



Meeting Minutes Duval County Public Schools

January 23, 2024, Agenda Committee Meeting

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

ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD: All Board Members were present. Dr. Dana Kriznar, Superintendent, and Ian Gregorchik, Office of General Counsel, were also present. *Vice-Chairman Joyce arrived at 9:05 a.m.*

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

Items to be Discussed

1. DRAFT AGENDA REVIEW - FEBRUARY 6, 2024

APPROVAL OF 2024-2028 CONTRACT WITH TRINSIC LLC D/B/A CIC PLANNING GROUP FOR THE EDUCATION, INNOVATION, AND RESEARCH (DUVAL IDEAS) GRANT PROJECT

APPROVAL OF 2024-2028 CONTRACT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA (UNF) FOR THE EDUCATION, INNOVATION, AND RESEARCH (DUVAL IDEAS) GRANT PROJECT

Dr. Dana Kriznar, Paula Renfro, Chief Officer, Academic Services, and Amy Valentine, Executive Director, Exceptional Education/Student Services joined in the discussion on the following:

- A request for an annual review of the progress of this item.
- Requirements to receive the stipend.
- A budget narrative will be provided to the Board.
- Total amount of grant received.
- A request to attend a training session was made.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL STEM2 HUB

Dr. Kriznar and Corey Wright, Chief of Staff joined in the discussion on the following:

- A list of the previous costs and data points was requested.
- How schools were selected.

APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH STEMFUSE

Dr. Kriznar joined in the discussion on the following:

- A request for the number of teachers who have received their certification will be brought back to the Board.
- The amount and requirements of completion to receive the stipend.

RENEWAL OF CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT (CHARTER) FOR DUVAL CHARTER SCHOOL AT MANDARIN

RENEWAL OF CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT (CHARTER) FOR DUVAL CHARTER SCHOOL AT SOUTHSIDE

RENEWAL OF CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT (CHARTER) FOR OUTREACH CHARTER ACADEMY

RENEWAL OF CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT (CHARTER) SEACOAST CHARTER ACADEMY

RENEWAL OF CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT (CHARTER) SEASIDE CHARTER ACADEMY NORTH

RENEWAL OF CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT (CHARTER) FOR SCHOOL OF SUCCESS (SOS) ACADEMY

RENEWAL OF CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT (CHARTER) FOR TIGER ACADEMY

Dr. Kriznar, Mr. Wright, Eugene Hays, Director, School Choice; Ericka Harding, Assistant Superintendent, Chief Operations, and Scott Schneider, Chief of Schools joined in the discussion on the following:

- Transparency in charter schools. A list of the schools who are being renewed who are not being transparent was requested.
- The process of school grades and length of renewal for charter schools was explained.
- Changes to the State Statutes regarding the renewal length.
- A request for a list of the schools who are and are not transparent with half penny surtax.
- The difference in turnaround requirements and options for charter schools versus district schools was explained.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS - TEACHER, GENERIC

Dr. Kriznar, and Vicki Schultz, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources joined in the discussion on the following:

- Onboard process was explained.
- Benefits of being paid while completing an internship.
- Excitement about the program was expressed.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, INTERNAL BOARD AUDITOR

Dr. Kriznar, Mr. Wright and Ms. Schultz joined in the discussion on the following:

- Rationale for changes and applicant responses update.
- A request for the Audit Advisory Committee (AAC) evaluation subcommittee meeting to have a

meeting prior to this item being voted on as they would like to explore the possibility of having 2 positions - one auditor and one other person to work the tasks. It was stated that Ms. Schultz gained information individually as there was no time to schedule and properly notice a meeting. It was stated there were additional AAC members that wanted to sit in on this meeting.

- The possibility for a specialize firm to do some of these services.
- A review of other larger districts and their structures verses job requirements.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - NOVEMBER 2023

Ronald Fagan, Chief Financial Officer joined in the discussion on the following:

- An overview of the financial statements was given.
- Individual Board Members and their AAC member will be meeting with Mr. Fagan.

LEASED LIT OR LEASED DARK FIBER WIDE AREA NETWORK (WAN) AMENDMENT

Dr. Kriznar and Jim Culbert, Chief Officer, Technology Services joined in the discussion on the following:

- A brief overview of the contract and item was explained.

CASTALDI ANALYSIS FOR FIVE (5) ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FOR FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION APPROVAL

Dr. Kriznar and Ms. Harding joined in the discussion on the following:

- Adamant request for the Castaldi report for Ortega Elementary School be changed to not include the wording of demolition of the main building. It was stated that other Castaldi reports on schools do not include the demolished language.
- A request for the language of the Master Facility Plan (MFP) for these projects match the Castaldi reports.
- Cost of repairs and upgrades comparisons were discussed.
- Proposed legislation HB109 and the effects of surplus property.
- A suggestion was made to make sure the language in the MFP is adjusted to reflect these concerns.

AMENDMENT TO THE DESIGN SERVICES PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT CONTRACT - RENOVATIONS, CLASSROOM ADDITIONS AND MULTI-SYSTEM CAPITAL RENEWAL PROJECT AT DUNCAN U. FLETCHER HIGH SCHOOL #223 - PROJECT RFQ NO. 06-23/TW

Dr. Kriznar and Ms. Harding joined in the discussion on the following:

- An overview of the additions was explained.
- Renovations and additional classrooms were identified prior to the 1-mill and were originally included in the MFP.

SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION AND CERTIFICATION OF FINAL INSPECTIONS OF CULINARY ARTS PROJECT OVER \$1,000,000, CULINARY ARTS RENOVATIONS AT ENGLEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL #3090 - DCSB PROJECT NO. C-99530

- Appreciation was expressed for this project.
- Advised that this is featured in the January/February edition of Edible Magazine.

PHASE III CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS APPROVAL NEW K-5 PROTOTYPE ENGLEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL - PROJECT NO. P-91750

- Discrepancy in the recommendation. It is listed as an elementary school.

PHASE III CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS APPROVAL NEW K-5 PROTOTYPE PICKETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - PROJECT NO. P-91730

Dr. Kriznar and Ms. Harding joined in the discussion on the following:

- Inquiry as to the difference in the budget amount for this project. It was stated a presentation on the time sensitive projects will be given in the workshop today.

DIRECT SUPPORT ORGANIZATION

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

- It was explained that there would be an initial direct investment for the district.
- Some grants are only available if there is a 501C3.
- What this organization will do in comparison to what Jacksonville Public Education Program (JPEF) was requested. It was explained that the mission of JPEF is to support public education. Their mission is not to support Duval County Public Schools (DCPS).
- Concerns were expressed regarding the cost for the district.
- It was explained that it would benefit the district to have people going into the community and tell the story of DCPS. Positions needed were explained also.
- Old by-law information regarding this is available in the board office.
- Appreciation for JPEF was expressed.
- It was noted that there are churches and different organizations that would like to give and support, but don't necessarily want to donate to JPEF, but would give to the foundation.
- It was stated the purpose of the organization is to provide direct support to the schools, and we certainly do not wish to offend JPEF as a partner.
- A request for information on the grants that would be available and the amounts.

Public Comment

The following person spoke during public comment:

- John Nooney

Adjournment

1. ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board move to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Vote Results:

Motion: Dr. Kelly Coker

Second: Cindy Pearson

PASSED: 7-0

Aye:

Darryl Willie

Charlotte D. Joyce
April A. Carney
Dr. Kelly Coker
Lori Hershey
Warren A. Jones
Cindy Pearson

Nay:
None

CRH

Superintendent

Chairman