



Meeting Minutes Duval County Public Schools

October 9, 2023, Regular Board 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. Dr. Dana Kriznar, Superintendent, and Mr. Ray Poole, Office of General Counsel, were also present.

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation or Thought of the Day

Pledge of Allegiance

Recognitions/Presentations of Awards

Board Members

BALDWIN MIDDLE - HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTATION

Baldwin Middle/High School Principal Michael Townsend shared information about the awesome things that are taking place at the school. He had a few of the students from the school with him. Emelia, Callie, and Caleb Townsend shared their experience about attending Baldwin Middle/High School.

Board Member Joyce thanked Principal Townsend for coming to the Board Meeting and the wonderful things that are being done at Baldwin Middle/High School.

Communications

PARTNER RECOGNITION: TAXSLAYER GATOR BOWL

Team Duval is proud to have the support of community partners that dedicate their time and resources to

our schools. Tonight, we recognize TaxSlayer Gator Bowl and Gator Bowl Charities for providing support to our students and schools.

- Through the Most Valuable Teacher Initiative, Gator Bowl Charities in partnership with the College Football Playoff Foundation and FIS provide classroom grants of \$1,000 to Team Duval teachers totaling \$16,000 annually.
- TaxSlayer Gator Bowl also surprises two Duval County schools with gifts for their staff, along with a \$1,000 grant for one teacher at each of the two schools in celebration of the Extra Yard for Teachers Week.
- The annual Send a Child to the Game program provides a complimentary gameday experience including tickets, transportation, meals, and t-shirts to more than 1,200 underserved youth (and their families) to the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl.
- The organization also provides scholarships to student athletes, hosts a sports career fair to showcase a variety of sports careers to students, and support organizations such as Blessings in a Backpack.

Joining for the recognition from TaxSlayer Gator Bowl and Gator Bowl Charities is President and CEO – Greg McCarity, Katie Cox - Vice President of Marketing, Membership & Community Relations, Kayla Vanderlaan - Director of Marketing & Community Relations, and DCPS' Brandon Mack, Executive Director of Family and Community Engagement.

MURALS FOR SCHOOLS PROVIDED BY THE ART CENTER COOPERATIVE

The Arts Center Cooperative is a long-time supporter for enhancing visual arts in our schools.

- During COVID-19, The Arts Center Cooperative raised money to give art teachers art supplies. The usual sharing of supplies was not allowed, so individual packaging was required for each child, which meant more supplies.
- At the beginning of the 2020 and 2021 school years, the Cooperative raised and donated more than \$6,000 worth of art supplies to 14 elementary schools across the district.
- After COVID-19 restrictions were lifted, The Art Center Cooperative went back into schools to paint murals. The most recently painted murals are at S. P. Livingston, Merrill Road, and Brookview Elementary Schools. There is a plan to paint a mural at Holiday Hill Elementary School in 2024.
- Joining us from The Art Center Cooperative are current non-profit president Annelies Dykgraaf, Lisa Lofton, and founding member Marsha Hatcher who is also a substitute teacher for Duval County.

I'M A STAR FOUNDATION, INC.: CHECK PRESENTATION FOR DISPLACED YOUTH

Recognition of another valuable partner spotlight goes to I'm A Star Foundation.

- Established in 2010, this extraordinary foundation serves student-servant leaders from middle and high schools across Duval County to help them develop into "Smart, Talented, and Resilient" students ... STARS.
- This group is always doing great things for their peers. This summer, I'm A Star Foundation students worked to raise funds to provide resources for students in our district who are unhoused.
- The following students gave shared achievements, goals, and gave thanks to all those who have provided financial support to I'm A Star's special project: DaMaya Dukes, Jordan Sanders, and Jamie Edwards.

- I'm A Star Foundation has been a partner of Team Duval for over a decade.

A special thank you was offered by presenting I'm A Star Foundation, Incorporated with a plaque of appreciation for everything they have done for Team Duval.

PTA & PTSA: STATE AND NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED SCHOOLS

Our final recognition honors the parents and guardians who dedicate their time to improving their school communities and motivating family engagement.

