



Meeting Minutes Duval County Public Schools

April 19, 2022, Board Workshop

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 10:48 a.m.

Items to be Discussed

1. MASTER FACILITIES PLAN UPDATE - (HIGHLANDS ELEMENTARY, SOUTHSIDE ESTATE ELEMENTARY, AND RIBAULT HIGH SCHOOL)

Paul Soares, Assistant Superintendent, Chief Operations, and Byron Page, Executive Director, Design and Construction Services presented Powerpoint Presentation New K-5 at Highlands Elementary School Pine Estates Consolidation. Dr. Diana Greene, Superintendent, also joined in the discussion on the following topics:

Discussion was held regarding the Media building on the Conceptional slide and how these buildings will blend in with the new buildings.

- Dr. Greene stated that the goal is to reduce painting and give a timeless look.
- Covered walkways and play areas were discussed.
- Castaldi's process was explained.
- The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) review process and demolition approval process was explained
- The cost to replace, including design costs verses rebuild costs and the appeal process, was explained.
- The relocation of students was discussed. The current plan is for Highlands Elementary School to go to Martin Luther King. Pine Estates will stay at their school. Parents can choose where the students attend through the School Choice process.
- Transportation issues for parents were also discussed.

- Appreciation for Pine Estates and the assistance they have provided to the English Speakers of Other Language (ESOL) community was expressed.
- Chairman Willie stated that the community as well as the churches in this area are very excited about this and hopes that the City will bump up their efforts for improvement and maintaining of the area.

Mr. Paul Soares and Mr. Byron Page, presented a Powerpoint Presentation Prototype Selection Southside Estates Elementary School & Windy Hill Elementary School and the following topics were discussed:

- Community engagement is great in this area. Concerns about traffic have been expressed.
- A traffic study was completed and recommendations have been made according to what was found in the study. Paved areas on the school grounds to allow cars to be able to wait was discussed.
- The City of Jacksonville will have their own entrance to the parks.
- Elevation Studies were completed and are part of the design phase.
- Covered outdoor space was requested and discussed.
- Dry retention was explained.

Mr. Paul Soares and Mr. Byron Page, presented a Powerpoint Presentation Project Development Jean Ribault High School (Ribault MS/SB Mathis ES Campus). Dr. Greene joined in the discussion on the following:

- The impact on the community was discussed.
- Appreciation for the curb appeal was expressed by Chairman Willie.
- The outcomes of previous community meetings were discussed. An enrollment study will be completed and the results will be discussed with the community..
- Excitement about the new plans and appreciation of Dr. Greene for bringing these changes and moving this area forward was expressed by Chairman Willie,
- Plans for Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs were discussed.
- A request for maps with boundary lines for elementary, middle, high and charter schools was requested.
- Chairman Willie stated that changes in enrollment may occur because we are a school choice district.

2. RELOCATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING

Dr. Greene, Terrence Wright, Director, Purchasing Administration and Oliver Barakat, Senior Vice President, Coldwell Banker Richard Ellis (CBRE) presented a Powerpoint Presentation, Administrative Headquarters Relocation and Disposition of Surplus Property School Board ITN Briefing (ITN No. 22-21/TW). Ray Poole, Office of General Counsel joined in the discussion on the following:

- Mr. Wright will be the Principal Procurement Officer.
- Categories of proposals that were received were explained. They include new Administrative Headquarters, Disposition of Surplus or a combination of both.
- Board Member Pearson suggested that clarification be given as all bids received were not for this project.
- Process for the Evaluation Committee meeting.
- Mr. Poole advised that given the magnitude of this project, there will be some that will not agree and it may be in the best interest of the Board to remain distant from the evaluation committee as the Board will be the ones receiving the recommendations and ultimately voting on this. Board Member Jones strongly cautioned this as well.
- The protesting process was explained. This process would take place prior to the Board receiving the recommendations.

- Persons who have submitted the proposals have been instructed not to contact Board Members as this will cause a disqualification. Chairman Willie requested a list of the bidders so they would be informed.

3. GOVERNANCE

Dr. Diana Greene joined in the discussion on the following topics:

- The math curriculum process was discussed. Any curriculum not on the approval list of the Florida Department of Education (FDOE), the publishers will then have the option to resubmit to the FDOE for approval. We are now waiting to hear from those publishers and FDOE on their final approval.
- Instructional material orders are of top concern as these must be ordered prior to the end of the school year for the upcoming year.
- School grades are assessed next year.

Board Member Hershey left at 12:53 p.m.

- Dr. Greene stated that printing from digital is an option, but the district would be responsible for cost. Printing thousands of copies is not an easy task as we have paper shortages and would need to start this process in May to get this completed on time.
- Board Member Andersen read a statement from Stem Scope.
- The reasons for the denials from FDOE for math curriculum were Critical Race Theory (CRT), Social & Emotional Learning.
- Board Member Andersen questioned if the Charter Schools had to go through the same process with their curriculum and Dr. Greene advised they do not.
- Board Member Jones questioned the issues regarding transportation to and from track meet games. Dr. Greene advised that the situation should be resolved.

1. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

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Superintendent

Chairman