

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA
APPROVED MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
May 7, 2013

The School Board of Alachua County, Florida, met in regular session duly called at 6 p.m. in the Boardroom, 620 East University Avenue, Gainesville, Florida. Present were: Eileen Roy, Chairman; Gunnar Paulson, Vice-Chairman; April Griffin, Leanetta McNealy, and Carol Oyenarte, Board members; W. Daniel Boyd, Jr., Superintendent; and David Delaney, Attorney for the Board.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Roy, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Dr. McNealy

Seconded by Mrs. Griffin

Moved to approve the April 2, 2013, Budget Workshop minutes, as presented.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

Motion by Mrs. Griffin

Seconded by Dr. Paulson

Moved to approve the April 2, 2013, Policy Workshop minutes, as presented.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

Motion by Dr. McNealy

Seconded by Mrs. Griffin

Moved to approve the April 16, 2013, School Board meeting minutes, as presented.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Mrs. Griffin

Seconded by Dr. McNealy

Moved to adopt the agenda for the April 16, 2013, School Board meeting, as amended.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

RECOGNITION
FOUNDATION
FOR SUCCESS

Mrs. Judy Boles, Executive Director, the Education Foundation, introduced Ms. Amy Mangun, Duke Energy, who presented the Foundation with a check for \$8,000.

2013 STATE
YOUTH VOLUNTEER
OF THE YEAR

Mrs. Liz Stark, Director of Volunteer Programs, presented student Hannah Rogers, EHS, with the 2013 State Youth Volunteer of the Year award.

TEEN TRENDSETTER
LEADERSHIP AND
SERVICE AWARD
WINNERS

Mrs. Stark presented Teen Trendsetter Leadership and Service Awards to:

- Caroline Kostamo, Buchholz High School
- Emile Song, Eastside High School
- Courtney Kramer, Gainesville High School

SCHEDULED AGENCY
PFLAG

Ellen Louis, President, PFLAG (Parents, Family and Friends of Lesbians, Gays, Bisexual and Transgender Persons) Gainesville, addressed the Board concerning the group's background and its main purpose, which is awareness, support, education and advocacy. Associate Sue Latell shared a personal story.

BOARD MEMBER/
SUPERINTENDENT
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board members announced/commented on recent activities/events:

Dr. McNealy:

- Sidney Lanier Prom
- Student Government Breakfast
- Community meetings for input on the Strategic Plan
- GHS Track and Field awards
- Newberry Elementary inclusive education achievements
- EHS Latin American "Tintoros" (Painters) study
- Annual Fifth Grade Fun Day at Citizens Field

Mrs. Griffin:

- Teacher Appreciation Week
- School Nurse Day
- FluMist Celebration
- Academic Scholars Banquet
- Shell Elementary Science Night
- HHS Drama *Bits of Broadway*
- GHS Campus Beautification Day
- BHS DECA Mind Your Own Business - third place in national competition
- EHS Culinary program – 7th place in ProStart Restaurant competition
- SFHS first-ever Debate Team won state and is going to National competition
- GHS is going to state softball tournament

Dr. Paulson:

- Complimented retired Deputy Superintendent Sandy Hollinger on her outstanding work in developing the Strategic Planning process.
- Attended Career Tech Award Ceremony

On Mrs. Oyenarte's behalf, Mrs. Griffin reviewed some details of the Boardroom artwork, provided by Archer Elementary School; teacher Kristi Hill, Newberry Elementary School, teacher Susan Ling; Norton Elementary School, teacher Nicole Reno.

Dr. Paulson encouraged people to get involved in development of the District Strategic Plan process.

Mrs. Roy:

Success of the FluMist program

CITIZEN INPUT

Nicole Beiner, GHS Math teacher, informed the Board that a documentary

about the One-Mill and the importance of arts in the classroom, was produced by students in Tony Malo's Web design classroom. She stated that it is a well-done video and she will be forwarding a copy to Board members.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Dr. McNealy

Seconded by Dr. Paulson

Moved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Consent Agenda as described in items 1-13.

Chairman Roy pulled for comment Item H.8., Early Intervention Services – Head Start Program; and Item H.12, Design Development/Construction Documents for Project SBAC B1204, Kitchen Air Conditioning at Buchholz, Eastside and Newberry High Schools.

In response to Mrs. Roy's questions about how the 5% Sequestration reduction was achieved, Head Start Director Mrs. Ann Crowell stated that enrollment was reduced from 640 children to 600. In addition, staff will be reduced by 6 people, through attrition. The program has been reduced from 180 days to 175 days.

