



**Regular School Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 7, 2004 – 7:00 p.m.
School Board Meeting Room
Stuart, FL 34994**

Members Present

Vicki Davis, Chair
Susan Hershey, Vice-Chair
Laurie Gaylord
Lorie Shekailo
Dr. Sara A. Wilcox, Superintendent
Tom Elfers, School Board Attorney

Members Absent

Dr. David Anderson
Hank Salzler
Katie Gillen, Student Representative (MCHS)

Staff Present

Rosemarie Taylor, Darla Miloszewski, Rodger Osborne, Al Krueger

Public

None

Press

PBPost – No Representation

Stuart News – No Representation

MCEA – No Representation

AFSCME – No Representation

Mrs. Davis advised that due to Hurricane Frances, the School Board Meeting would simply be called to order and recessed until a later scheduled date.

Call to Order by the Chair with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

Dr. Wilcox explained the school board meeting was advertised according to the TRIM Legislation due to the budget approval and was concerned with following the law and the spirit of the law. Daniel Woodring, General Council to the Governor, recommended holding the meeting with the option of recessing the meeting to convene at a future time. Mr. Elfers explained an Emergency Order allows the National Guard to be called in for emergency assistance, however it does not cancel public meetings and that it is legal as long as everyone is out of the meeting by the local curfew. Dr. Wilcox explained she contacted the EOC who advised the Emergency Order did not cancel all public meetings and that the board should try to make sure that everyone has the opportunity to be home before the curfew, however if that does not happen, the Superintendent can sign the agenda cover and present it as such.

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- Jim Campbell advised they follow Martin County School closing protocols for their organization and inquired on the length of time the public schools would remain closed.

Dr. Wilcox provided Mr. Campbell with a press release outlining school related information.

Mrs. Gaylord moved to recess the business meeting until further scheduled, Mrs. Shekailo seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Hershey asked when the district would have an assessment on the individual schools. Mr. Osborne explained 50% of the schools have power and are doing well. They are working on housing for repair crews coming in to assist. Schools are generally in good shape with the exception of Pinewood, which suffered roof damage and water intrusion. Crews are working on the site and paying particular attention to the water intrusion areas and indoor air quality issues.

Mrs. Shekailo asked about the administrators who are working on school district related issues and is concerned about what will be done to allow them time to take care of their homes and property. Dr. Wilcox advised the individual departments are trying to make sure that they are given time to take care of home needs.

Dr. Wilcox explained the district is looking at providing double sessions for Pinewood Elementary School with 4.5 hour sessions.

Mrs. Gaylord moved to recess the meeting at 7:22 p.m. in order to allow time to get home before curfew, Mrs. Shekailo second and the motion carried unanimously.

CHAIR (Vicki Davis)

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