



Regular School Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 21, 2006 – 7:00 p.m.
School Board Meeting Room
Stuart, FL 34994

Members Present

Laurie Gaylord-Vice-Chair
Dr. David Anderson
Susan Hershey
Nancy Kline
Dr. Sara A. Wilcox, Superintendent
Tom Elfers, School Board Attorney
Kristin Conrad, Student Representative (JBHS)

Members Absent

Lorie Shekailo-Chair

Staff Present

Hank Salzler, Ruth Pietruszewski, Dr. Joyce Holmes, Darrell Miller, Darla Miloszewski-Roddy, Dr. Frank Raffone, Julie Sessa, Cathy Brennan, Kerry Lewis, Sean Lewis, Linda King, John Klatt, Garrett Grabowski, Tyson Vilwock, Joe Flanagan, Essie Rains, Gary Shelt, Nancy Marin, Ray Parrish, Delores Calloway, Rae Hollenbeck, Deana Newson, Rodger Osborne, Jeff Carver, Dan Alley, Vicki Alley, Patricia Ashcraft, Brain Quinn, Debbie Feriola, Marjorie Garland, Janet Church, Joey Stark, Patti Crooks, Sheryll Hix, Barbara Graunke, Lisa Woodruff, Patricia Barlow Lynn Lewis, Judy Frank, Elliot Harris, Conney Dahn, Sheila Carpenter

Public

Sharon Merchant, Marian Carpenter, Dr. Barbara Anderson, David Walker, Fran Price, Bill Ellis, Paul Bailey, Tony George, Molly Mehlich

Press

PBPost –Mike Bender

Stuart News – Kelly Tyko

MCEA – Jeanette Phillips

AFSCME – No Representation

Call to Order by the Vice-Chair and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

1. Adoption of the Agenda:*

A. Additions, Deletions or Amendments to the Agenda

Dr. Sara A. Wilcox requested to remove Item 8-D-2, the Collaborative Agreement between Big Brothers Big Sisters and the School Board of Martin County, under the consent agenda, to insert Jessica Lunsford language. After the language was inserted, this agreement would be brought back at the next meeting.

B. Approval of the Agenda

Dr. David Anderson moved approval of the modified agenda, Nancy Kline seconded, and the motion carried unanimously

2. Approval of the Minutes:*

Sue Hershey moved approval of the 1/17/06 Regular School Board meeting minutes, and the 1/24/06 Special School Board meeting minutes, Nancy Kline seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Laurie Gaylord, Vice-Chair, explained that Lorie Shekailo was sick; therefore, Laurie Gaylord would be the acting chair at this Board meeting.

3. Recognitions:*

A. Recognition of National Board Teachers: (COPY ATTACHED)

Deana Newson, Director of HRMD and Staff Development, reported that at this time Martin County School District had a total of 64 National Board Teachers. When the National Board was established, they had core principles which they promoted, and these have remained. The entire program is organized around these cores. Teachers are committed to students in their learning. Teachers know the subjects they teach, and they know how to teach those subjects. Teachers are responsible for managing and monitoring student learning. Teachers think systematically about their practice, and they learn from those experiences. They are members of learning communities. A teacher must satisfy a rigorous model to qualify. Teachers spend at least 120 hours on the assessment process in addition to the portfolio they must prepare. Deana recognized the National Board Certified Teachers that would be added to the list this year, included were: Maria Backnick, JBHS, Joanne Croke, PCE, Amy Freese, HOMS, Janet Good, JDP, Debra

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3. Recognitions:* (Con't)

A. Recognition of National Board Teachers:

Henn, PSE, Lynn Matthews, SFHS, and Suzanne Riendeau, CLE. Deana, Laurie Gaylord, and Dr. Sara A. Wilcox presented these teachers with plaques honoring them for their achievement.

B. Recognition of Retirees: Dan Alley-34 years;

Dr. Sara A. Wilcox recognized Dan Alley for his 34 years of service and gave an overview of his career. She presented him with a plaque. Dan Alley reflected back to the beginning of his teaching career and spoke about his years with the Martin County School District.

C. Recognition of the 2005-2006 Martin County Teacher of the Year

Candidates: (COPY ATTACHED)

Tyson Vilwock, Assistant Principal of Bessey Creek Elementary, recognized all the candidates chosen as Teacher of the Year for their school site. He announced the Teacher of the Year for Martin County School District as Conney Dahn from JBHS. Conney told the Board that her goal and dream of having all her children included in everything has become reality. She is thankful to be at JBHS. She said the staff and students have embraced her children.

