

Inverness, Florida
September 26, 2017

A Special Meeting and Workshop was held in the Board Room of the District Services Center located at 1007 West Main Street, Inverness, Florida on Tuesday, September 26, 2017. Present: Sandra “Sam” Himmel – Superintendent; Virginia Bryant – Chairman, Douglas A. Dodd – Vice Chairman, School Board Members: Sandra Counts, Thomas Kennedy, Linda B. Powers and R. Wesley Bradshaw, School Board Attorney.

SPECIAL MEETING:

Chairman Bryant opened the Special Meeting at 9:00 a.m. Thomas Kennedy presented opening exercises with a patriotic tribute followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA AS RECOMMENDED BY SUPERINTENDENT

Linda Powers moved to the adoption of agenda as recommended by Superintendent; seconded by Douglas Dodd and carried unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

SCHOOL OPERATIONS, MIKE MULLEN

- A. Approved the 2017-2018 District Testing Calendar for Citrus County Schools (copy in supplemental file)

Amy Crowell, Director of Research and Accountability, outlined the rationale for the components of the Uniform Statement Assessment Calendar. Board members Counts and Kennedy offered their opinion on the State testing mandates. Douglas Dodd referenced to page 8 and questioned the District Assessment line item (District Window: September 11, 2017 – May 24, 2018) and received clarification from Mrs. Crowell. Following discussion, Thomas Kennedy moved to approve the 2017-2018 District Testing Calendar for Citrus County Schools; seconded by Sandra Counts and carried unanimously.

SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES, JONNY BISHOP

- A. Human Resources, Suzy Swain
 - 1) Approved Instructional and Support Recommendations (copy in supplemental file)

Suzy Swain, Director of Human Resources, distributed a revised goldenrod for consideration. Thomas Kennedy moved to approve the Instructional and Support Recommendations; seconded by Douglas Dodd and carried unanimously.

ATTORNEY, LEGAL MATTERS

None.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT NEEDS TO COME BEFORE THE SCHOOL BOARD

Linda Powers distributed copies of the School Health Advisory Committee agenda she attended on September 6, 2017. She highlighted the Integrated Nature of Behavioral Health and Physical Health portion. (Copy in supplemental file) Mrs. Powers noted that she had attended the School Advisory Enhancement Council meeting for Withlacoochee Technical College and shared on various topics which were discussed that included the upcoming Job Fair and the benefits of the WTC alternative calendar. She questioned and received clarification on the SAEC plan still being approved to adhere to the district policy even though state mandates have changed. In addition, Mrs. Powers attended the School Advisory Enhancement Council Meetings for Hernando Elementary School and Citrus High School. She briefly reflected on those informative meetings and the enthusiasm of parents, students, staff and community members participating on those Council's.

Sandra Counts shared she recently completed her fourth mandatory training component (Forums) to complete her Certified Board Member Program. She commended administration and staff on the initiative that were taken when opening shelters to protect our classrooms by locking those doors and not allowing access to those areas. Ms. Counts noted she had attended the School Advisory Enhancement Council Meetings for Lecanto Middle School and Rock Crusher Elementary School. She commended them for their organized agenda and productive meetings.

Thomas Kennedy shared he attended the School Advisory Enhancement Council for Cypress Creek and reflected on the diploma and vocational certification opportunities being offered to those individuals. Data supports that majority of individuals who achieve certifications while incarcerated typically do not re-offend. He noted that Cypress Creek is housing an additional 60 individuals from St. Augustine for several months because their facility was flooded. Mr. Kennedy participated on the Florida School Board Association Legislative Committee on September 25, 2017 in Gainesville. He welcomed any legislative comments and /or suggestions from his colleagues before he attend the next meeting scheduled for October 26, 2017.

Douglas Dodd expressed his desire in the Board participating in the Veteran's Day Parade held on November 11, 2017. He referenced to various activities being

planned in schools honoring Veteran's on November 10. Mr. Dodd requested School Advisory Education Council board members assignments be placed on a future Workshop agenda for discussion.

Chairman Bryant referenced to the Veteran's Day Parade participation and gained consensus for participation. She requested transportation be contacted to secure a bus for the parade. Mrs. Bryant noted she attended School Advisory Enhancement Council Meetings for Lecanto Primary School and Lecanto High School. In addition, she attended Dr. Ralph Massullo's, State Representative, Open House on September 25, 2017. She announced the Board had been invited to the Dragon Boat Races held on November 11, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bryant adjourned the Special Meeting at 9:47 a.m.

WORKSHOP

Chairman Bryant opened the Workshop at 10:01 a.m.

TOPICS:

A. Policy Review

Chuck Dixon, Director of Planning and Growth Management, outlined the changes to the following policies which will be placed on a future agenda for seeking approval for advertising for a Public Hearing.

Policy 5.80, Athletics (copy in supplemental file)

Policy 6.301, Conflict of Interest in Purchasing (copy in supplemental file)

Policy 8.80, Records Retention and Disposal (copy in supplemental file)

B. State of the District – Part I

Amy Crowell, Director of Research and Accountability, shared the agenda outline for the State of the District – Part I. (Copy in supplemental file) She highlighted on the District and School grades, the 2016-2017 Data & Analysis (ELA & Social Studies), District Initiatives and how do they look in action? Various staff members participated in facilitating the presentation.

Chairman Bryant called for a short recess at 11:33 a.m. and the Workshop was reconvened at 11:40 a.m.

The presentation continued relative to the Middle and High Curriculum & Instruction in ELA and Social Studies. Mrs. Crowell noted the State of the District - Part 2 will be held on October 24, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bryant closed the Workshop at 12:31 p.m.

Virginia Bryant
Chairman

Sandra Himmel
Superintendent