

The District School Board of Indian River County met on July 28, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Teacher Education Center located in the School District Office at the J.A. Thompson Administrative Center located at 1990 25th Street, Vero Beach, Florida 32960. District School Board Members attending were: Chairman Matthew McCain, Vice Chairman Charles G. Searcy, and Board Members: Claudia Jiménez, Dale Simchick, and Shawn R. Frost. Dr. Mark J. Rendell, Superintendent of Schools; and Suzanne D'Agresta, School Board Attorney, were also present. Prior to the meeting, an invocation was given by Preacher Ken Brooks from His Laboring Few Biker Ministry.

Business Meeting Minutes

- I. Meeting was called to order by Chairman McCain.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – Mr. Searcy
- III. ADOPTION OF ORDERS OF THE DAY
Chairman McCain called for a motion. Mrs. Simchick moved approval of the Orders of the Day. Mr. Searcy seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.
- IV. PRESENTATIONS
No presentations
- V. CITIZEN INPUT
Tiffany Justice requested to speak.
- VI. CONSENT AGENDA
Chairman McCain called for a motion. Ms. Jiménez moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Mrs. Simchick seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.
 - A. Approval of Minutes – Dr. Rendell**
 1. 2015-2016 Proposed Budget and Review of Legislative Conference Report Workshop held 6/23/2015
 2. Five-year Capital Outlay Plan and Performance Contracting held 6/23/2015
 3. Board Policy Updates Workshop held 6/23/2015
 4. Business Meeting held 6/23/2015
 5. Special Meeting held 7/14/2015Superintendent recommended approval.
 - B. Approval of Personnel Recommendations – Mr. Fritz**

Attached was a list of personnel recommendations that included personnel additions, terminations, and/or changes. Superintendent recommended approval.

C. Approval of 2015-2016 Transportation Service Agreement Renewals – Dr. Fritz

Attached were the 2015-2016 Transportation Agreements with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Indian River (B&GCIRC), Gifford Youth Activity Center (GYAC), Environmental Learning Center (ELC), Dasie Bridgewater Hope Center, Inc. (DHC), Indian River County 4-H Association (IRC 4-H), and Homeless Family Center, Inc., (HFC). The agreements were to provide transportation for a one-year period from July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016. Service would allow use of the District's Transportation Services from designated pick up locations to sites in Indian River County for their respective, sponsored programs. No cost to the District. Superintendent recommended approval.

D. Approval of Donation – Mr. Morrison

1. Sebastian River High School received a donation in the amount of \$1,000 for the Anthony La Rosa Scholarship from Alice LaRosa. The funds would be used for the graduating Sebastian River High School Crew Team athletes. A donation in the amount of \$5,000 was received from the Education Foundation of Indian River County. The funds would be used by the Sebastian River High School's culinary department for the purchase of food and related products for student instruction and training.
2. Dodgertown Elementary School received a donation in the amount of \$1,700 from the Dodgertown Elementary School PTA. The funds would be used to purchase headphones for the computer lab and classrooms at Dodgertown Elementary School. A donation of a piano was received from Mrs. Barbara Pitts to be used in the Dodgertown Music Program. The estimated value of the piano was \$1,000. Superintendent recommended approval.

E. Approval of Non-Degreed Part Time Instructor Rates - Dr. Fritz

When hourly wage rates were proposed in the Spring of 2015 for part time non-degreed instructors at the Technical Center for Career and Adult Education, a market analysis of competitiveness of wage rates had not been conducted. Recently, it was identified that the rates were below the market. The proposed adjustment from \$18/hour to \$22/hour placed the employees at the mid-point of comparison Districts. This change would be funded out of the program revenues. Superintendent recommended approval.

F. Approval of Renewal with AmeriCorps St. Lucie, Indian River & Okeechobee Reads and Indian River County School Board for 2015-2016 – Mr. Rynberg

This agreement outlined a mentoring collaboration between the School District and Big Brothers Big Sisters of St. Lucie, Indian River, and Okeechobee Counties, Inc., (BBBS). Mentors were recruited, screened, and trained by BBBS. These mentors would serve students in our elementary schools for the 2015-2016 school year. No cost to the District. Superintendent recommended approval.