- Parent Teacher Associations (PTA) and Parent Teacher Student Associations (PTSA) work to facilitate parental participation in schools.
- These individuals volunteer their time to improve the environment and experiences of the students, faculty, and staff at their schools.
- The National PTA highlights Schools of Excellence who are recognized for their commitment to building an inclusive and welcoming school-community where all families contribute to enriching the educational experience and overall well-being for all students.
- Today, we recognize seven school PTA/PTSAs who have answered the call and received this honor.
- They are:
 1. Bartram Springs Elementary PTA
 2. Douglas Anderson School of the Arts PTSA
 3. GRASP Academy PTA
 4. Hendricks Avenue Elementary PTA
 5. Paxon School of Advanced Studies PTSA
 6. San Pablo Elementary PTA
 7. Thomas Jefferson PTA
- Additionally, Team Duval had a PTSA recognized on the state-level.
- Stanton College Preparatory School's PTSA was named a President's Local Unit Achievement organization.
- The President's Local Unit Achievement Award is an honor that is presented to a PTA or PTSA for outstanding achievement in improving the quality of their organization in:
 1. Compliance
 2. Membership
 3. And training at the county/region and state level.

Approval of Agenda

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 9, 2023, AGENDA

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board approve the October 9, 2023, agenda as submitted on October 2, 2023 with the following changes:

- **Approval of Minutes: September 7, 2023, Facility Naming Committee Meeting - Item removed (approved on September 11, 2023).**
- **Operations - Facilities Project Design, Construction and Maintenance: Public Hearing and Vote: Boundary Changes to the Existing Student Attendance Area Zones for School #38, Baldwin Middle-High School, #216 Charger Academy, #207 Westside Middle School, and School #274 Westview K-8 to Commence in the 2024-25 Fiscal School Year - Item Removed**

- **Board Member Travel: November 28 - December 1, 2023, Tampa, FL -Florida School Boards Association/Florida Association of School Superintendents (FSBA/FADSS) - 78th Annual Joint Conference - Coker, Pearson, Carney, Hershey, Jones, Joyce, and Willie - Item Amended.**

Vote Results:

Motion: Charlotte D. Joyce

Second: Warren A. Jones

No discussion.

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey

Warren A. Jones

Charlotte D. Joyce

Darryl Willie

Kelly Coker

Cynthia Pearson

April A. Carney

Nay:

None

Chairperson's Report

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Through a PowerPoint Presentation, Chairman Dr. Coker presented the following:

- Focus of the Board - Superintendent Search Update
- Recent Board Activities - Board in Review
- Recent Board Activities:
 - Read USA - Peace in the Pages
 - Ribault Middle School Athletic Program
 - ELEVATE Ambassadors
 - JPEF Ed Talks
- Board Celebrations: Council of Great City Schools
- Upcoming Dates & Items of Interest
- Let's Kick Cancer!

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

Through a PowerPoint Presentation, Dr. Dana Kriznar presented the following:

- Congratulations to Board Member Jones - Finalist for the Council of Great City School Green-Garner Award
- Accreditation Update
- 2023-2024 Principal of the Year Finalist

- 2023-2024 Assistant Principal of the Year Finalist
- Jean Ribault High School Groundbreaking
- Naturalization Ceremony at Englewood High School
- Congratulations to Ribault Middle School!
- Congratulations to Baldwin Middle/Senior High School!
- Ribbon Cutting - Englewood High School Culinary Arts Program
- Book Adoption for Social Studies
- Unity Day
- Fall Sports
- Gateway Champs for Swimming - Fletcher
- School Safety Update - School Vestibules

Department Reports

No reports.

