

September 19, 2023, Agenda Committee Meeting

Dr. Kelly Coker, Chairman
Ms. Cindy Pearson, Vice-Chairman
Ms. April A. Carney
Ms. Lori Hershey
Mr. Warren A. Jones
Ms. Charlotte D. Joyce
Mr. Darryl Willie
Dr. Dana Kriznar, Superintendent

ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD: All Board Members were present except Chairwoman Dr. Coker. Dr. Dana Kriznar, Superintendent was not present. Mr. Ray Poole, Office of General Counsel, was also present.

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

Items to be Discussed

1. DRAFT AGENDA REVIEW - OCTOBER 9, 2023

RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH SPECTRUM CENTER, INC., DBA: CHANCELIGHT EDUCATION

Sonita Thompson, Chief of Staff, Paul Renfro, Chief Officer, Academic Services, and Amy Valentine, Executive Director, Exceptional Education Student Services joined in the discussion on the following:

- The number of paraprofessionals included in this contract.
- Appreciation for this program and the changes in culture in the school have made such a positive difference.
- A request was made for the total amount of funding from IDEA and FTE.

AMIRA HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT

Ms. Renfro joined in the discussion on the following:

- How the program is implemented.
- Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) within the program.
- Excitement about results over 9 week period.
- Currently prioritized for grades 1 - 4.
- The amount of grant, \$696,311 was exhausted with 20% going to charters.

APPROVAL OF 2023-24 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS

Laura Bowes, Executive Director, Chief of School joined in the discussion on the following;

- How plans are formulated and implemented in schools.

APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-FIELD TEACHERS

Vicki Schultz, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources joined in the discussion on the following:

- A list of all updated numbers will be completed after September 29th and provided the week of October 2, 2023.
- How out-of-field numbers are calculated.

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

SETTLEMENT WITH THE DUVAL TEACHERS UNITED (DTU) FOR THE 2023-2024

PARAPROFESSIONALS CONTRACT

SETTLEMENT WITH THE DUVAL TEACHERS UNITED (DTU) FOR THE 2023-024 UNITED OFFICE PERSONNEL OF DUVAL (UOPD) CONTRACT

Ms. Schultz joined in the discussion on the following:

- The recent investigation is separate from the business with DCPS and does not affect the negotiating process. DCPS is not privy to the details of the investigation. Negotiations are moving forward as usual.

AMENDMENT - ALLIED UNIVERSAL SECURITY SERVICES CONTRACT

Mrs. Thompson, Erika Harding, Assistant Superintendent, Chief Operations, and Gregory Burton, Executive Director, School Police joined in the discussion on the following;

- This augments the current services provided and adds additional armed guards. Recent legislation requires additional guards for after-school events and summers. Also, it includes sporting events based on whatever additional coverage is needed.
- Jacksonville Sheriff's Officers are also still being used.
- Cost analysis has been provided to the board.

PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE: BOUNDARY CHANGES TO THE EXISTING STUDENT ATTENDANCE AREA ZONES FOR SCHOOL #99 HIGHLANDS ELEMENTARY AND SCHOOL #250 PINE ESTATES ELEMENTARY TO COMMENCE IN THE 2024-2025 FISCAL SCHOOL YEAR

- Excitement was expressed about this item and the action going on in the district.

PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE: BOUNDARY CHANGES TO THE EXISTING STUDENT ATTENDANCE AREA ZONES FOR SCHOOL #38 BALDWIN MIDDLE-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, #216 CHARGER ACADEMY, #207 WESTSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND SCHOOL #274 WESTVIEW K-8 TO COMMENCE IN THE 2024-25 FISCAL SCHOOL YEAR

- Concerns were expressed about this item and the community of Charger Academy. A meeting will be scheduled to try to work through this item.

FLORIDA OFFICE OF SAFE SCHOOLS (OSS), DISTRICT BEST PRACTICES ASSESSMENT 2023-2024 DUVAL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Mrs. Thompson, Mr. Soares and Ms. Harding joined in the discussion on the following:

- Annual assessment process was explained.
- Appreciation expressed for Chief Burton's presentation at the September 12, 2023, workshop.

DIGITAL MEDIA SERVICES: CONTRACT AWARD

Dr. Tracy Pierce, Chief Officer, Communications joined in the discussion on the following:

- 80-90 schools are currently ready. We will be building on these with the goal of providing longer and larger campaigns.
- Marketing new facilities that may be nestled in communities and not out on thoroughfares.

APPROVAL OF THE NAME OF RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL FIELD

Mrs. Thompson and Mr. Poole joined in the discussion on the following:

- Concerns by Principal Feagins and SAC Chair regarding the community was not aware of the Facility Naming Committee Meeting. They requested a meeting which took place last night. Chairwoman Dr. Coker attended the meeting by Teams.
- The process for SAC or others to offer an additional name prior to the voting of this item was explained.
- It was noted that this renaming has been on the radar for a while and this is why the board created a policy of the process for someone to bring a name forward.

Board Member Charlotte D. Joyce arrived at 9:52 a.m.

- Board Member Joyce provided a timeline of the events leading up to this request.
- Time limits for naming were explained.
- The funding source for this item was explained.
- This item will be on the October 9, 2023 agenda.
- Background screening for individuals whose names are being considered was explained.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

1. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

CRH

Superintendent

Chairman