4. Presentations:*

**A. AA Middle School Construction Update by Julie Sessa, Director of Facilities & Planning:
(COPY ATTACHED)**

Julie Sessa updated Board members on construction of the new middle school. Although the availability of cranes and the damages from Hurricane Wilma produced delays, work was progressing steadily. The construction focus of the school was beginning to change from structural elements to interior rough and finishes. Julie presented a PowerPoint presentation with progress photos and aerial views of the site. The target date for school opening is August 2006. Construction will be completed by that date, except in buildings 4 and 5. Construction on these buildings is expected to continue for approximately 6-8 weeks after the school opens. The ball fields will also be ready when school opens. Sue Hershey asked if the hurricane hardening costs would be itemized separately. Julie Sessa stated that they did carve the hurricane costs off to keep them separate, and they will continue to do that with project costs. Bill Ellis, Pirtle Construction, stated that Tres Belles was putting in the side road. It is expected that in two to three years the county would make it four lanes. Sue Hershey suggested this would be a topic for the joint meeting. She wanted to be sure the county was compliant with SB 360.

5. Open to the Public:*

- Molly Mehlich, with Fran Price standing by her side, recognized and praised Dr. David Anderson for serving the School Board for 26 years. She commended his immunity to private or public pressure when making decisions. She stated that he always made his decisions based on how it would affect all the children of Martin County. They made a request to name the new middle school on Cove Road the Dr. David L. Anderson Middle School.
- David Walker agreed with Fran Price and Molly Mehlich. He strongly supported naming the new middle school after Dr. David Anderson. He stated that David was a good man, and he has done good work.
- Dr. Sara A. Wilcox stated that this may become an agenda item for another Board meeting.

6. Removal of Items from the Consent Agenda:*

Dr. Sara A. Wilcox requested to remove Item 8-D-2, the Collaborative Agreement between Big Brothers Big Sisters and the School Board of Martin County, under the consent agenda, to insert Jessica Lunsford language.

7. Approve Consent Agenda:*

Nancy Kline moved approval of the modified Consent Agenda, Sue Hershey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

A. 05/06 FY Attendance Zones:*

B. Requests:*

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

C. New Agreements:* None

D. Renewal Agreements:*

1. **Approve Agreement between Martin Memorial Medical Center, Inc. and the School Board of Martin County:*** (COPY ATTACHED)
2. **Approve Collaboration Agreement for the Funding Year of July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007 between Big Brothers Big Sisters of Martin County and the School Board of Martin County, Florida:*** (REMOVED FROM AGENDA)
3. **Approve Collaborative Agreement between Martin County School Board and PACE Center for Girls, Inc. for Fiscal Year 2006-2007:*** (COPY ATTACHED)