G. Approval of Renewal with Big Brothers Big Sisters Interagency Agreement for 2015-2017 – Mr. Rynberg

Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS) would provide a reading, mentoring program to boys and girls in kindergarten to second grades, who were experiencing early academic difficulties due to reading problems. BBBS would provide one-to-one mentoring to our students. No cost to the District. Superintendent recommended approval.

H. Approval of Renewal with Statewide Voluntary Prekindergarten Provider Contract with the Early Learning Coalition 2015-2016- Mr. Rynberg

This statewide contract outlined the agreement between the School Board and the Early Learning Coalition of Indian River, Martin, and Okeechobee Counties, Inc. This standard State contract was for the school year 2015-2016. The School District of Indian River County would deliver Voluntary Prekindergarten services during the school year to 152 four-year-old children at six school sites, which were Dodgertown Elementary, Fellsmere Elementary, Glendale Elementary, Indian River Academy Elementary, Pelican Island Elementary, and Vero Beach Elementary for a total of 10 classrooms. Superintendent recommended approval.

I. Approval of Renewal for Multi-District Program Exceptional Student Education Services Agreement with St. Lucie/Indian River County 2015-2016 - Mr. Rynberg

Attached were two multi-district program agreements for the 2015-2016 School Year with St. Lucie County School District. St. Lucie County served our elementary hearing impaired students who may have needed a full time program. St. Lucie County collected the FTE for each student served. Only one Indian River County student currently attended school in St. Lucie County under this contact. These were renewal agreements for the 2015-2016 school year. This was an ongoing renewal contract, with no additional cost to District. Superintendent recommended approval.

J. Approval of Renewal with Wilson Language Training Corporation Contract for 2015-2016 – Mr. Rynberg

The Wilson Language Training Corporation in connection with The Learning Alliance provided Indian River School District's K-2 teachers with quality, professional development throughout the year on research-based reading strategies. All new teachers were expected to participate in any new teacher trainings prior to the start of the school year. No cost to the District. Superintendent recommended approval.

K. Approval of Out-of-County Student Admission to Indian River County from Brevard County for 2015-2016 – Mr. Rynberg

This was a request to attend school in Indian River County from Brevard County at Beachland Elementary. All necessary documents had been completed. Superintendent recommended approval.

L. Approval of Out-of-County Student Leaving Indian River County for 2015-2016 School Year – Mr. Rynberg

This was a request to attend school in Brevard County Schools for 2015-2016 school year. Superintendent recommended approval.

M. Approval of Revised 2015-2016 Pay Periods and Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) Managers Calendar – Dr. Fritz

Several adjustments were needed to the pay periods for non-instructional employees to align them with employees' work schedules for the upcoming year. In some cases, the existing pay periods would cause an unnecessary delay in employees receiving pay. The recommended revision would correct this problem. Additionally, the revised calendar for FNS managers reflected the designation of September 14, 2015, and January 19, 2016, as in-service training days. With an adjustment to the first and last days of work, the FNS Managers' would remain on a 196-day contract. The in-service training days were a new 'minimum professional education standard' requirement of the USDA for school nutrition professionals who managed and operated the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs. The professional education standards were a key provision of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (HHFKA). These new standards would ensure school nutrition personnel had the knowledge, training, and tools they needed to plan, prepare, and purchase healthy products to create nutritious, safe, and enjoyable school meals. Superintendent recommended approval.

VII. ACTION AGENDA

A. Public Hearing and Adoption of Revisions, Repeals, and New School Board Policies – Dr. Rendell

At the June 23, 2015, Board Workshop, the School Board discussed the Board Policy revisions, repeals, and new policies. At the June 23, 2015, Board Business Meeting, the Board set the date for the Public Hearing. The purpose of the revisions, repeals, and new policies was to bring Board policies into compliance with State Statutes and current practice of the School District. The policy change process was followed in accordance with Florida Administrative Procedures Act, Statute Statutes, and School Board Policy. A summary was attached, along with the policies. Superintendent recommended approval.