Comments from District Student Government Association

Jacob Diedrich, student of Stanton College Prep

- Expressed gratitude for personal laptops and electronic devices
- Issues:
 - Restrictions on laptops
 - Students and faculty have trouble accessing websites and resources: grade portal, FOCUS, outlook, AP classroom etc.
- Laptops not up to speed

Jaden Tran, student of Stanton College Prep

- Expressed appreciation for wellness videos for Wellness Wednesdays
- Issues about student engagement and the showing of the videos
- Suggest face-to-face Wellness Wednesday or student wellness led session to encourage student engagement

Nia Phillip, student of Paxon School for Advanced Studies

"To start off, we would love to acknowledge the board's efforts to perfect Wellness Wednesday and enact health programs for students. Additionally, we would also love to highlight everyone showing up today for the betterment of schools in Duval county! We have made a lot of progress and I'm so proud to say i am a student of DCPS. When I think of how to take care of students here, I think about student's physical health. Drinking and vaping in school is still an issue. Here at JAGS we have spoken about how most students aren't aware of the negative effects of these practices and we would love to see our students find a stand still health future!

Us Jags representatives are extremely grateful to our faculty and staff for allowing us to speak at this meeting and we hope you enjoy your evening."

Sales Surtax Oversight Committee Report

No report.

Public Comment

The following spoke during public comment:

- Pastor R.L. Gundy
- Melissa Bernhardt
- Deborah Lewis
- Joseph Maceo George
- Van Henderson
- Lorre Mendelson
- Greg Carter
- Rhodesia Butler
- Erica Whitfield
- Darlene Miller
- Tim Miller
- James Jackson
- Dan Merkan
- Robert Stafford
- Denise Scott
- Monica Smith
- D. Angel Edwards
- Jake McCauley
- Leah Kennelly
- Angel B.
- Justin Kugler
- Shannon Shanklin
- Stephan Kinnamon
- Dr. Jennifer Kent
- LaShonda 'LJ' Holloway
- JoAnn Brooks
- Mandy Rubin
- LeTrenna Mosley
- Steve Hyers
- Gamble Scott
- Norman Abraham
- Jessica Willson
- Douglas Milne
- Melody Bolduc
- Holli Dean
- James Eddy
- Joseph Spencer
- L.J. Valenzuela
- Terre Harold Jackson
- Kathleen Murray
- Rob Lawrence
- David Lawrence
- Dr. Cnythia Smith
- Dr. Jennifer Cowart
- Patti Price

- Dr. Baker
- Thom McGuire
- Brittany Beimourtrusting
- Michael Anderson

The following waived to speak:

- Annie Gomez
- Kim Gossett
- Matt Derechin
- Kat M.
- Paula Aguirre
- Lorna Bracewell
- Mason Manion
- Savah Robinson
- Y. White
- Ashley Goswwami
- Sunni Stevens

Comments from Parent Organizations

Michael Hawk, President of District Advisory Council (DAC)

Tiffany Graham, Vice President of DCCPTA & PTSA

Comments from Employee Organizations

Frank DeLong, IBEW

Approval of Minutes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board approved the following minutes:

- ~~September 7, 2023, Facility Naming Committee Meeting~~ - Item Removed (approved on September 11, 2023)
- September 11, 2023, Special Board Meeting - Approval of 2023-2024 Final Millage and Final Budget
- September 11, 2023, Regular Board Meeting
- September 12, 2023, Board Workshop
- September 12, 2023, Board Workshop - Superintendent
- September 13, 2023, Special Board Meeting - Student Expulsion Hearing
- September 19, 2023, Agenda Committee Meeting
- September 19, 2023, Board Workshop
- September 20, 2023, Policy Handbook Review Committee Meeting

Vote Results:

Motion: Charlotte D. Joyce

Second: Darryl Willie

No discussion.

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey

Warren A. Jones

Charlotte D. Joyce

Darryl Willie

Kelly Coker

Cynthia Pearson

April A. Carney

Nay:

None

Approval of Consent Agenda

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board approve the Consent Agenda.

Board Member Joyce requested that item #24 Approval of the name of Riverside High School Football Field be placed on consent for approval with comment.

Board Member Willie also requested that item #24 Approval of the name of Riverside High School Football Field be placed on consent for discussion.

Vote Results:

Motion: April A. Carney

Second: Warren A. Jones

No discussion.

Voted on consent agenda as amended.

