotte Joyce
Elizabeth Andersen
Darryl Willie
Kelly Coker
Cynthia Pearson

Nay:

None

Board Member Joyce expressed that she had a lot of input from the community regarding the titles of the books for the book fairs and wanted to know if it was possible for the Board Members to get the titles of the books from the previous year's book fair . She also asked for Dr. Greene to explain the normal review practices that were being applied to ensure that the resources are suitable for distribution.

Dr. Greene stated the following:

- She was not sure if she could get the titles from previous year's bookfair, and she would ask Scholastic.
- Bookfairs can give you a basic list, but there may be titles at the fair that the District does not have that list.
- Previous bookfair was a nighttime activity. Parents and children went to the fair and purchased books. With Read USA, this fair takes place during the school day.
- Students are ensured book ownership for literacy through the District's various partnerships and the Title IV grant.
- The Board can be provided with the basic list.
- If Scholastic runs out of a title, they will replace the title. It must still be in the same grade band. She could not say another book won't show up if a title runs out.
- Board Member Joyce requested an all-inclusive list for the Board Members and they can share with the public.
- Dr. Greene stated that whatever the District receives, she will provide for the Board.

Board Member Hershey explained her reason for pulling this item with consent:

- The partnership with Read USA is very beneficial.
- She does not have Title I schools in her district.
- A touching moment for her last year at a Read USA Bookfair was when a student in a non-Title I school expressed when getting a book, "I never ever thought I would be able to have this book."
- Shared Dr. Greene's email responses with constituents who emailed her regarding this item.
- Gave Dr. Greene the opportunity to respond publicly to steps the District has put into place, as she is well aware of the Parents' Rights, HB 1467.

Dr. Greene explained the following:

- A certified Media Specialist is to review the books to ensure that there are no books that violate the statute. The statute goes into effect July 1, 2022.
- Read USA has been a tremendous partner to make sure the students have book ownership. It is about literacy and teaching children to love books and that books are available to them.

- In the beginning, the District worked with only Title I schools.
- Explained the history of Read USA.
- Board Member Hershey expressed that reading issues exist in non-Title I schools. Arrangements were made so that all school students would benefit from book ownership.
- Dr. Greene stated, "Speaking as a mother, as a former teacher, and as the Superintendent. We are not putting anything in front of our students to coerce them into anything other than the love of reading."
- The titles are reviewed by Ms. Renfro's department and they have gone through every single title.
- Dr. Greene will be open and transparent.
- Other school districts only wish they had a local non-profit community partner who has stepped up to raise money to ensure that the District can give all elementary students 3 books every year. By the time they leave elementary, they will have a small library. Parents, Board Members, etc. are encouraged to attend the fair to assist the children with picking out their books.

Board Member Joyce expressed her support for reading and how children feel about getting books from a bookfair. She added that she wanted the public to hear Dr. Greene speak and talk about the titles and that it is important to have a list for transparency. She is also looking for volunteering at some of the Read USA events in her schools.

Board Member Jones thanked Dr. Greene and expressed accolades about the students being able to get 3 books of their own through the partnership with Read USA.

Chairman Willie mentioned being at the bookfairs and hearing students talk about getting books for themselves or for their siblings; the books reflecting diversity; and making sure students can see themselves in the books that they are reading.

Chief of Staff

25. PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE: REVISIONS TO CHAPTER 7 BOARD POLICIES

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a public hearing and adopt the recommended revisions to the following policy in School Board Manual Chapter 7: Policy 7.70, Purchasing

Vote Results:

Motion: Elizabeth Andersen

Second: Lori Hershey

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey

Warren A. Jones

Charlotte Joyce

Elizabeth Andersen

Darryl Willie

Kelly Coker

Cynthia Pearson

Nay:
None

Board Member Travel

BOARD TRAVEL

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board confirm the travel listed is for official Board business and that it complies with the rules of the State Board of Education:

- **April 28-29, 2022 - Howey-in-the-Hills, FL - FSBA 2022 School Finance Forum 2.0 - Coker**
- **June 7-10, 2022 - Tampa, FL - FSBA/FADSS Annual Summer Conference - Andersen, Coker, Hershey, Jones, Joyce, Pearson, & Willie**

Vote Results:

Motion: Kelly Coker

Second: Elizabeth Andersen

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey
Warren A. Jones
Charlotte Joyce
Elizabeth Andersen
Darryl Willie
Kelly Coker
Cynthia Pearson

