

**Special School Board Meeting Minutes &  
Regular School Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, June 15, 2004 – 6:00 p.m.  
School Board Meeting Room  
Stuart, FL 34994**

**Members Present**

Dr. David Anderson  
Vicki Davis, Chair  
Susan Hershey, Vice-Chair  
Laurie Gaylord  
Lorie Shekailo  
Dr. Sara A. Wilcox, Superintendent  
Katie Gillen, Student Representative (MCHS)  
Tom Elfers, School Board Attorney

**Members Absent**

None

**Staff Present**

Hank Salzler, Lori McWilliams, Helene Baxter, Delores Calloway, Stacey Chados, Dr. Joyce Holmes, Darla Miloszewski, Deana Newson, Leighton O'Connor, Rodger Osborne, Dr. Frank Raffone, Victoria Defenthaler, Joe Flanagan, Kris Kerr, Doug Peterson, Ginger Featherstone, Gary Shelt, Nancy Marin Gail Newman, Cece Hysmith, Tracey Miller, Sandy Kesslering, Ray Parrish, Loreen Francesceni, Mary Alice Stewart, Linda King, Bill Connolly, Mark Cocco, Jeff Carver

**Public**

Debbie Sopko, Tim Black, David Trail, Nancy Kline, Linda Hake, Timothy Sinclair

**Press**

PBPost – Rani Gupta

Stuart News – Kelly Tyko

**MCEA** – Jeanette Phillips

**AFSCME** – No Representation

Call to Order by the Chair at 6:00 p.m. and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

Mrs. Delores Calloway, Dr. Wilcox and Mrs. Davis presented Certificates of Recognition, along with the students respective Principals, to the high school students who attained the highest possible FCAT Writing Score.

**High School Recognitions** **6:00 p.m.**  
**Recognition of Students Who Attained the Highest Possible FCAT Writing Score (6.0) (Part 2) and Who Attained a Perfect FCAT Reading / Math Score (500)**

Mrs. Delores Calloway, Dr. Wilcox and Mrs. Davis presented Certificates of Recognition, along with the students respective Principals, to the elementary and middle school students who attained the highest possible FCAT Reading and Math Scores.

**Elementary and Middle School Recognitions** **6:30 p.m.**  
▪ **Recognition of Students Who Attained a Perfect FCAT Reading / Math Score (500)** Raffone

**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

Dr. Wilcox introduced Katie Gillen from Martin County High School as the new student representative.

**1. Adoption of the Agenda:\***

**A. Additions, Deletions or Amendments to the Agenda**

Dr. Wilcox asked to move Item 17 to immediately follow the Consent Agenda as 8-A and asked to add “Approval of Statement of Implementation of Wage Increase” with Martin County Education Association as Item 17.

**B. Approval of the Agenda**

*Dr. Anderson moved approval of the agenda as modified, Mrs. Hershey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.*

**2. Approval of the Minutes:\***

*Mrs. Hershey moved approval of the 6/1/04 Regular Meeting Minutes, Mrs. Gaylord seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.*

**3. Presentations:\*** None

**4. Open to the Public:\***

- Afron Rifkin, of Gunster Yoakley & Stewart law firm, spoke on behalf of 400 clients. He requested that the impact fees be paid at the rate when they were assessed rather than with the 15% interest rate. The board agreed that the fees must be paid with interest due to raising costs associated with education during the period of non-payment. Mr. Elfers explained that the “penalty”, as referred to by Mr. Rifkin, is not a penalty but 15% interest from the date they were initiated and discussed past practice. He explained the public recording system at the courthouse constitutes the act of sending notice. Mr. Rifkin reiterated that the

developer, Danforth Development, should be held liable. Dr. Anderson concurred with district legal advice and Mrs. Hershey agreed and explained the Danforth students attend Hidden Oaks Middle and student stations were provided for those students and therefore interest must be applied. Dr. Anderson does not believe the school board could defer a debt and the board as a whole agreed the fees must be paid as set forth.