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey

Warren A. Jones

Charlotte D. Joyce

Darryl Willie

Kelly Coker

Cynthia Pearson

April A. Carney

Nay:
None

Consent Agenda

Board Members

Academic Services

1. AGREEMENT WITH NETWORK FOR TEACHER ENTREPRENEURSHIP (NFTE)
2. RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH SPECTRUM CENTER, INC., DBA: CHANCELIGHT EDUCATION
3. AMIRA HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT
4. APPROVAL OF THE 2023-2024 AGREEMENT WITH IMAGINE LEARNING, INC.
5. APPROVAL OF 2023-24 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS

School Choice and Pupil Assignments

Human Resource Services - Staffing

6. HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES EMPLOYEE TRANSACTIONS
7. APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-FIELD TEACHERS

Human Resource Services - Compensation

8. SETTLEMENT WITH THE DUVAL TEACHERS UNITED (DTU) FOR THE TEACHER CONTRACT
9. SETTLEMENT WITH THE DUVAL TEACHERS UNITED (DTU) FOR THE 2023-2024 PARAPROFESSIONALS CONTRACT
10. SETTLEMENT WITH THE DUVAL TEACHERS UNITED (DTU) FOR THE 2023-2024 UNITED OFFICE PERSONNEL OF DUVAL (UOPD) CONTRACT

Human Resource Services - Labor Relations

11. RENEWAL FOR GROUP HEALTH PLAN CONSULTANT SERVICES

Human Resource Services - Professional Standards

12. EMPLOYEE SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY – HUNTER BAUCOM

Administration and Business Services - Budget and Financial

13. ADOPTION OF BUDGET RESOLUTIONS – JULY/AUGUST 2023

Information Technology

Operations - Real Estate, Planning and Programming

14. AMENDMENT – ALLIED UNIVERSAL SECURITY SERVICES CONTRACT

Operations - Facilities Project Design, Construction and Maintenance

15. PREQUALIFICATIONS OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS FOR EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

16. CHANGE ORDER REPORT

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

18. CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT ON ITB-033-23/JR

19. FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AT RISK SERVICES CONTRACT FOR RENOVATIONS, CLASSROOM ADDITIONS AND MULTI-SYSTEM CAPITAL RENEWAL PROJECT AT DUNCAN FLETCHER HIGH SCHOOL NO. 223 - RFP NO. 14-23/TW - PROJECT NO. P-8951003

20. SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AT RISK SERVICES CONTRACT FOR NEW JEAN RIBAUT HIGH SCHOOL - PROJECT RFQ NO. 04-23/TW - PROJECT NO. P-91710

Operations - Purchasing and Logistics

21. AUGUST 2023 PURCHASE REPORT

22. SURPLUS PROPERTY RETIREMENT REPORT

Chief of Staff

23. DIGITAL MEDIA SERVICES: CONTRACT AWARD

General

Emergency Agenda Items

Discussion

Chief of Staff

24. APPROVAL OF THE NAME OF RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL FIELD

Motion:

Pursuant to Board Policy 8.591, on September 6, 2023, the Facility Naming Committee met to consider a request submitted by Board Member Charlotte Joyce to name the Riverside High School Stadium after Leon Barrett and that the stadium be called Leon Barrett Stadium. The Committee voted 6-0 to recommend that the stadium be named Leon Barrett Stadium.

The Committee's recommendation was based, in part, on Leon Barrett's 68 years of service to Duval County School District as a teacher and a coach, and in later years as a volunteer and substitute teacher, who positively impacted the lives of numerous students, as described by many former students during the September 7, 2023 meeting.

Vote Results:

Motion: Charlotte D. Joyce

Second: April A. Carney

Discussion involved:

- A timeline regarding the request for the name change was reviewed.
- The resume submitted for Leon Barrett was read.
- The policy needs to be tweaked as it is new, and lessons are being learned.
- The financial piece of the name change.
- A conversation between the Board Member and the School Advisory Committee (SAC) Chair.
- The alumni from Riverside High School will be handling all the finances needed regarding the name change.
- Chairman Dr. Coker had attended the SAC meeting on Board Member Joyce's behalf, since she was not available at the scheduled time.
- Board Member Joyce did attend another SAC meeting that had been scheduled for later.
- The Riverside High SAC had concerns about the merits of the person whom the field was being

named after and the policy.

