



Meeting Minutes Duval County Public Schools

September 11, 2025, Special Board Meeting - Budget – REVISED

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 Mr. Ray Poole, Office of General Counsel, were also present.

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF BOARD MEMBER(S) PARTICIPATION VIA INTERACTIVE VIDEO/TELEPHONE SYSTEMS

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board approve the participation of Vice-Chairman April A. Carney via Interactive Video and/or Telephone Systems.

Vote Results:

Motion: Anthony Ricardo

Second: Melody A. Bolduc

PASSED - 6-0

Aye:

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

Nay:
None

Approval of Agenda

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2025, SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board approve the September 11, 2025, agenda as submitted on September 4, 2025, with the following changes:

- **ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT - ESE 348 INCLUSIVE OF COST REPORT — Attachment Added.**

Vote Results:

Motion: Melody A. Bolduc

Second: Reginald Blount

PASSED - 7-0

Aye:

Charlotte D. Joyce

April A. Carney

Reginald Blount

Melody A. Bolduc

Cindy Pearson

Anthony Ricardo

Darryl D. Willie

Nay:

None

Public Comment

None.

Administration and Business Services - Budget and Financial

1. ADOPTION OF FINAL BUDGET RESOLUTIONS 2024-2025

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board adopt the following Budget Resolutions:

- **General Fund - Budget Resolution No. 11**
- **Food Service Fund - Budget Resolution No. 11**
- **Special Revenue Fund Other Fund - Budget Resolution No. 11**

- **Special Revenue Fund Miscellaneous - Budget Resolution No. 11**
- **Cares Fund - Budget Resolution No. 11**
- **Capital Project Fund - Budget Resolution No. 11**
- **Internal Services Fund - Budget Resolution No. 11**
- **Trust Fiduciary Fund - Budget Resolution No. 11**
- **Debt Service Fund - Budget Resolution No. 11**
- **Enterprise Service Fund - Budget Resolution No. 11**

Vote Results:

Motion: Melody A. Bolduc

Second: Darryl D. Willie

Comments: The Board and the Public were informed that the final calculations from the State had not been received by the District yet, but when the calculations are received, the documents would be revised if necessary and brought back to the Board for approval.

PASSED - 7-0

Aye:

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

Nay:

None

2. ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT -ESE 348 INCLUSIVE OF COST REPORT

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board approve the District's Annual Financial Report - ESE 348 (AFR - ESE 348), inclusive of the Cost Report, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, as presented.

Vote Results:

Motion: Cindy Pearson

Second: Melody A. Bolduc

Comments: None

PASSED - 7-0

Aye:

Charlotte D. Joyce
 April A. Carney
 Reginald Blount
 Melody A. Bolduc

Cindy Pearson
Anthony Ricardo
Darryl D. Willie

Nay:

None

3. PUBLIC HEARING - 2025-2026 FINAL PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES AND FINAL BUDGET - REQUIRED LOCAL EFFORT

Public Hearing Opened.

Public Hearing Closed.

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a Public Hearing and adopt the 2025–2026 Required Local Effort Millage Levy of 3.0950 for the Operating Fund. According to the Florida Department of Education, there is no Prior Period Funding Adjustment Millage required to be levied for the Operating Fund.

The proposed amount to be raised is \$375,536,881.

Vote Results:

Motion: Cindy Pearson

Second: Melody A. Bolduc

Comments: None

PASSED - 7-0

Aye:

Charlotte D. Joyce

April A. Carney

Reginald Blount

Melody A. Bolduc

Cindy Pearson

Anthony Ricardo

Darryl D. Willie

Nay:

None

4. PUBLIC HEARING - 2025-2026 FINAL PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES AND FINAL BUDGET - NON-VOTED DISCRETIONARY OPERATING

Public Hearing Opened.

Public Hearing Closed.

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a Public Hearing and adopt the 2025-2026 Non-Voted

Discretionary Operating Millage Levy of 0.7480 Mills for the Operating Fund.

The proposed amount to be raised is \$90,759,802.

Vote Results:

Motion: Reginald Blount

Second: Melody A. Bolduc

Comments: None

PASSED - 7-0

Aye:

Charlotte D. Joyce

April A. Carney

Reginald Blount

Melody A. Bolduc

Cindy Pearson

Anthony Ricardo

Darryl D. Willie

Nay:

None

5. PUBLIC HEARING - 2025-2026 FINAL PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES AND FINAL BUDGET - VOTED DISCRETIONARY OPERATING

Public Hearing Opened.

Public Hearing Closed.

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a Public Hearing and adopt the 2025–2026 Voted Discretionary Operating Millage Levy of 1.0000 Mills for the Operating Fund.

The proposed amount to be raised is \$121,336,634.

Vote Results:

Motion: Anthony Ricardo

Second: Darryl D. Willie

Comments: None

PASSED - 7-0

Aye:

Charlotte D. Joyce

April A. Carney

Reginald Blount

Melody A. Bolduc

Cindy Pearson

Anthony Ricardo
Darryl D. Willie

Nay:
None

6. PUBLIC HEARING - 2025-2026 FINAL PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES AND FINAL BUDGET -
CAPITAL OUTLAY

Public Hearing Opened.
Public Hearing Closed.

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a Public Hearing and adopt the 2025-2026 Capital Outlay Millage Levy of 1.5000 Mills for the Capital Projects Fund.

The proposed amount to be raised is \$182,004,951.

Vote Results:

Motion: Melody A. Bolduc

Second: Anthony Ricardo

Comments: None

PASSED - 7-0

Aye:

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

Nay:

None

7. PUBLIC HEARING - 2025-2026 FINAL PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES AND FINAL BUDGET - FINAL
BUDGET

Public Hearing Opened.

One (1) member of the public spoke.

The members of the public were thanked for attending the meeting and were encouraged to attend any of the budget meetings to include the Audit Advisory Committee (AAC) Meetings, which could also be instrumental in helping them understand the budget.

Public Hearing Closed.

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board conduct a public hearing and adopt the final budget for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

General Operating budget in the amount of	\$1,580,384,319
Special Revenue budget in the amount of	\$ 262,691,785
Debt Service budget in the amount of	\$ 241,335,317
Capital Outlay budget in the amount of	\$1,112,884,609
Trust Fund budget in the amount of	\$ 75,293
Internal Service budget in the amount of	\$ 205,172,408
Enterprise Fund budget in the amount of	\$ 1,904,573
Total Final Budget	\$3,404,448,304

Vote Results:

Motion: Cindy Pearson

Second: Reginald Blount

Comments: None.

PASSED - 7-0

Aye:

Charlotte D. Joyce

April A. Carney

Reginald Blount

Melody A. Bolduc

Cindy Pearson

Anthony Ricardo

Darryl D. Willie

Nay:

None

Adjournment

1. ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

That the Duval County School Board move to adjourn the meeting at 5:27 p.m.

Vote Results:

Motion: Anthony Ricardo

Second: Reginald Blount

PASSED - 7-0

Aye:

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

Nay:

None

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Superintendent

Chairman