**5. Removal of Items from the Consent Agenda:\***

**6. Approve Consent Agenda:\***

*Dr. Anderson moved approval of the Consent Agenda, Mrs. Shekailo seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.*

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. 03/04 FY Attendance Zones:\* - NONE**

**B. Requests:\***

1. **Use of Facilities:\*** (COPY ATTACHED)
2. **Field Trips / Use of Buses / Vehicles:\*** (COPY ATTACHED)

**C. New Agreements:\***

1. **Approve Independent Contractor Agreement between the Martin County School District and Kelly McIntyre to Provide Strategies to Reduce Drunk and Drugged Driving by Martin County Youth** (COPY ATTACHED)
- +2. **Approve Charter School Agreement between Indian River Community College and the School Board of Martin County** (COPY ATTACHED)

**D. Renewal Agreements:\***

1. **Approve Agreement between the School Board of Martin County and Parkway Nursing Center** (COPY ATTACHED)
2. **Approve Agreement between the School Board of Martin County, Martin Memorial Medical Center and Martin Memorial Hospital South** (COPY ATTACHED)
3. **Approve renewal of AS/400 TERMS Users Group Maintenance and Service Agreement for 2004/2005** (COPY ATTACHED)
4. **Approve Commercial Lease Agreement between the Treasure Coast Square Mall and the School Board of Martin County** (COPY ATTACHED)
- +5. **Approve Transportation Services Agreement with Chabad Jewish Center DBA Camp Gan Israel** (COPY ATTACHED)

**E. New Grants:\***

1. **Approve 2004 Head Start COLA Supplement Grant for \$33,814.00** (COPY ATTACHED)
2. **Approve Consolidated Application for Selected Federal Programs 2004-2005 LEA Application for \$3,736,838.25** (COPY ATTACHED)

**F. Disposal of Surplus Property:\*** (COPY ATTACHED)

1. **Disposal of Portable 99-0069** (COPY ATTACHED)

**G. Personnel Items:\***

1. **Schedule of Personnel Recommendations** (COPY ATTACHED)
2. **Leaves Authorized by the Superintendent** (COPY ATTACHED)
3. **New Job Description**
  - a. **Director of Title I, Migrant and ESOL** (COPY ATTACHED)

**8. Items Removed from the Agenda:\***

**8-A Discussion of Junior Achievement Exchange City Program:\*** (originally Ex. 17)

Dr. Raffone stated there is not an increase in fuel costs to transport students and the costs previously provided are accurate. Principals visited Exchange City and came back with a favorable impression. He was assured by Mr. Nowak that the district would be given slots after FCAT. Mrs. Gaylord voiced support of the program as long as it remains voluntary. Dr. Raffone feels many of the schools will make this their 5<sup>th</sup> grade end-of-the-year trip. Dr. Raffone explained, at Mrs. Gaylord's request, that if a school agrees to participate then the entire 5<sup>th</sup> grade class would participate, however it would be a school decision to participate. *Dr. Anderson moved approval of Item 8-A, Mrs. Hershey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.*

**9. Construction:\***

*Dr. Anderson moved approval of Item 9, Mrs. Gaylord seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.*

- A. Approve Construction Authorization #1 to Morganti Kirchman for J. D. Parker School of Science, Math and Technology Replacement School** (COPY ATTACHED)
- B. Approve Construction / Phase III Documents for J. D. Parker School of Science, Math and Technology Replacement School – Rodger Osborne #** (ON FILE IN FACILITIES)

9. **Construction:\* (Con't)**
- C. Approve Final Payment to Urban Building Systems for the Martin County High School Two-Story Addition Project (COPY ATTACHED)
  - D. Approve Reduction in Retainage from 10% to 5% to Morganti Group, Inc. for Subcontractor Scammell Constructors on Jensen Beach High School (COPY ATTACHED)

10. **Finance:\***

Mrs. Hershey moved approval of Item 10, Mrs. Shekailo seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

- A. Approve Purchase Orders / Contracts (COPY ATTACHED)
- B. Approve May 2004 Monthly Financial Statement (COPY ATTACHED)
- C. Approve Change in Food Service Petty Cash Custodian for Port Salerno Elementary from Dennis DeCesare to Jean Huffman (COPY ATTACHED)
- ~~D. Approve Renewal of Gehring Group Contract – Leighton O'Connor (Ex. 10-D)~~
- E. Approve Annual State Requirements for Educational Facilities (SREF) Inspections and the Annual Fire Safety Inspections (COPY ATTACHED)

11. **Bid Recommendations:\***

Mrs. Hershey moved approval of Item 11, Dr. Anderson seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

- A. Renew Bid
  - 1. MCSB Bid #1001-0-2003/JK for Band Uniforms for Jensen Beach High School (COPY ATTACHED)
- B. Authorize Renewal of Piggyback Bid of Florida State Contract
  - 1. Carpet & Flooring Materials on Florida State Contract #360-240-00-1 (COPY ATTACHED)
- C. Authorize Piggyback Bid
  - 1. Miami-Dade County Public Schools Bid #043-DD02 for Sanitation and Cleaning Supply Program for Food Service (COPY ATTACHED)
  - 2. School District of Palm Beach County Bid #01C-109M for Term Contract for Musical Instruments (COPY ATTACHED)
- D. Authorize Renewal of Co-op Bid
  - 1. Term Contract for Diesel and Unleaded Fuel – Co-op Award (COPY ATTACHED)