Dr. McNealy expressed hope that a change might be made before this would go into effect. Dr. Paulson encouraged people to contact their representatives in Congress.

Mr. Keith Birkett, Assistant Superintendent, Planning and Budget, stated that the installation of kitchen air conditioning at BHS, EHS and NHS will take place over the summer.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

PROCLAMATION - SENIOR CORPS VOLUNTEER WEEK

Mr. Gene Tysowsky, Program Coordinator, Alachua County Commission's Foster Grandparent program, reported that as part of celebrating May as Older Americans Month, May 6-10 has been designated to recognize the contributions that Older Volunteers have made. The Board's adoption of this Proclamation will send a message of thanks to those who are engaged with special needs children in Head Start, elementary schools, after school programs and daycares.

Motion by Mrs. Griffin

Seconded by Dr. McNealy

Moved the Superintendent's recommendation to adopt the Proclamation proclaiming the week of May 6-10, 2013, as Senior Corps Volunteer Week in Alachua County Public Schools, as presented.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

FIRST RENEWAL CHARTER CONTRACT – HOGGETOWNE MIDDLE SCHOOL, INC.

Hoggetowne Middle School, Inc., located at 1717 NE 9th Street, Gainesville, Florida, is a charter middle school serving students in grades 6-8 and has operated continuously since the 2002 school year.

The school's charter contract (2002-2013) expires on June 30, 2013. The proposed first renewal charter contract sets forth the terms and conditions for operation of the school, and follows the state template. It has a term of five (5) years from July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2018.

Motion by Mrs. Griffin

Seconded by Dr. Paulson

Moved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the first renewal Charter Contract with Hoggetown Middle School, Inc., (2013-2018), as presented.

SBAC Chief Financial Officer Scott Ward and Hoggetowne Bookkeeper responded to questions from Dr. Paulson.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

SECOND AMENDMENT TO
MICANOPY AREA
COOPERATIVE SCHOOL

Micanopy Area Cooperative School is requesting that their charter be amended to increase their maximum enrollment 15%. They would be serving a maximum of 172 students in VPK through fifth grade.

Motion by Mrs. Griffin

Seconded by Dr. Paulson

Moved the Superintendent's recommendation to Board approve the Second Amendment to the Micanopy Area Cooperative School, as presented.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

ADOPTION AND
AMENDMENT OF BOARD
POLICIES –

Motion by Mrs. Griffin

Seconded by Dr. McNealy

Moved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the proposed new policies and proposed policy amendments, as presented.

SECOND READING

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

AMENDMENT OF BYLAW
0156, LEGAL COUNSEL –

Staff Attorney Brian Moore noted there is a typographical correction that should be made, which changes the language regarding submission of the written evaluation from 'Board Chair' to 'Superintendent'.

FIRST READING

Motion by Dr. McNealy

Seconded by Dr. Paulson

Moved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the proposed Bylaw amendments, as amended, for advertising, and schedule a public hearing for June 4, 2013, at 6:30 p.m.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 3-2

Yes: McNealy

Paulson

Roy

No: Griffin

Oyenarte

Both Mrs. Griffin and Mrs. Oyenarte stated that their votes are consistent with their opposition throughout the discussions on Legal Counsel.

EMPLOYEE CASE No.
E1213-13

Motion by Mrs. Griffin

Seconded by Dr. McNealy

Moved the Superintendent's recommendation to suspend the employee without pay, effective May 8, 2013, pending the outcome of the grievance procedure.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

CITIZEN INPUT

There was no citizen input.

BOARD MEMBER/ SUPERINTENDENT REQUESTS

Based on input from the student government meeting, Mrs. Griffin requested the matter of student uniforms be revisited.

Dr. McNealy reported on a meeting she attended at the Health Department, where it was stated that Alachua County has the fourth highest incidence of STDs in the state. She spoke extensively on the plans of the Health Department and UF for a community effort against the problem. Dr. McNealy requested the District's involvement in a grassroots effort and comprehensive plan with other agencies in the community. Chairman Roy concurred.

Mrs. Oyenarte brought up the matter of Board member's attendance at Hawthorne High School graduation. Dr. Paulson stated that he will attend Hawthorne. Dr. McNealy suggested rotation of Board member graduation attendance in the future.

Mrs. Oyenarte requested a review of middle and high school zoning in areas that were affected by elementary rezoning when Meadowbrook Elementary School was opened.

Mrs. Roy requested that all principals make a much stronger push to increase attendance at annual Health Fairs.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman announced upcoming meetings and declared the meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.