- The number of times the Facility Naming Committee meeting has been postponed was shared.
- The SAC used to make the decisions based on the procedures the schools undertook prior to the policy change.
- The Board is caught between the SAC and the alumni.
- Inquiry was made about Coach Barrett allegedly stating that he nor the alumni would step foot back into the school if the name changed.
- It was shared that Coach Barrett expressed that he loved the faculty, the students, and that the school was great no matter what the name was.
- The alumni provides funding for scholarships.
- Inquiry was made if the alumni would go back to providing funding for the teachers to purchase supplies. Board Member Joyce has no knowledge of this arrangement but is aware that the alumni donate money to the school.
- When a facility is named, it keeps the name for five years, then it can be changed again.
- The process is concerning, but the person is worthy of the name.
- Clarification was provided about the Facility Naming Committee Meeting.
- Information was shared about 1st amendment retaliation and there being a problem if the Board Members rejected the name due to the person's position of a matter.
- In moments like this, we look at merits, the heart of the person, and the best predictor of future behavior is past behavior.
- The list of facilities that had been named after people was reviewed along with their qualifications.
- Accolades were shared regarding Coach Barrett.
- Coach Barrett has great accomplishments, but the policy that is in place is bad.
- The first time the policy is used, it should be right.
- The financial piece for the name change was provided to the Board just before the Board meeting.
- The policy needs to reflect what the Board wants out of it.
- Inquiry was made about postponing to a time certain, which would be in November, to get the pieces together. An explanation was provided.
- There is nothing in the policy that speaks about a timeframe to reconsider a name if voted down.

Board Member Willie then made a motion to postpone to a time certain being November 7, 2023, next Regular School Board meeting. Board Member Jones seconded.

Discussion involved:

Vice Chair Pearson:

- Would not be supporting the motion and that she was ready to vote now.
- Supporting the name change.

Board Member Hershey:

- The policy passed 7-0. At first SAC approved and then they changed their mind.
- Request for the names of the Facility Naming Committee members who were at the meeting.

Board Member Jones:

- Explained why he supported the deferral.

Board Member Joyce:

- Addressed the concern around SAC.

- Dr. Krizner explained about facility renaming and Chief of Staff, Corey Wright explained the process.
- The SAC Chair requested for a policy to be created and stated that both SAC and DAC would be willing to assist.
- The Board being elected officials create policy.

Vice Chair Pearson:

- Rejects the idea of having to wait for football season to come back around because there are other sports.

Motion: to postpone to time certain November 7, 2023, Regular Board Meeting.

FAILED 2-5

Aye:

Warren A. Jones
Darryl Willie

Nay:

Lori Hershey
Charlotte D. Joyce
Kelly Coker
Cynthia Pearson
April D. Carney

Motion:

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Vote Results:

Motion: Charlotte D. Joyce

Second: April A. Carney

Discussion:

Chairman Dr. Coker stated that there is a problem with the policy. It will not interfere with her vote, thinks the Board needs to go back and look at the policy. There are people who follow the policy as it was passed unanimously and will support the item.

PASSED 6-1

Aye:

Lori Hershey
Warren A. Jones

Charlotte D. Joyce
Kelly Coker
Cynthia Pearson
April A. Carney

Nay:
Darryl Willie

Operations - Facilities Project Design, Construction and Maintenance

25. 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

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed boundary changes to the existing student attendance area zones for School #99 Highlands Elementary and School #250 Pine Estates Elementary Schools; and,

That the Duval County School Board, following the Public Hearing, approve the recommended boundary changes to the attendance area zones for School #99 Highlands Elementary and School #250 Pine Estates Elementary School for the 2024-2025 Fiscal School Year as provided in the attached map.

Opened public hearing.
Closed public hearing.

Vote Results:

Motion: Darryl Willie

Second: Cynthia Pearson

Discussion:

Board Member Willie expressed his excitement about this project. Wanted to make sure that the public is aware that there is going to be a brand new school being built. Also gave a shout to Principal Richie Graham who has relocated over to M.L.K. for the year. She made a seamless transition and when she returns, he can't wait to see what she will do.

