



Meeting Minutes

Duval County Public Schools

June 18, 2025, Agenda Committee Meeting

Ms. Charlotte D. Joyce, Chairman
Ms. April A. Carney, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Reginald Blount
Ms. Melody A. Bolduc
Ms. Cindy Pearson
Mr. Anthony Ricardo
Mr. Darryl D. Willie
Dr. Christopher Bernier, Superintendent

ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD: All Board Members were present except for Charlotte Joyce. Dr. Christopher Bernier, Superintendent, and Mr. Michael Fackler, Office of General Counsel, were 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 - JULY 1, 2025

SELECTION OF FLORIDA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (FSBA) ADVOCACY COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE

Dr. Bernier and Michael Fackler joined in the discussion on the following:

- FSBA platform versus Duval County School Board (DCSB). The process of how DCSB chooses their items was explained.
- A recommendation for the Board Chair to be the same as the Legislative Chair.
- An overview of the responsibilities for these positions was given.
- A suggestion for the Board to define parameters on legislative topics to avoid uncomfortable situations.
- A recommendation when a Board Member is speaking in public, to make it clear they are speaking as a Board Member and not as a representative for the entire Board.
- A recommendation for a new Board Member to assume the position and the information and experience that can be gained from doing so was explained.
- A recommendation for Board Member Bolduc to serve in the Liason position and Anthony Ricardo to serve as alternate was made. Confidence was expressed in both Board Members' ability to hold the positions.

- The need for the Board to recognize the effect of silence on certain items, and steps to take in the future were discussed.

INSTRUCTURE (CANVAS), PROFESSIONAL LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Dr. Bernier and Paula Renfro, Chief Officer, Academic Services, joined in the discussion on the following:

- An explanation of the system and registration was given.

APPROVAL OF THE UNITED WAY OF NORTHEAST FLORIDA FULL SERVICE SCHOOLS

Dr. Bernier and Ms. Renfro joined in the discussion on the following:

- Funding.

APPROVAL OF FLDOE MENTAL HEALTH ALLOCATION PLAN

Dr. Bernier joined in the discussion on the following:

- Financial impact.

APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH LEXIA LEARNING FOR LEXIA CORE 5 BLENDED LEARNING AND READING INTERVENTION, K-5

Dr. Bernier and Ms. Renfro joined in the discussion on the following:

- The program is for all students K-5 and is part of interventions adoption in March.

APPROVAL OF JACKSONVILLE TEACHER RESIDENCY PROGRAM

Dr. Bernier joined in the discussion on the following:

- Appreciation was expressed for the program.
- Reasons why teachers don't choose Duval County after completion of the program were explained. A bring back on the numbers was requested.

APPROVAL AGREEMENTS WITH READ USA, INC. FOR TUTORING SERVICES

Dr. Bernier and Ms. Renfro joined in the discussion on the following:

- Changes in the schools for the 2025-2026 school year.
- Additional schools benefit from READ USA through different grants.
- Appreciation was expressed to Dr. Kelly and READ USA for their efforts.
- How schools are chosen was explained.

APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH CURRICULUM ASSOCIATES FOR I-READY AND READ FLORIDA B.E.S.T. MATHEMATICS INTERVENTION K-5

Dr. Bernier and Ms. Renfro joined in the discussion on the following:

- Financial impact and last year's utilization of the program was requested.

COUNCIL OF THE GREAT CITY SCHOOLS (CGCS) MEMBERSHIP DUES AND FEES 2025-2026

Dr. Bernier joined in the discussion of the following.

- Funding.
- Board participation is available if needed.

REQUEST TO MODIFY THE CHARTER CONTRACT FOR JACKSONVILLE CLASSICAL ACADEMY EAST TO CHANGE STUDENTS SERVED

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

- Clarification of the request was given, which was due to a decrease in the number of students enrolled.
- School grades.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS - DIRECTOR, FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Dr. Bernier and Jacqueline Watkins, Chief Officer, Human Resources joined in the discussion on the following:

- Currently, it is a new position. 2 supervisor positions were absorbed, combining the two into one position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS - ASSISTANT PROJECT MANAGER COORDINATOR, MAJOR FACILITIES PROJECT

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MAJOR FACILITIES PROJECTS

Dr. Bernier, Ms. Watkins and Mr. Culbert joined in the discussion on the following:

- Combined positions to create an in-house position.
- Ability to exchange experience for degrees.
- Appreciation was expressed for giving current employees the opportunity to advance, which will further enhance retention.
- Appreciation expressed to Human Resources for their great job.

Break at 1:22 A.M.

Return from break at 11:14 A.M.

APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING FOR REFERENDUM PAY - 2025-2026

Dr. Bernier and Ms. Watkins joined in the discussion on the following:

- Appreciation was expressed to the community for supporting this item and the impact on academics, arts and sports.
- Benefits to both students and staff and a reminder this is not a permanent item.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - APRIL 2025

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

- Overview of the financial statements.

AISERVICEX-BLENDING A1 AND ITSM FOR NEXT-GEN SERVICE MANAGEMENT

Dr. Bernier and Mr. Culbert joined in the discussion on the following:

- An overview of the items was given.
- Product licensing.

ADOPT THE DUVAL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES PLAN

Dr. Bernier and Michael Ramirez, Chief of Staff, joined in the discussion on the following:

- An overview of what the plan is and the State filing requirements.

INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

Dr. Bernier and Mr. Culbert joined in the discussion on the following:

- An explanation of the services was explained.
- Limitation of the use of chemicals.

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES CONTRACTS GSA 4 - FIRST (1ST) CONTRACT RENEWAL FOR STUDENT TRANSPORTATION OF AMERICA

Dr. Bernier and Mr. Culbert joined in the discussion on the following:

- Status of contract and amount were requested.
- Complaints from families regarding tardy, missed bus runs, etc.
- Fines.
- Lack of drivers continues.
- Tracking on buses.
- A request to make sure drivers are cleared prior to the start of school for Mayport Middle.
- A request for back-to-school graphics to share on Board Member's social media pages.

MAY 2025 PURCHASE REPORT

Dr. Bernier and Mr. Culbert joined in the discussion on the following:

- Heavy-duty ground equipment. Information will be provided as a bring back.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT - JANE DOE v. DCSB

Dr. Bernier joined in the discussion on the following:

- The item corresponds to the incident at Douglas Anderson and will receive additional information.

PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE: MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2025-2026 STUDENT PROGRESSION PLAN

- Appreciation was expressed to Paul Renfro and Wendolyn Dunlap, Executive Director, High School Programs, for their work on this item.

Comments from Elected Officials

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

1. ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board move to adjourn the meeting at 12:14 p.m.

Vote Results:

Motion: Anthony Ricardo

Second: Melody Bolduc

PASSED: 6 - 0

Aye:

April A. Carney

Melody A. Bolduc

Reginald Blount

Cindy Pearson

Anthony Ricardo

Darryl D. Willie

Nay:

None

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Superintendent

Chairman