



Meeting Minutes Duval County Public Schools

August 16, 2022, Agenda Committee 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 with the exceptions of Board Members Elizabeth Andersen and Charlotte Joyce who participated by interactive video/telephone systems. 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 9:53 a.m.

1. APPROVAL OF BOARD MEMBERS VIA INTERACTIVE VIDEO/TELEPHONE SYSTEMS

Note: The Board voted to allow Board Members Elizabeth Andersen and Charlotte Joyce to participate via telephone at the August 16, 2022, Board Workshop held just prior to this meeting.

Items to be Discussed

1. DRAFT AGENDA REVIEW - SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH LUTHERAN SERVICES FLORIDA, INC.

Dr. Diana Greene, Superintendent joined in the discussion on the following:

- Board Member Jones expressed the value and effectiveness of the program.
- Costs and funding of the program were explained.

APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION MATERIALS FOR REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND DISEASE PREVENTION

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

- Dr. Greene advised that there are other options for the supplemental materials. However, these companies cover the same topics. This material was chosen because it provides research-based information and covers topics that are required by the state to be taught that are not in the textbooks in depth, such as HIV/Aides and prevention of Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD's) and items of comprehensive topics that impact us locally.
- A request was made to provide State Statute information to the public so their concerns can be directed to the State beyond the local levels.
- Board Member Pearson does not feel that the 8th grade supplemental curriculum is age appropriate. She stated that she has surveyed teachers, who stated that they have not used the supplemental materials, and has surveyed high school students as to whether they have received instruction on these certain items and they stated that they have not received this information. After reviewing the material, she found that the title of the lessons and the information in the lessons differ, therefore, she feels that parents who wish to opt out their student, may have difficulty in preventing this information from being shared with their students.
- Vice Chairman Dr. Coker spoke on the flyer that was posted in a high school. After reviewing the flyer, it was determined that it came from the Florida Department of Health. Dr. Greene states that after receiving that flyer, all information will have to go through the district for approval prior to being posted in schools. Vice Chairman Dr. Coker encouraged parents to contact the proper legislative department and take their concerns to them as this is who provided this information.

APPROVAL OF SY2021-SY2028 GEAR UP AGREEMENTS - GRANT B

Mr. Scott Schneider, Chief Officer, Chief of Schools, Mr. Jackie Simmons, Executive Director, Student Discipline & Support Services, and Mr. Evan Daniels, Director, Gear Up, joined in the discussion on the following:

- External Evaluator Excalibur was discussed.
- Evaluation of partners and data was discussed and how information on students are tracked.
- Mr. Evan Daniels discussed the Gear Up grants.

CHARTER SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION FOR RIVER CITY EDUCATION ORGANIZATION, INC., D/B/A SAN JOSE PREP AND SAN JOSE PRIMARY

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

- Board Member Hershey expressed concerns regarding consolidation and the lack of accountability for under-performing charter schools and inquired if this item is denied can the charter school appeal to the state, and stated that she would like to go on record to say she will not be approving this item. Dr. Greene advised that yes, they are allowed to appeal to the state.
- Dr. Greene advised that the reasons charter schools consolidate include costs, school grades, and grade cells.

CHARTER CONTRACT FOR GREAT HEARTS FLORIDA TO OPEN GREAT HEARTS - JACKSONVILLE

Dr. Diana Greene and Mr. Eugene Hays, Director, School Choice joined in the discussion on the following:

- Board Member Hershey requested clarification on application K8 or K12. Mr. Hays stated that this is an application for K12.
- Dr. Greene stated that the application was for K12, but that it would start as a K8 and add additional grade levels each year.
- Mr. Eugene Hays explained the process of charter school applications, contracts and opening times.

SETTLEMENT WITH THE DUVAL TEACHERS UNITED (DTU) FOR THE TEACHER CONTRACT

SALARY PROVISIONS

Ms. Victoria Schultz, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources joined in the discussion on the following:

- Pay scale chart levels for starting salaries.

ENTERPRISE TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT SOLUTION

Dr. Diana Greene and Mr. Paul Soares, Assistant Superintendent, Chief Operations joined in the discussion on the following:

- Previous routing schedules and software as well as a comparison with this program.
- Parents' ability to see that their child is on the bus and where the bus is located at.
- Consolidation of routes when drivers call in sick or we are short on drivers.
- Transportation will be able to locate athletic buses.
- Expectancy of when the system will be fully functioning.

FLORIDA OFFICE OF SAFE SCHOOLS (OSS), DISTRICT BEST PRACTICES ASSESSMENT 2022-2023 DUVAL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Chief Gregory Burton, Executive Director, School Police Administration joined in the discussion on the following:

- Community collaboration and public notification.
- Vice Chairman, Dr. Kelly Coker expressed appreciation for the information that was conveyed to the community at the recent event.
- Chief Burton expressed his appreciation for the combined effort of all of the district.
- Board Member Hershey requested Chief Burton to express his quote that was given at the recent event of what our officers are trained to do. Chief Burton stated "our officers are trained to go in and eliminate the threat."

Public Comment

The following signed up and spoke during Public Comment:

- Jodie Leach
- Sonny Bartley
- Mariah Cagle
- Trinity Baker
- Cindy Watson
- Haiden Baier - waived
- Gary McManus
- Wells Todd
- Charles Garrison
- Kathleen Murray

Adjournment

1. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

CRH

Superintendent

Chairman