8. **CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)**
- D. **Renewal Agreements:* (Con't)**
4. **Approve Agreement between the School Board of Martin County and Boys and Girls Club of Martin County:* (COPY ATTACHED)**
- E. **New Grants:* None**
- F. **Renewal Grants:***
1. **Approve Camp W.E.T. (Water, Environment, Technology) 2006 for \$49,620:*(COPY ATTACHED)**
- G. **Disposal of Surplus Equipment:*(COPY ATTACHED)**
- H. **Personnel Items:***
1. **Schedule of Personnel Recommendations (COPY ATTACHED)**
2. **Leaves Authorized by the Superintendent**
- a. **Professional Leave Only (COPY ATTACHED)**
- b. **Professional Leave, Travel, and Per Diem (COPY ATTACHED)**
3. **Approve Salary Schedule for High School Camp Counselors for Environmental Studies Center Effective 01/01/06 (COPY ATTACHED)**
4. **Approve Hiring Clarification Instrument-(COPY ATTACHED)**
5. **Approve New Job Description for Preschool Family Liaison-(COPY ATTACHED)**
9. **Items Removed from the Agenda:* None**
10. **Construction:***
- Dr. David Anderson moved approval of Item 10, Nancy Kline seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.*
- A. **Approve Name Change for J.D. Parker (Old Site) to Stuart Learning Center:*(COPY ATTACHED)**
- B. **Approve Name Change for Port Salerno Elementary (Old Site) to Salerno Learning Center:*(COPY ATTACHED)**
- C. **Approve Low Bid & Award Contract for Middle School Camera System Bid #051138:*(COPY ATTACHED)**
- D. **Approve Request to Reduce Retainage from 1% to 0% for Specified Subcontractors for Hobe Sound Elementary Replacement School-(COPY ATTACHED)**
- E. **Approve Contract Amendment with Harper Aiken Partners, Inc. for Professional Services for Phase 1 (Site Improvement and Food Service Facility) at Martin County High School and Budget Amendment as Necessary-(COPY ATTACHED)**
- F. **Approve Contract Amendment to Harvard Jolly, Inc. for Professional Services for J. D. Parker -(COPY ATTACHED)**
- G. **Approve Final Payment for TM Construction Specialist Contractors for Hurricane Remediation at Old Salerno Head Start-(COPY ATTACHED)**
- H. **Approve Contract Amendment to Schenkel Shultz, Inc. for Professional Services for Middle School AA – (COPY ATTACHED)**
- I. **Approve Contract Amendment to Schenkel Shultz, Inc. for Professional Services for Jensen Beach High School-(COPY ATTACHED)**
11. **Finance:***
- Nancy Kline moved approval of Item 11, Sue Hershey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.*
- A. **Approve Purchase Orders / Contracts-(COPY ATTACHED)**
- B. **Approve Monthly Financial Statement-January 2006-(COPY ATTACHED)**
- C. **Approve Food Service Fund Budget Amendment #06-4105-(COPY ATTACHED)**
- D. **Approve Capital Fund Budget Amendment #06-306-(COPY ATTACHED)**
- E. **Approve General Fund Budget Amendment #06-106-(COPY ATTACHED)**
- F. **Approve Special Revenue Fund Budget Amendment #06-4206-(COPY ATTACHED)**
- G. **Approve Project Priority List -(COPY ATTACHED)**
- H. **Approve COBI Bond Issue-(COPY ATTACHED)**
12. **Bid Recommendations:***
- Sue Hershey moved approval of Item 12, Nancy Kline seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.*
- A. **Approval to Award Bid**
1. **HVAC Controls Maintenance and Installation Countywide-MCSB Bid # 1007-0-2005/JC -(COPY ATTACHED)**
- B. **Approval to Renew Bid**
1. **MCSB Bid #1001-0-2005/JK for Combi Ovens for Food Service from 03/02/06 through 03/01/07 -(COPY ATTACHED)**
- C. **Approval to Piggyback Bid**
1. **School Board of Palm Beach Bid #02C-38P Term Contract to Furnish and Install Aluminum Walkway Covers (COPY ATTACHED)**

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12. **Bid Recommendations:*** (Con't)
- D. **Approval to Renew Piggyback Bid**
 - 1. Florida State Contract # 420-590-02-1 for Library Furniture -(COPY ATTACHED)
 - E. **Approval to Renew RFP**
 - 1. MCSB RFP # 00-5002-JK for Records Management Services-(COPY ATTACHED)
 - F. **Approval to Piggyback RFP**
 - 1. School Board of Palm Beach RFP #05C-003J for Installation and Disconnection of Portable Classrooms and for Support Services-(COPY ATTACHED)
 - G. **Approval to Renew Piggyback on RFP**
 - 1. Palm Beach County Schools RFP #01C-107J, for HVAC Equipment and OEM Repair Parts, for Term 12/13/05 through 12/12/06-(COPY ATTACHED)

13. **Approve Environmental Studies Center Day Camp 2006:***- (COPY ATTACHED)
Dr. David Anderson moved approval of Item 13, Sue Hershey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

14. **Approve School Health Services-Section Two; Annual Staffing/Budget Plan for 2005-2006:***- (COPY ATTACHED)

Sue Hershey described how the partnership was formed, and she stated that it was a good partnership. Dr. Joyce Holmes agreed with Sue, and informed her that the nurses were hired.
Sue Hershey moved approval of Item 14, Dr. David Anderson seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

15. **Rule Revisions:***

Dr. David Anderson moved approval of Item 15, Sue Hershey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

- A. **First Review and Approve Advertising per APA:***
 - 1. School Board Policy 8403 Energy Management Conservation (COPY ATTACHED)
 - 2. School Board Policy 3520 Employment of Professional Staff (COPY ATTACHED)