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey
Warren A. Jones
Charlotte D. Joyce
Darryl Willie
Kelly Coker
Cynthia Pearson
April A. Carney

Nay:

None

26. PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE: BOUNDARY CHANGES TO THE EXISTING STUDENT ATTENDANCE AREA ZONES FOR SCHOOL #94 WINDY HILL ELEMENTARY AND SCHOOL #76 SOUTHSIDE ESTATES ELEMENTARY TO COMMENCE IN THE 2024-2025 FISCAL SCHOOL YEAR

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed boundary changes to the existing student attendance area zones for School #94 Windy Hill Elementary and School #76 Southside Estates Elementary School; and,

That the Duval County School Board, following the Public Hearing, approve the recommended boundary changes to the attendance area zones for School #94 Windy Hill Elementary and School #76 Southside Estates Elementary School for the 2024-2025 Fiscal School Year as provided in the attached map.

Opened public hearing.

Closed public hearing.

Vote Results:

Motion: Cynthia Pearson

Second: April A. Carney

Vice Chair Pearson shared that this was an exciting event for Southside Estates and Windy Hill communities to have a new school. She shared information about a new park area that will be a part of this. She also added about a new charter school is being built.

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey

Warren A. Jones

Charlotte D. Joyce

Darryl Willie

Kelly Coker

Cynthia Pearson

April A. Carney

Nay:

None

~~27. PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE: BOUNDARY CHANGES TO THE EXISTING STUDENT ATTENDANCE AREA ZONES FOR SCHOOL #38 BALDWIN MIDDLE-HIGH SCHOOL, #216 CHARGER ACADEMY, #207 WESTSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND SCHOOL #274 WESTVIEW K-8 TO COMMENCE IN THE 2024-25 FISCAL SCHOOL YEAR~~

Operations - Purchasing and Logistics

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

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board approve the Office of Safe Schools, District Best Practices Assessment 2023-2024, for submission to the Florida Department of Education, Office of Safe Schools.

Opened public hearing.

Closed public hearing.

Vote Results:

Motion: April A. Carney

Second: Darryl Willie

No discussion.

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey

Warren A. Jones

Charlotte D. Joyce

Darryl Willie

Kelly Coker

Cynthia Pearson

April A. Carney

Nay:

None

General

Emergency Agenda Items

Board Member Travel

BOARD MEMBER 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:

- **October 13-14, 2023 - Parkland, FL - Parkland School Guided Visitation - Pearson**
- **November 28 - December 1, 2023 - Tampa, FL - Florida School Boards Association/ Florida Association District School Superintendents (FSBA/FADSS) 78th Annual Joint Conference - Coker, Pearson, Carney, Hershey, Jones, Joyce, and Willie**

No comments.

Vote Results:

Motion: Charlotte D. Joyce

Second: Cynthia Pearson

No discussion.

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey

Warren A. Jones

Charlotte D. Joyce

Darryl Willie

Kelly Coker

Cynthia Pearson

April A. Carney

Nay:

None

Superintendent's Travel

SUPERINTENDENT'S TRAVEL

Motion:

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

- **November 28 - December 1, 2023, Tampa, FL - Florida School Boards Association (FSBA) / Florida Association District School Superintendents (FADSS) Joint Annual Conference**

No comments.

Vote Results:

Motion: Charlotte D. Joyce

Second: Darryl Willie

No discussion.

PASSED 7-0

Aye:

Lori Hershey

Warren A. Jones

Charlotte D. Joyce

Darryl Willie

Kelly Coker

Cynthia Pearson

April A. Carney

Nay:

None

For The Record

Board Member Joyce:

- Thanked Board Member Jones for calling the special meeting for the attendance zone boundary changes for Chaffee Trail Middle School.
- Thanked the students from JAG, who represented the student body for sharing their concerns.
- Thanked Dr. Kriznar for wearing pink supporting breast cancer.
- Expressed excitement about going to tour the Marjory Stoneman Douglas School.