12. **Approve 2003-2004 School Safety and Security Self-Assessment (COPY ATTACHED)**

Mrs. Hershey moved approval of Item 12, Dr. Anderson seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

13. **Approve Elementary Student Code of Conduct Manual (COPY ATTACHED)**

Mr. Salzler explained the changes in State law regarding the use of cell phones and pagers. He stated they would now be allowed on campus; however they must remain turned off during classes and on buses and remain out of sight. Mrs. Gaylord and Mrs. Shekailo stated they are happy due to safety issues. Mr. Salzler advised there is no discipline for carrying the phone; however if it was used in a criminal act, they are subject to penalty. Dr. Anderson moved approval of Item 13, Mrs. Hershey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

14. **Approve Secondary Student Code of Conduct Manual (COPY ATTACHED)**

Dr. Anderson moved approval of Item 14, Mrs. Shekailo seconded, Mrs. Shekailo seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

15. **Approve Martin County School District's Foreign Language Plan:\*** (COPY ATTACHED)

Dr. Anderson moved approval of Item 15, Mrs. Shekailo seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. Dr. Raffone explained the Statute requires the Board approve a plan, which has been done.

16. **Discussion on Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP):\***

Dr. Raffone and Ms. Stewart discussed the flexibility the State has given the district with implementing choice and discussed the unique and substantial differences between the A+ Plan and No Child Left Behind (NCLB). Ms. Stewart explained Florida is the leader in offering more meaningful choice options and that when NCLB talks in terms of not making adequate yearly progress (AYP), they are referring only to Title 1 schools. She further addressed ways Florida plans implementation and the required timelines involved. Dr. Raffone discussed the new requirements for earlier school improvement plan approval. Mrs. Shekailo asked to provide assistance to SAC's on the new guidelines.

17. **Approve Statement of Implementation of Wage Increase – Martin County Education Association (COPY ATTACHED)**

Ms. Baxter stated the Union and district are committed to paying teachers as soon as possible, and as such worked out this settlement. Mrs. Shekailo moved approval of Item 17, Dr. Anderson seconded. Mrs. Hershey feels the agreement is a great beginning for the next round of negotiations and understands both parties are committed to collaborative bargaining training, which would take place over the summer. Ms. Baxter explained the trainers would be the Federal Mediator and Facilitators Services and are paid by tax dollars. The motion carried unanimously.

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**18. Approve 2003/2004 Salary Schedules and Contracts:\***

*Dr. Anderson moved approval of Item 18, Mrs. Gaylord seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.*

- A. Administrative Salary Schedule (COPY ATTACHED)**
- B. School Internal Auditor Salary Schedule (COPY ATTACHED)**
- C. School Board Attorney Salary Schedule (COPY ATTACHED)**

**19. Open to the Board:\***

Ms. Shekailo congratulated the schools on their school grades and commented on the Camp Wet program and the great experience her children are having. She is a member of the State Instructional Materials Committee and appointee to the Social Studies 9-12 team, and would like to sit down with the Social Studies Department Heads from the high schools for input to bring back to the committee once she reads all the textbooks.

Mrs. Gaylord had a telephone conference with the State ESE SAC Committee. She attended the FSBA meeting in Tampa and was particularly impressed with the reading session and discussed the legitimacy of the FCAT testing.

Mrs. Hershey also enjoyed the FSBA conference and the functional training provided.

Dr. Anderson congratulated Warfield Elementary School on becoming an “A” school as well as meeting AYP.

Dr. Wilcox congratulated the schools, faculty, administration and staff and believes it takes everyone working together. She explained the district would appeal South Fork High School’s “C” rating, some AYP scores and possibly Port Salerno Elementary School’s “B” grade.

Mrs. Davis announced that in addition to being a Master Board, the board now has the distinction of being a Certified Board due to individual efforts of board members Shekailo, Hershey and Davis in achieving their individual member certifications. She complimented Mrs. Hershey on being the new FSBA Treasurer.

Mrs. Shekailo pointed out that Martin County is only 1 out of 8 districts in Florida to have achieved Certified Board designation. She reminded the Board of the Joint Meeting on June 29, 2004.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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**CHAIR (Vicki Davis)**

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**SECRETARY (Sara A. Wilcox, Ph.D.)**