Public Hearing

Chairman McCain asked the Superintendent if the Public Hearing was properly advertised in accordance with State Statutes. Dr. Rendell said, "Yes, it was." Chairman McCain recessed the meeting to conduct the Public Hearing.

Chairman McCain announced that the Public Hearing was in session. He asked Dr. Rendell if there were any written responses to be read. Dr. Rendell said, "No, there were not." The public was invited to address this issue.

Hearing no requests to speak, Chairman McCain announced that the Public Hearing was conducted pursuant to notice and that ample opportunity to address this issue was provided to all. The Board meeting was reconvened.

Chairman McCain called for a motion. Mr. Frost moved approval of the adoption of revisions, repeals, and new School Board Policies. Mr. Searcy seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

B. Approval of 2015-2016 Schoolhouse Consulting Group, Inc., Contract Renewal – Chairman McCain

The contract renewal was for July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016, for legislative services for the Treasure Coast Work Group, representing issues common to the Treasure Coast Region. The Treasure Coast Workgroup was part of Mr. Crawford's contract with the Palm Beach School District. The attached invoice was for services for the 2016 Legislative Session. The purpose was to enhance federal legislative representation at a rate of \$30,875, pro-rated among Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, and St. Lucie School Districts. This amount continued at the same rate since 2009. The cost was \$6,792.50. Superintendent recommended approval.

Chairman McCain called for a motion. Mrs. Simchick moved approval of the 2015-2016 Schoolhouse Consulting Group, Inc., contract renewal. Ms. Jiménez seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

C. Approval to Amend Agreement for Architectural Services with C M Crawford Architect, Inc., for Citrus Elementary School Expansion Project (SDIRC #2013-09) – Mr. Morrison

Approval was requested to amend the Agreement for Architectural Services between the School Board of Indian River County and C M Crawford Architect, Inc., for design services for the Citrus Elementary School Expansion Project (SDIRC #2013-09). On December 2, 2013, the Board approved the agreement for Architectural Services between the School Board of Indian River County and C M Crawford Architect, Inc., with a total contract amount of \$502,234.00 for the design of a new cafeteria and new classroom building. The amended total contract amount of \$588,722.00, as defined in Exhibit "D", reflected an increase of \$83,988 for design services and \$2,500 for reimbursable expenses for a change in scope of work as per the original agreement from an original estimate of 12 classrooms adding four (4) additional classrooms, to the new classroom building for a total of 16 classrooms. Superintendent recommended approval.

Chairman McCain called for a motion. Mr. Frost moved approval to amend the agreement for architectural services with C M Crawford Architect, Inc., for Citrus Elementary School expansion project (SDIRC #2013-09). Ms. Jiménez seconded the motion. Mr. Morrison stated that the total projected student growth figure for the Citrus project was 790 students. Board Members discussed the motion. Ms. Jiménez requested that the issue of forecasting student growth for the future be placed on the next Discussion Session. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion, with a 5-0 vote.

D. Approval of Change Order to Pirtle Construction Company for the New Administration Complex Project (SDIRC #2014-22) – Mr. Morrison

Approval was requested to issue a change order in the amount of \$611,000.00 to Pirtle Construction Company for IT Upgrades for the New Administration Complex project (SDIRC #2014-22). The IT Upgrades would consist of voice/data networking, power supply and cooling system for the Data Center, and audio/visual enhancements for the TEC. This scope of work was initially priced bid as a part of the GMP, but was rebid by the District in an attempt to procure the equipment at a lesser rate. The bids came in significantly higher than what was acquired during the GMP process and Pirtle had agreed to honor their original pricing. On November 4, 2014, the Board approved Phase II Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) in the amount of \$5,399,380 for the New Administration Complex Project. The Phase II GMP amount would be increased to a total of \$6,010,380.00, with approval of the requested change order. Superintendent recommended approval.