Board Member Willie:

- Lift up prayers for Chief Burton.
- The I'm A Star Foundation and the funds they raised for homeless students.
- Thanked all who attended the groundbreaking for Jean Ribault High School.
- Northwest classic weekend: Jean Ribault will win next weekend.
- Thanked everyone for the Kick Cancer support.
- A letter regarding clarification on the African American History standards was sent to the Department of Education from some of the Board Members and FSBA.
- Congratulated all the Principals and Assistant Principals of the Year.
- Board Member Willie was taken back by a student statement, "Not sure about our fate...", The statement raised concerns for him with everything that is transpiring in the world.

Board Member Hershey:

- Spoke about Kick Cancer month.
- State Representative Baker's visit to Atlantic Coast High School.
- Atlantic Coast High School Principal, George was recognized as a Principal of the Year.
- Mandarin High School SAC lifted up VyStar Credit Union.
- Shout out to the 27 students who were recognized as semifinalists for the National Merit Scholars.
- Congratulated Board Member Jones on his recognition of the Green-Garner Award.

Board Member Jones:

- Commended Board Member Willie for his book, 'Jeremy's Travel'
- Shout out to Coach Earl S. Kitchen for being inducted into the Florida High School Hall of Fame. Congratulated Raines High School for being a part of the organization since 1968.
- Keep Chief Burton and family in prayer.
- Congratulated all the Principals and Assistant Principals of the Year.

Board Member Carney

- Visit aboard the Prince of Wales aircraft carrier at Mayport. Thanked Skipper Bender and Miss Conseca for their assistance.
- Expressed excitement that Alimacanni Elementary and Fletcher High School have applied to be Purple Star Schools.
- Fletcher High School:
 - Homecoming and great school spirit.
 - TaxSlayer recognized one of the teachers as the most valuable teacher.
 - National Merit Scholars accommodation.
 - The Fletcher Mock Trial Team went to Chicago and placed 4th.

- o Congratulated the Fletcher swim team on Gateway.
- Shared that she does diligent fact-checking before bringing an item to the Board. To imply that she has some racist undertone in her comments is appalling. Think about the time we are in, and how much is going on, not just in Duval County but in this world, and have some sensitivity when you speak. You may not necessarily know what is going on in somebody else's life. It shows an example to our children too, when we speak to one another. Perhaps we should give one another a little grace.
- Lift up Chief Burton and family in prayer.

Vice Chairman Pearson:

- Naturalization Ceremony at Englewood High School. Thanked Judge Timotheo Corrigan and Susan Judas for partnering with DCPS and having the ceremonies at the school.
- Douglas Anderson School of the Arts 1st College Showcase. Thanked Jackie Cornelious, the DA Foundation, Natalie Hyder, Principal Tina Wilson, and the DA PTSA for their work and support for this event.
- Thanked the Murals for Schools Project for Art Center Cooperative.
- Brief update about the COSSBA Advocacy Conference in DC and FSBA Board of Directors and Legislative Agenda Conference in Gainesville, Florida.

Chairman Dr. Coker:

- Thanked the people who spoke about state items that are taking place.
- Shout out to GRASP Principal Powell for the PTSA recognition.
- October is Dyslexia Awareness Month.
- Thanked Councilmember Gay for celebrating DCPS for opening the doors at the District 2 school, New Berlin Elementary, to host the community meeting with Mayor Donna Deegan. Thanked the Operations Department and district leadership for their part in making the event happen.
- Shout out to Arlington Heights Elementary School Principal Paula Findlay for being recognized as Principal of the Year and receiving the Marjory Broward Memorial Scholarship from Read USA.
- Thanked Board Member Willie for his advocacy of Kick Cancer.

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Vote Results:

Motion: Charlotte D. Joyce

Second: Cindy Pearson

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Aye:

Lori Hershey
 Warren A. Jones
 Charlotte D. Joyce
 Darryl Willie
 Kelly Coker
 Cynthia Pearson
 April A. Carney

Nay:
None
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Superintendent

Chairman