



# Meeting Minutes Duval County Public Schools

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## August 19, 2025, Board Workshop

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. Dr. Christopher Bernier, Superintendent, and Ms. Taylor Phillips, Office of General Counsel, were also present.

### Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 A.M.

### Items to be Discussed

#### 1. SAFETY & SECURITY QUARTERLY UPDATE

Glenn Virdin, Supervisor, School Police, presented a PowerPoint presentation, Quarterly Monitoring Visits April - June 2025. He and Dr. Christopher Bernier, Superintendent, joined in the discussion on the following:

- School inspection data.

*The meeting was recessed at 9:04 A.M.*

*The meeting was reconvened at 12:50 P.M.*

#### 2. AUDIT PLAN OVERVIEW

Melvin Dodson, Internal Board Auditor, presented a PowerPoint Presentation Internal Board Audit and Internal Audit and joined in the discussion on the following:

- Annual audit plan methodology.
- Proposed Audit Plan 2025-2026.
- The level and definition of risks were explained.

- Appreciation was expressed for the work and findings over the last 6 months.

### 3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT UPDATE

Corey Wright, Chief Officer, Accountability & Assessment, Paula Renfro, Chief Officer, Academic Services, and Scott Schneider, Chief Of Schools, presented a PowerPoint presentation, Key Priority: Advance Student Growth and Achievement. They and Dr. Bernier, Superintendent, joined in the discussion on the following:

- School/District grade components.
- School grade overview.
- Student attendance.
- Lead meetings.
- College and career readiness.
- Increasing proficiency.
- Principal and Assistant Principal's cohort walks.
- Attendance.
- Appreciation for the presentation and the day-to-day work of this group.

### 4. GOVERNANCE

Dr. Bernier joined in the discussion on the following items:

- Background checks update.
- My School Bucks overcollection of fees.
- Upcoming joint meeting with City Council.
- Recently passed hazardous route policy does not include additional money.
- Draft agenda attachments.
- Flashing lights at middle schools are not functioning.
- Be safe Be seen campaign.
- Internal Board Auditor's evaluation.
- JBill for General Counsel.
- The Superintendent's Evaluation Committee will consist of Board Members Bolduc, Pearson, Blount and. Ricardo.
- Upcoming Shade Meeting date.

## Adjournment

### 1. ADJOURNMENT

#### **Motion:**

**That the Duval County School Board move to adjourn the meeting at 3:41 P.M.**

#### **Vote Results:**

**Motion:** April A. Carney

**Second:** Melody A. Bolduc

**PASSED 7 - 0**

**Aye:**

Charlotte D. Joyce  
April A. Carney  
Melody A. Bolduc  
Reginald Blount  
Cindy Pearson  
Anthony Ricardo  
Darryl D. Willie

**Nay:**

None

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Superintendent

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Chairman