



Regular School Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 16, 2007 – 7:00 p.m.
School Board Meeting Room
Stuart, FL 34994

Members Present

Laurie Gaylord-Chair
Nancy Kline-Vice-Chair
Dr. David Anderson
Susan Hershey
Lorie Shekailo
Dr. Sara A. Wilcox, Superintendent
Doug Griffin, School Board Attorney
Haley Garverick, Student Representative (MCHS)

Members Absent

Staff Present

Hank Salzler, Ruth Pietruszewski, Ed Parker, Darla Miloszewski, Deana Newson, Rodger Osborne, Willie Sauls, Pat Schmoyer, Ed Parker, Steve Weil, Marshall Skinner, Garrett Grabowski, J.Lisle Bozeman, Linda King Teresa D'Albora, Nancy Marin, Gail Olsen, Victoria Defenthaler, Rae Hollenbeck, Delores Calloway, Kerry Lewis, Sean Lewis, Joan Hunt, Lucas Parker, Dr. Joyce Holmes, Joan Gibbons, Marshall Skinner, Tracey Little, Ginger Featherstone, Julie Sessa, Betty Hickox

Public

Mark Gaylord, Jackie Jackson, Tim Black, Mark Ciotti,

Press PBPPost – Rachel Simonsen Stuart News – Kelly Tyko

MCEA – No Representative **AFSCME** – Lisa Edwards

Call to Order by the 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 called the Board's attention to an updated Personnel Recommendation, under the Consent Agenda, Item 8-J-1. Dr. Sara A. Wilcox removed from Item 13, the 2007-2008 SAC membership for the Dr. David L. Anderson Middle School. Dr. Sara A. Wilcox removed from Item 14, the 2006-2007 School Improvement Plan Final Report and 2007-2008 School Improvement Plan for Dr. David L. Anderson Middle School. Dr. Sara A. Wilcox requested to remove Under New Agreements, Item 8-C-1, "Approve Master Affiliation Agreement FIAT Programs between School Board of Martin County and Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees." Nancy Kline stated she had a request to pull a personnel recommendation for Facilities.

B. Approval of the Agenda

Dr. David Anderson moved approval of the modified Agenda, Lorie Shekailo seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval of the Minutes:*

Nancy Kline moved approval of the 9/18/07 Special School Board and Regular School Board Meeting minutes, Sue Hershey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Recognitions:* None

4. Presentations:*

A. Interactive School Board Mapping System Demo (COPY ATTACHED)

Steve Weil, Executive Director of Educational Technology, demonstrated the interactive School Board mapping system. He stated that the system was brought on-line in late July. The School District had partnered with the Martin County Board of County Commissioners and utilized their interactive Geographical Information Services (GIS). Steve illustrated many uses, such as measuring distances.

5. Open to the Public:*

- Lisa Edwards, AFSCME President of Local 597, thanked the Board for the negotiation team and settling the contract so quickly. She addressed transportation issues and stated that Kathy Ritch and the payroll department were the best. She explained the minor payroll issues concerning Transportation checks and felt the payroll department had handled them quickly and efficiently.
- Richard Hall, publisher of out2 Martin County.com online newspaper, thanked the Board. After 40 years in the education business, he felt he had the expertise to state emphatically that the Martin County School District was second to none in this great country. He stated that there may be schools that were equal to Martin County, but he assured that none were better.
- Richard Grimes thanked Board members for changing the school district's mailer process, so that it would accommodate two mailing addresses. He complemented the Board for making a special effort to accommodate his need.
- Scott Watson expressed his opinions on how to handle construction projects and gave the Board his advice.
- Tommie Davis, MCSD bus driver, stated that she had a wonderful job and worked with excellent workers. She requested that a minor issue with her paycheck be looked into.
- The Superintendent promised that the issue would be looked into.

6. Removal of Items from the Consent Agenda:*

Nancy Kline removed under Personnel Recommendations, #1 of Item 8-J-1, Courtney Morgan, a building official for Facilities. Lorie Shekailo did not agree that the item should be pulled from the Consent Agenda. Dr. David Anderson explained that by law the Board must accept the Superintendent's recommendation, unless one of the seven deadly sins had been committed.

