

School Board of Alachua County, Florida

Mission Statement: We are committed to the success of every student!

School Board Meeting
Tuesday, August 20, 2013, 6 p.m.
Kirby-Smith Center Boardroom

A G E N D A

A. CALL TO ORDER--PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. July 23, 2013, School Board Meeting
2. July 30, 2013, Special School Board Meeting

C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

D. BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

E. CITIZEN INPUT *(Fifteen (15) minutes will be provided for citizens to address the Board prior to the regular business meeting. It is requested that citizens keep their comments to approximately three (3) minutes.)*

F. CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board approve the Consent Agenda as described in items 1-13.

1. Employment of Personnel—[Attachment A](#) (Lyons)
2. Bid(s) and Requisition(s)—[Attachment B](#) (Hackett)
3. Purchased Products/Services between \$12,500 and \$24,999—[Attachment C](#) (Hackett)
4. [2013-14 Contract with the University of Florida College of Dentistry, Department of Pediatrics](#) (Crowell)

A contract has been prepared with the University of Florida College of Dentistry, Department of Pediatrics, to provide dental services to approximately 400 Head Start/School Readiness children during the 2013-14 school year. Services will include dental screening and appropriate follow-up treatment. Grant funds are provided specifically for this purpose. Amount not to exceed \$8,000.

5. [2013-14 Contract with Rural Health Care, Inc., Azalea Health](#) (Crowell)

A contract has been prepared with Rural Health Care, Inc., Azalea Health, to provide dental services to Head Start children during the 2013-14 school year. Services will include dental screenings and appropriate follow-up treatment. Federal grant funds are provided specifically for this purpose. Amount not to exceed \$2,500.

6. [2013-14 Contract with Santa Fe College](#) (Crowell)

A contract has been prepared with Santa Fe College to provide Child Development training for the Head Start program to include a Bachelor's degree, Associate degree, Florida Child Care Professional Credential (FCCPS) and/or up to 40 hours of Department of Children and Families Child Care Worker training. The contract covers an application fee, tuition, textbooks, and/or rental of textbooks and educational supplies. Contract not to exceed \$43,000.

7. [2013-14 Contract with Teacher Education and Compensation Helps \(T.E.A.C.H.\) Early Childhood Scholarship Program](#) **(Crowell)**

A contract has been prepared with T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood Scholarship Program to provide scholarships for Head Start staff to work toward earning an AS degree in Child Development and Education. The contract also establishes a partnership for the sharing of expenses by the scholarship recipient, the Head Start program, and the T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood Scholarship program. The cost to the Alachua County Public Schools Head Start Program will not exceed \$2,000.

8. [2013-14 Contract with Bertram Hughes, D.M.D.](#) **(Crowell)**

A contract has been prepared with Dr. Bertram Hughes, D.M.D., to provide dental services to Head Start children during the 2013-14 school year. Services will include dental screenings and appropriate follow-up treatment. Grant funds are provided specifically for this purpose, which will not exceed \$5,000.

9. [2013-14 Contract with National Mentor Healthcare, Inc.](#) **(Crowell)**

A contract has been prepared with National Mentor Healthcare, Inc., to provide individual and group Mental Health/Social Emotional Development consultation services to preschool-age children who are enrolled in the Head Start Program and have been identified, screened and referred for professional services for the 2013-14 school year. The funds allocated for the services are provided through federal and state grants not to exceed \$2,000.

10. [2013-14 Title I, Part A: Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged Project Application](#) **(Lagotic)**

The Title I project includes twenty-one (21) traditional schools, eight (8) charter schools, two (2) private schools, Horizon Center, Character Counts Center, and the A. Quinn Jones Center. Individual school plans are integrated into school improvement plans and include research-based models incorporating computer-assisted instruction, direct instruction, study skills strategies, and extended learning opportunities.

11. [2013-14 Title I, Part D: Subpart II, Local Agency Programs for Neglected and Delinquent Students Project Application](#) **(Lagotic)**

The activities described and funds allocated in this project application are designed to meet the educational needs of students who are identified as at-risk and who are being served in programs at Alachua Regional Juvenile Detention Center, Alachua Academy, AMIKids, and PACE Center for Girls, which are designed for neglected and delinquent students.

12. [21st Century Grant Application: Project Discovery](#) **(Caudle)**

A new, competitive proposal has been prepared for submission to the Florida Department of Education for a 21st Century Community Learning Center grant for six (6) elementary schools. This grant program, entitled Project Discovery, provides after-school programs at Alachua, Duval, Irby, Metcalfe, Shell and Williams Elementary Schools. Program activities are designed to improve students' academic performance, particularly in reading, math and science, and to provide students with engaging activities in a safe environment during the time when school is not in session. Funds totaling \$588,452 will be used for teacher stipends and benefits, supplies, equipment, field trips, transportation for students, a project manager, and travel for required program meetings.

13. [2013-14 Contractual Agreement with Meridian Behavioral Healthcare, Inc.](#) (Crowell)

A contract has been prepared with Meridian Behavioral Health Care, Inc., to provide staff development, therapeutic and preventative mental health services for children served by the Alachua County Public Schools Head Start Program for the 2013-14 school year. The funds allocated for the services are provided through federal and state grants not to exceed \$10,000.

G. ACTION ITEMS

1. [Strategic Plan Goals and Outcomes, 2013-2016](#) (Caudle)

In response to a Board initiative, and beginning in February 2012, the process of developing a revised Strategic Plan for Alachua County Public Schools was begun. Input was sought through a series of workshops (including four (4) focus group sessions and two open community forums) attended by community agencies, representatives from schools across the District (consisting of school staff, teachers, parents, and students), and members of the community at large. Additionally, over 500 citizens provided input on a core belief survey, and further input was taken through a link provided on the District Website. A series of Goals and Outcomes aligned to this input have been developed for the Alachua County Public School Strategic Plan, 2013-2016.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board approve the Strategic Plan Goals and Outcomes. Next steps include development of a series of action Plans, aligned to the Goals and Outcomes and to Board Priorities.

2. Employee Case(s) (Lyons)

H. CITIZEN INPUT *(This provides citizens the opportunity to address the Board following the regular business meeting. It is requested that citizens keep their comments to approximately three (3) minutes.)*

I. DISCUSSION ITEM—[2014 Legislative Priorities](#) (Johnson)

J. BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT REQUESTS

K. ADJOURNMENT

Upcoming Meetings:

- School Board Meeting, Tuesday, September 3, 2013, 6 p.m., Boardroom
- School Board Meeting, Tuesday, September 17, 2013, 6 p.m., Boardroom
- School Board Retreat, Tuesday, September 24, 2013, 9 a.m., Matheson Museum

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