Chairman McCain called for a motion. Ms. Jiménez moved approval of the change order to Pirtle Construction Company for the new Administration Center. Mrs. Simchick seconded the motion. Mr. Frost stated why he would not vote in favor of this item. The Board voted 4-1 in favor of the motion with a 4-1 vote. Mrs. Simchick, Ms. Jiménez, Mr. Searcy, and Chairman McCain voted in favor of the motion. Mr. Frost voted against the motion.

E. Approval of Correct Appendix A for Revised and Restated Joint Fiber Optics Project Interlocal Agreement with Indian River County and City of Vero Beach – Mr. Morrison

Approval was requested for the attached, correct version of Appendix A for the Revised and Restated Joint Fiber Optics Project Interlocal Agreement between the School Board of Indian River County, Indian River County, and the City of Vero Beach. On June 23, 2015, the Board approved the Revised and Restated Joint Fiber Optics Project Interlocal Agreement. The correct version of Appendix A includes on page 1 of 3 the following statement, "Fiber optic cable pricing shown on the costing model,

is sourced from the current IRC master contract agreement with Precision Contracting Services Inc. (PCS). This was current contracted fiber optic cable pricing, and was subject to adjusted cost changes, when the PCS master contract was re-negotiated". The correct version of Appendix A would be inserted into the Agreement upon approval. Superintendent recommended approval.

Chairman McCain called for a motion. Mr. Frost moved approval of the correct Appendix A for revised and restated Joint Fiber Optics Project Interlocal Agreement with Indian River County and City of Vero Beach. Ms. Jiménez seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

F. Approval to Issue Purchase Order(s) to Various Vendors for Reoccurring Expenditures - Mr. Morrison

Pursuant to School Board Policy 6320, the Superintendent's authority was limited to purchase commodities and/or contractual services per vendor where the total amount did not exceed \$50,000 and did not exceed the applicable appropriation in the District Budget. In an effort to streamline the District's procurement operations, the vendors on the attached list were companies and/or firms that the District would procure commodities and/or contractual services within the 2015-2016 fiscal year, with purchase orders that exceeded \$50,000. These purchases were recurring in nature for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. This request by the Purchasing Department was to grant authority to the Superintendent to issue purchase orders that were necessary in the normal course of operations during the year. This list represented recurring purchases from vendors who provide such product and services such as utilities, school supplies, existing copier leases, insurance, and the purchase of testing and copyrighted material such as Advanced Placement Program. These purchases were either bid exempt or authorized exemptions as per Florida Administrative Code 6A - 1.012 (11)(b). All other non-reoccurring purchases would be presented to the Board on an individual basis. Superintendent recommended approval.

Chairman McCain called for a motion. Ms. Jiménez moved approval to issue purchase order(s) to various vendors for reoccurring expenditures. Mrs. Simchick seconded the motion. Board Members discussed the motion. Dr. Rendell said that the District would provide Board Members with a report of expenditures on a monthly basis. The Board voted in favor of the motion with a 4-1 vote. Mr. Frost, Mrs. Simchick, Ms. Jiménez, and Chairman McCain voted in favor of the motion. Mr. Searcy voted against the motion.

G. Approval to Renew RFQ #2013-22 for Architectural Services for Small and Large Projects with Multiple Architectural Firms - Mr. Morrison

Pursuant to School Board Policy 6320 and the terms and conditions of RFQ #2013-22, the Purchasing Department requested approval to renew this RFQ from July 24, 2015, through July 23, 2016, and approval to issue all subsequent purchase orders, including those exceeding \$50,000. This award was made to multiple firms in two categories; small and large projects. Small projects were defined as construction projects whose cost was less than \$500,000 and large projects were all projects greater than that amount. Projects were assigned by the Facilities Department on a rotating or best fit basis. On July 23, 2013, the Board awarded the following firms for large projects: BRPH, Donadio & Associates Architects, P.A., Harvard Jolly, Inc. (formerly Tercilla Courtemanche Architects, Inc.), and Song + Associates, Inc. The following firms were awarded for small projects: BRPH; Donadio & Associates Architects, P.A.; Harvard Jolly, Inc. (formerly Tercilla Courtemanche Architects, Inc.); Edlund, Dritenbas, Binkley Architects; and Associates, P.A, and Song + Associates, Inc. All specifications, terms, and conditions would remain the same. The estimated expenditure for the 2015-2016 school year was \$500,000. Please see attached copies of the renewal letters. Superintendent recommended approval.