7. Approve Consent Agenda:*

Sue Hershey moved approval of the Consent agenda excluding #1 of Item 8-J-1, Courtney Morgan, under Personnel Recommendations. Lorie Shekailo seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. 07/08 FY Attendance Zones:*** - (COPY ATTACHED)
- B. Requests:***
 - 1. **Use of Facilities:*** (COPY ATTACHED)
 - 2. **Field Trips / Use of Buses / Vehicles:*** (COPY ATTACHED)
- C. New Agreements:***
 - 1. ~~Approve Master Affiliation Agreement FIAT Programs between School Board of Martin County and Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees~~
(REMOVED FROM AGENDA)
 - 2. **Approve Student Exchange Agreement 2007-2008 between the School Board of Okeechobee County, FL, and the School Board of Martin County, FL:*** (COPY ATTACHED)
- D. Renewal Agreements:***
 - 1. **Approve Florida College Entry-Level Placement Test Agreement between Indian River Community College and the School Board of Martin County, FL**
(COPY ATTACHED)
 - 2. **Approve Microsoft Campus and School Agreement for District Software**
(COPY ATTACHED)
- E. Addenda Agreements:*** None
- F. New Grants:*** None
- G. Renewal Grants:*** None
- H. Disposal of Surplus Property:*** (COPY ATTACHED)

8. CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)

- I. Head Start Policy Council Minutes for September 28, 2007 and October 5, 2007:*
(COPY ATTACHED)

J. Personnel Items:*

1. Schedule of Personnel Recommendations (COPY ATTACHED)
2. Leaves Authorized by the Superintendent (COPY ATTACHED)
3. Settlement Agreement for Michael McKuhen (COPY ATTACHED)

9. Items Removed from the Agenda:*

Sue Hershey moved approval of Courtney Morgan, Building Official, Facilities, under the Consent Agenda, under Personnel Recommendations, #1 of Item 8-J-1, Lorie Shekailo seconded, and the motion passed 4-1, with Nancy Kline casting the dissenting vote.

10. Construction:*

Nancy Kline moved approval of Item 10, with discussion.

Nancy Kline asked if there was a recommendation from the Superintendent and Facilities. Dr. Sara A. Wilcox's answer was affirmative.

Dr. David Anderson seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

- A. Approve Change Order #1 and Final Payment to Kirchman Construction Co. for Parking Lot Addition at Stuart Adult Learning Center (COPY ATTACHED)
- B. Approve W.G. Mills, Inc. Request of Release of Retainage for All Subcontractors Listed for the Warfield Elementary Cafetorium (COPY ATTACHED)
- C. Approve Report of Change Orders under \$25,000 (COPY ATTACHED)
- D. Approve Amendment with Florida Architects, Inc. for Professional Architectural Services for Spectrum Road Closure Project (COPY ATTACHED)
- E. Approve Amendment with Florida Architects, Inc. for Professional Architectural Services to Building 18 at the Stuart Learning Center to Remodel for the Records Department (COPY ATTACHED)
- F. Approve Easement for FPL to Provide Power for New Construction at Pinewood Elementary (COPY ATTACHED)

11. Finance:*

Sue Hershey expressed her pleasant feelings that the charter schools were all doing well. She commended them.

Sue Hershey moved approval of Item 11, Lorie Shekailo seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

- A. Approve Purchase Orders/Contracts (COPY ATTACHED)
- B. Approve 2006-2007 Wellness Report (COPY ATTACHED)
- C. Approve Monthly Financial Statement-September 2007 (COPY ATTACHED)
- D. Approve Budget Amendment-Food Service Fund #08-4102 (COPY ATTACHED)
- E. Approve Budget Amendment-Special Revenue #08-4202 (COPY ATTACHED)
- F. Approve Budget Amendment-Capital Fund #08-302 (COPY ATTACHED)
- G. Approve Budget Amendment-General Fund #08-102 (COPY ATTACHED)
- H. ~~Accept Education Foundation of Martin County, Inc., Independent Auditors' Report for Year Ended June 30, 2007~~ (COPY ATTACHED)
- I. Accept Clark Advanced Learning Center, Independent Auditors' Report for Year Ended June 30, 2007 (COPY ATTACHED)
- J. Accept The Hope Center for Autism, Inc., Independent Auditors' Report for Year Ended June 30, 2007 (COPY ATTACHED)

12. Bid Recommendations:*

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

- A. Approval to Award Bid
 1. Spam Blocking Appliance with 3 Year License-MCSD Bid # 1007-0-2007/JC (COPY ATTACHED)
- B. Approval to Piggyback Bid
 1. School District of Palm Beach County Bid # CP4-Annual Covered Walkway Procurement (COPY ATTACHED)
- C. Approval to Piggyback of RFP
 1. Marion County School District RFP # 3029JD Digital Multifunctional Copier Equipment, and Provision of Supplies (COPY ATTACHED)