16. **Open to the Board:***

Kristin Conrad

Congratulated JBHS for a student becoming the State champion in wrestling, and the Boy's Soccer team becoming the 4A-State champions. She thanked Dr. Sara Wilcox for her attendance at the soccer game, because it meant a lot to the students to share this memorable event. She congratulated the students that qualified to advance to the State and International Science Fair. She reported that the FCAT tutoring program was being offered before and after school at JBHS. She announced that Roy Hawthorn, a Navajo code talker who served as a marine in WWII, would speak at JBHS on April 28th at 6:00 p.m. in the auditorium. He will speak to the students during the school day and that evening as the culminating event for the school wide read aloud. At Spectrum the book "Night," which is based on the horrors of German concentration camps during WWII, was read aloud. This was followed by a school wide essay contest with prizes. The best essays were submitted to the national contest. Spectrum students in the ESE classes have been working on ongoing painting projects and gardening activities. Students are painting individual wood tiles and then assembling them into a very large flower mural. They have created a garden of potted flowers outside. Black History month included a study of the book and movie "Mighty Times," the legacy of Rosa Parks. This has been part of the Teaching Tolerance Program, which provides free materials to promote respect for differences. Kristin congratulated SFHS boy's baseball being undefeated. Last week a no-hitter was pitched at Ft. Pierce Central. FCAT seminars will be conducted for all 9th and 10th grade students in reading and math on March 1st and 2nd. Fifty-two teachers at SFHS are participating as mentors for at risk 9th graders.

Nancy Kline

Congratulated all the Teacher's of the Year. She attended Master Board training with the rest of the Board. She stated that with two more trainings the Board will be Master Board certified. Nancy met with Marshall Skinner and Dr. Sara A. Wilcox and discussed the vocational programs in Martin County School District, to look for programming strategy for the middle schools and high schools next year. The Stuart News did a nice article on the academies. Nancy was actively working with the Educational Foundation on the governance process towards adding new Board members and evaluating future missions. She met with Nancy Turrell with the Arts Council regarding the Fine Arts Council and how the district and council can work together. They will look at programs that are currently in place and check if these programs meet the needs of the school district, and determine how the two organizations can continue to work together.

Sue Hershey

Stated she wore JBHS colors in honor of their achievements. Sue asked Kristin Conrad to look at Sameer Hinduja's cyberbullying material and be able to comment on his report at the next meeting. She attended "Get Out to Vote." There is a statewide effort to get employees registered to vote and to exercise their rights as citizens. April is chosen to be the month to encourage Educator's to register to vote. She congratulated Conney Dahn for earning Teacher of the Year. She reported that the last Value Adjustment Board meeting was this week, and there were no final appeals, so the tax role stands as is.

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16. Open to the Board:* (Con't)

Dr. Sara A. Wilcox

Reported that she attended the Science Fair last night. She said it has been greatly expanded over the last couple of years. She thanked the teachers and principals for encouraging students to enter the Science Fair. She reported that the Performance Pay rule was adopted by the State Board of Education at today's meeting in Miami. There were a few changes from the original rule that was drafted. The date the district's plan needs to be submitted was changed. The state will provide information on the top 10% of the teachers who make the highest learning gains in the state. In future years, they will get the top 10% and the top 25%. In addition, the district will need to negotiate with MCEA an expanded version that will include all teachers not just the teachers that are teachers of record for FCAT reading and math. She reported that FEA has filed to stop it right now. There will be a lot of discussion at negotiations on Performance Pay for teachers.

Sue Hershey

Asked what would this mean to ESE teachers, special teachers, such as Environmental Studies teachers, and teachers without children.

Dr. Sara A. Wilcox

Answered that there were two parts. Part I is the state identifying the top 10% throughout the state in FCAT reading and math. Part II is that a Performance Pay plan must be negotiated for all of the other teachers based on very objective criteria, such as testing. It can not require any kind of an application process, and 10% of the teachers have to receive 5% in Performance Pay. She stated that performance pay had a lot of support from the State Board of Education. She stated that we need to work with it, negotiate, and try to be as inclusive as we can with all of our teachers.

Laurie Gaylord

Felt the Cyberbullying was very informative, and she felt the need to be proactive to educate the community about the issue. She appreciated the update on the new middle school. She described the release of butterflies at Hobe Sound Elementary. She stated that it was a fabulous event. She congratulated JBHS on their soccer win and their winner wrestler. She stated that good things are happening at JBHS. She reported that she had been out visiting some of the schools. She was amazed that teachers at SFHS had stepped up to the plate to mentor over two pages of students. She said she could not say enough to praise our teachers. She attended an audiology conference in New York. They were looking at the importance of phonology. At the conference they stated that if students had not mastered phonology by the end of first grade, or had not mastered fluency in reading by third grade, those students were future drop outs. She stated it was nice to see that the same things being done in Florida to help children were being done across disciplines.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, Laurie Gaylord adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

VICE-CHAIR (Laurie Gaylord)

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