Nay:

None

Superintendent's Travel

SUPERINTENDENT'S TRAVEL

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board approve the following Superintendent's travel:

- **March 4, 2022 - Lakeland, FL - FHSA State Championships**
- **April 7-8, 2022 - Orlando, FL - 2022 Impact Florida Education Summit**
- **April 19-20, 2022 - Muscogee, GA - Site Visit, Chancelight Education - Muscogee School District**

Vote Results:**Motion:** Lori Hershey**Second:** Elizabeth Andersen**PASSED 7-0****Aye:**

Lori Hershey

Warren A. Jones

Charlotte Joyce

Elizabeth Andersen

Darryl Willie

Kelly Coker

Cynthia Pearson

Nay:

None

For The Record

Board Member Hershey:

- Spoke about attending the play Matilda at Mandarin Middle School
- Encouraged people to go to Mandarin High School to view the display in honor of the Holocaust victims, specifically the children.
- Announced about Councilman Boylan's Community Meeting on April 14th where there would be a discussion on the Zoning of Old St. Augustine Rd. for a charter school. She had received a lot of emails regarding the traffic problems on San Jose Blvd. and Old St. Augustine Rd. Board Member Hershey shared that there are 9 schools in the area, so she encouraged all who have concerns about the traffic flow to attend the meeting to give their input.
- Mentioned the House Bill that came out of the Legislative Session that would remove the Board's ability to approve charter schools. This will be done at the state level.
- Quoted Ghandi, "Be the change you want to see in the world". Encouraged people to reach out to human resources and become a paraprofessional.

Board Member Joyce:

- Expressed accolades regarding the presentations.
- Acknowledged the two teachers in her district who received the Gladys Prior Award:
 - Kelly Blaylock, teacher at Ruth Upson Elementary School
 - Crystal Parker, teacher at Ed. White High School
- Acknowledged Lake Shore Middle School for receiving the award for Community First Credit Union School of the Month for February. Emphasis was put on the school's Black History Project.
- Acknowledged the month of April being the Military Children's Month. Looking forward to participating in a celebration with Venetia Elementary School, which is next to NAS Jax.
- Mentioned about her son being in the military and her having her first grandchild.
- Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) testing and the pressure that the students undergo. Shared words of someone she respects with the Board and everyone in attendance.

Board Member Pearson:

- Thanked and shared kudos with Assistant Superintendent, Vicki Schultz; Director, Jacqueline Watkins; Coordinator, Collisa Mahin; and the Benefits Department Team who assisted with holding the Employee Health and Wellness Fair.
- Thanked Jacksonville Public Education Fund (JPEF) for hosting the reading initiative 20-a-day Paves the Way. Thanked the partners Jacksonville Public Library and the Read USA for the part they played.
- Thanked Ms. Schultz and the event committee for hosting the Employee of the Year Awards:
 - Coordinator, Adele Herring; Director, Jacqueline Watkins; Director, Anita Smith; Supervisor, Cecile Ashley Wallace; Coordinator, Tyra Key; Office of General Counsel, Deputy General Counsel, Jon Phillips; Program Assistant, Zulma Ibanez; Specialist, and Rebecca Durkin.
- Acknowledged the Audit Advisory Committee, who had their first meeting and thanked Internal Board Auditor, Lenia Blades; Chief Financial Officer, Michelle Begley; Ray Poole for assisting with getting things set up.
- Thanked Read USA for the partnership regarding the bookfairs. She spoke about there being books in a variety of languages for students whose first language is not English.
- Announced about the upcoming 2 Chats with the Superintendent: April 14th at Sandalwood High School for Districts 1, 2, and 3. April 28th at Englewood Elementary School for District 3. She thanked Chief of Staff, Sonita Young, for making the arrangements for translators to be a part of this Chat, as Englewood Elementary is very diverse.
- Touched on all the different types of test coming up for the students, staff, and administrators. Informed all the principals in District 3 to let her know if she could support them in any way.

Board Member Jones:

- Spoke about attending a breakfast with Read USA. Addressing some of the barriers with the Summer Read Program:
 - There are 50 prominent individuals reading books on video. Parents who can't read to their child can use the videos to follow along.
 - Thanked Read USA for the partnership and assisting with making sure each student gets 3
- Acknowledged Alisha M. Felk of Gregory Drive Elementary School for becoming Employee of the Year and all the finalists.
- Shared accolades and thanked Kenneth Stephens from Chartwells for the work he does to make sure students are fed properly and being announced as the Employee of the Year on a national level by Chartwells.
- Thanked Chairman Willie for his speech at the City Council meeting.

