

The Indian River County District School Board met on Tuesday, October 11, 2011, at 1:00 p.m. The discussion was held in the Teacher Education Center located at the Central Administrative Offices, 1990 25th Street, Vero Beach, Florida. School Board Members attending were: Vice Chairman Carol Johnson and Board Members: Karen Disney-Brombach, Claudia Jiménez, and Jeffrey Pegler. Dr. Frances J. Adams, Superintendent of Schools, and School Board Attorney Suzanne D'Agresta were also present. Chairman Matthew McCain was not present.

Round Table Discussion

- I. The discussion was called to order by Vice Chairman Johnson. Vice Chairman Johnson announced that Chairman McCain was unable to attend. She stated that the first order of business would be to continue the morning workshop presentation on gangs.

Gang Update:

The first discussion was a continuation from the morning workshop. Sergeant Young gave an update on the gang activity in Indian River County. He stated that in comparison with large counties, the activity was insignificant but needed to be addressed. Sergeant Young said that many of the burglaries in south and north Indian River County were carried out by gangs. They discussed how large group disturbances were handled at schools, identifying gang members, cyber communication, training for teachers, and reporting of information.

- II. Items Placed on Agenda by Board Members – Vice Chairman Johnson

A. Chairman McCain – not present

B. Mrs. Johnson

Vice Chairman Johnson requested to move the February 7, 2012, session with Gerri McPherson to February 9, 2012, in the morning, in the Superintendent's Conference Room. Note: This was in regard to a session with the Board on the Superintendent's evaluation.

C. Mrs. Disney-Brombach

Mrs. Disney-Brombach suggested that the Board consider utilizing funds received from the Health Plan for a Health and Wellness Coordinator with a PE Teacher background. Money spent on wellness would pay for itself with healthier employees and students.

Mrs. Disney-Brombach asked Mrs. D'Agresta to place time on her calendar to prepare the required policy changes for the most recent Legislative changes. They discussed the cost as it would fall outside of the Board Attorney's regular retainer. Vice Chairman Johnson asked Mrs. D'Agresta to draw up the wording according to law. (Discussion moved to Dr. Adam's item on Policy Management.)

D. Ms. Jiménez

Ms. Jiménez requested a follow up with the Board on Charter School Audits. Board Members requested that RSM McGladrey, Inc., be paid from the Audit Committee budget to do a follow up audit. The follow up audit was to be submitted directly to the Board and the Board would address the findings.

E. Mr. Pegler

Mr. Pegler reported on the success of the Teacher Training Extravaganza.

III. Items Placed on Agenda by Superintendent – Dr. Adams

A. Board Policy 2.29 Pediculosis (head lice)

Cecelia Meeks, Health Nurse Coordinator for the School District, explained that schools have not given out medication for head lice for quite some time. The policy was updated to reflect current procedures. Dr. Adams stated that the policy would be placed on the next Board Agenda to set the Public Hearing date for adoption.

B. Redistricting Board Member Districts

Mrs. D'Agresta was directed to move forward with a Resolution to adopt the County's Redistricting Proposal #1 to include new District numbers. Mrs. D'Agresta explained the procedure.

C. Policy Management

NEOLA, Tools for Schools

Mrs. Lannon and Dr. Adams encouraged the Board to consider hiring NEOLA for all Board Policies, District Policies, and forms control. Mrs. D'Agresta agreed that it would cost less than her services. Dr. Adams said that she would find a date for a workshop session with NEOLA and the Board.

D. Administrative Building Lease

Mrs. D'Agresta prepared and presented a "draft" lease for the Board to consider.

IV. Board Committee Reports – Chairman McCain

No Board reports.

Dr. Adams asked the Board to change the morning workshop to the afternoon and hold the Round Table in the morning on November 8, 2011. Vice Chairman Johnson said to check with the Chairman.

Mrs. Disney-Brombach asked Dr. Adams to schedule presentations as separate dates in order to keep Round Table Discussions for Board and Superintendent Matters.

V. ADJOURNMENT – Vice Chairman Johnson

With no further discussion, the session adjourned at approximately 2:48 p.m.