Chairman McCain called for a motion. Mrs. Simchick moved approval to renew RFQ #2013-22 for architectural services for small and large projects with multiple architectural firms. Mrs. Simchick Ms. Jiménez seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

H. Approval to Dispose of Surplus Property – Mr. Morrison

This request was for approval to dispose of surplus property in accordance with Florida Statutes 274.05 and 274.06. The attached lists represented property to be deleted from various inventories and/or for items that had been declared surplus. Included in this list were ten (10) buses that had been declared surplus by the District's Transportation Department. Two of the surplus buses Bus #206 and Bus #207, if Board approved, would be donated to the Gifford Youth Achievement Center (GYAC) of Indian River Inc., for their student programs. The GYAC's 501(c) (3) was on file with the District's Property Records Department. All District forms of liability release would be executed prior to the buses being released to GYAC. After Board approval all other property would be either recycled and/or auctioned. It was requested that this property on the attached sheet be deleted from the Fixed Asset Ledger. Superintendent recommended approval.

Chairman McCain called for a motion. Mr. Frost moved approval to dispose of surplus property. Mrs. Simchick seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

I. Approval to Piggyback Indian River County Bid #2012017 and to Issue a Purchase Order to Precision Contracting Services (PCS) for Reconfiguration of Fiber Optic Network Connections at all District Owned Facilities – Mr. Green

Pursuant to School Board Policy 6320, the Superintendent's authority was limited to purchase commodities and/or contractual services where the total amount did not exceed \$50,000 and did not exceed the applicable appropriation in the District budget. This request was to grant the authority for the Superintendent to issue a purchase order to PCS in the amount of \$225,276.00. Currently, all fiber optic network cabling to each District owned facility was terminated at the current J. A. Thompson Administrative Center in a "Star" network configuration. This purchase would allow PCS to reconfigure all fiber optic network cabling and connections into a "Ring" network configuration, routing all fiber optic cabling through the new J. A. Thompson Administrative Center at 6400 57th St., as well as Vero Beach Elementary. This reconfiguration was necessary in order to provide network connectivity to all facilities from the new District Office location. The new configuration would also provide the district with several other long term benefits. By providing alternate network paths, the "Ring" network configuration would provide redundancy to our sites that would help prevent outages from damage to fiber optic cabling. This new configuration would also provide the District with the technology infrastructure necessary to increase internal bandwidth as needed. This order was as per the specifications, terms, and conditions of Indian River County Bid #2012017 that had a contract term of January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015. Superintendent recommended approval.

Chairman McCain called for a motion. Ms. Jiménez moved approval to piggyback Indian River County Bid #2012017 and to issue a purchase order to Precision Contracting Services (PCS) for reconfiguration of fiber optic network connections at all District owned facilities. Mrs. Simchick seconded the motion. Mr. Green spoke to the issue of other costs associated with this project that were not included in this request. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion, with a 5-0 vote.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Rendell recognized Kevin Van Brimmer as the new Assistant Principal at Storm Grove Middle School. He also recognized Megan Kendrick as the Coordinator of Professional Development.

IX. DISCUSSION

No discussion items

X. SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER MATTERS

Mr. Frost recognized former Sebastian River High School graduate, Jen Welter, as the first female NFL Linebacker Football Assist Coach for the Arizona Cardinals.

XI. INFORMATION AGENDA

A. Financial Report for Month ending May 2015 -- Mr. Morrison

Attached were Financial Reports for the month ending May 31, 2015.

B. Facilities Update – Mr. Morrison

Attached was the Facilities Update.

XII. SUPERINTENDENT'S CLOSING

Dr. Rendell presented a video on summer programs.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT – Chairman McCain

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:41 p.m.