Board Member Andersen:

- Congratulated student Ander Jurs of Fletcher High School for being selected as a National Merit Scholarship Finalist.
- Congratulated the Fletcher High School Girls Soccer Team for winning the State Championship and the medal which they gave her.
- Highlighted the TPC and FSCJ for the Cooking with Champions, the experiences that the students experienced and the opportunities that were offered. Thanked the students of Frank H. Peterson High School for the meal they prepared before the meeting.
- Thanked to Read Jax, JPEF, and the Public Library for coming together around literacy. Their partnership helps students to have books in their home and helps parents learn how to be literacy teachers for their kids.
- Shared accolades to the Audit Advisory Committee for coming together. Acknowledged Julia Hand, Chief Audit Executive of North Florida and also Board Member Andersen's appointee for the Audit Advisory Committee.
- Encouraged people to attend Councilman Boylan's community meeting.

- Wear purple in honor of Purple Up.
- Thanked Jane Condon, Carol Grimes, and Susan Brandenburg who put together a memoir, 'Chosen by Jane', which is about the early years of Douglas Anderson School of the Arts.
- Acknowledged April as the month of Autism. Shared a quote from Dr. Seuss.

Vice-Chairman Dr. Coker:

- Congratulated the students of Terry Parker High School who participated in their International Baccalaureate (IB) Planning Ceremony.
- Gave a special celebration for the Dance Students at Fort Caroline School of the Arts for their Dance Showcase. Thanked teachers and school leaders for making the event possible.
- Congratulated the staff of Arlington Middle School who had their first ever Miss Arlington Middle School.
- Thanked Board Members Pearson and Andersen for allowing her to tag along with the Chat with the Superintendent.
- Thanked City Year and their Fearless Leader, Allisia Bauman, for allowing her to be a part of their recent Lacy Day of Service.
- Gave a shout out to the David Miller Family and Early Childhood Director, Sonya McSwain, for including her in their recent Day of Service at John Love Elementary School. Dr. Greene and Dr. Coker had the opportunity to put their gardening skills to use.
- Thanked Matt Schott and the entire planning committee for the Northeast Florida Construction Career Days. The event brought over 2,000 students from the Northeast Florida area to experience opportunities that exist in the construction industry.
- Thanked Board Member Pearson for her leadership as the Board's Legislative Liaison.
- Thanked Ms. Schultz and her Team for the Employee of the Year Event.
- Thanked all the Duval County Public Schools (DCPS) employees and students who volunteered at the Gate River Run. It showed the District in a positive light.

Chairman Willie:

- Thanked Dr. Greene and Board Member Jones for the Chat with the Superintendent.
- Congratulated Tina Bennett, Principal of John E. Ford Elementary School, who was going to Las Vegas to accept an award.
- Mentioned about the Nail-Driving Competition sponsored by Northeast Florida Builders Association at A. Phillip Randolph Career Academies. Chairman Willie beat Principal Megan McKinney.
- Congratulated Andrew Robinson Elementary teacher, Meshellia Hughes, on being honored at the Gladys Prior Awards Event.
- Mentioned about FSA testing and the pep rallies that are taking place in District 4.
- Encouraged people to check out the student artwork that is on display at the public libraries.
- Shout out to Chartwells. Thanked them for providing cookies and water at the Chat with the Superintendent. They also gave out food at a Farm Share.
- Thanked Board Member Joyce for planting the seed regarding the Audit Advisory Committee. The members of the committee are brilliant. Thanked Ms. Blades, Ms. Begley, Mr. Poole, and Board Office Staff for helping to pull things together.
- Acknowledged the employees of DCPS and the need to take care of them.
- Expressed that there are losses and gains. That there has been a lot of loss in the community. Encouraged people to take a moment, empty that container out, because there is a lot of stuff going on. Added for all to reflect on a lot of the positive things that are happening, because there are a lot of great things going on that were mentioned at the Board Meeting.

Adjournment

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Motion:

That the Duval County School Board move to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 PM.

Vote Results:

Motion: Cynthia Pearson

Second: Charlotte Joyce

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey

Warren A. Jones

Charlotte Joyce

Elizabeth Andersen

Darryl Willie

Kelly Coker

Cynthia Pearson

Nay:

None

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Superintendent

Chairman