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13. **Approve 2007-2008 SAC Membership for: ~~Dr. David L. Anderson Middle~~, (REMOVED FROM AGENDA) Bessey Creek Elementary, Crystal Lake Elementary, Felix A. Williams Elementary, Hidden Oaks Middle, Hobe Sound Elementary, Jensen Beach High, Martin County High, Murray Middle, Palm City Elementary, Pinewood Elementary, Port Salerno Elementary, South Fork High, Spectrum:*** (COPY ATTACHED)

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Dr. David Anderson moved approval of Item 13, with the Dr. David L. Anderson 2007-2008 SAC membership being removed, Lorie Shekailo seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

14. **Approve 2006-2007 School Improvement Plans Final Report and 2007-2008 School Improvement Plans for: ~~Dr. David L. Anderson Middle~~, (REMOVED FROM AGENDA) Bessey Creek Elementary, Crystal Lake Elementary, Felix A. Williams Elementary, Hidden Oaks Middle, Hobe Sound Elementary, Jensen Beach High, Martin County High, Murray Middle, Palm City Elementary, Pinewood Elementary, Port Salerno Elementary, South Fork High, Spectrum:*** (COPY ATTACHED)

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Dr. David Anderson moved approval of Item 14, with the Dr. David L. Anderson 2006-2007 School Improvement Plan Final Report and 2007-2008 School Improvement Plan removed, Sue Hershey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

15. **Approve District Submission of High School Major Areas of Interest:*** (COPY ATTACHED)

Sue Hershey moved approval of Item 15, Nancy Kline seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

- ~~16. **Provide Direction Regarding Extension of County's Affordable Housing Loan Program:*** (REMOVED FROM AGENDA)~~

17. **Open to the Board:***

Haley Garverick

Updated high school activities and events. She discussed this year's Homecoming.

Nancy Kline

Reported that she had met with Doug Griffin and Dr. Sara A. Wilcox to discuss construction issues. She announced that she would like to look into implementing a Construction Oversight Committee.

Sue Hershey

Reported that she and Laurie Gaylord went to the Stuart Heritage Museum event. She felt the displays were attention-grabbing. She explained that the museum housed the original records of the City of Stuart and the County. She felt the Indian displays were fascinating.

Laurie Gaylord

Described the Stuart Heritage Museum event as a step back in time. She was impressed that the museum housed record number one, the first original record in Stuart, Florida.

Sue Hershey

Asked when the Reorganizational meeting was planned.

Dr. Sara A. Wilcox

Discussed with Board members rescheduling the time of the November 20, 2007 School Board meeting. She asked Board members what time they would prefer. She stated that the meeting would be held the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. It would be the Reorganizational meeting.

Sue Hershey

Preferred an earlier time. She suggested rescheduling the time to 9:00 a.m.

Sue Hershey made a motion to reschedule the time of the November 20, 2007 Reorganizational School Board meeting to 9:00 a.m., Dr. David Anderson seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Sue Hershey

Expressed her concerns about the Florida Legislature holding school districts harmless over the budget cuts. She expressed her concerns over the abundance of public record requests. She conveyed that these costs should be recoverable from the people making the requests.

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Dr. Sara A. Wilcox

Introduced Joan Gibbons as the new Principal of Hobe Sound Elementary. She affirmed that Joan had acted as the Assistant Principal since 2005. Sara remarked that she would like to bring Essie back and present her with her plaque. She asserted that one would be unable to find anyone who loves kids more than Essie. She announced that the state Board of Education approved exclusivity for only three school districts, and Martin County was not one of them. The ruling meant that charter school applicants will be able to go directly to a state panel for approval of a new charter school and bypass the local school board.

Laurie Gaylord

Announced that the FSBA legislative meeting would be next week.

Lorie Shekailo

Stated that she would be unable to attend.

Sue Hershey

Stated that she would attend.

Laurie Gaylord

Expressed her amazement that Homecoming was upon them. She just could not believe it was time for exams.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, Laurie Gaylord adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Laurie Gaylord cleared the Board room for the expulsion.

18. Student Expulsion:*
A. ST07/08:010

There being no further business to bring before the Board, Laurie Gaylord adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

CHAIR (Laurie Gaylord)

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