

The Indian River County District School Board met on Tuesday, May 22, 2012, at 1:00 p.m. The discussion was held in the Teacher Education Center located at the J.A. Thompson Administrative Center, 1990 25th Street, Vero Beach, Florida. School Board Members attending were: Chairman Jeff Pegler, Vice Chairman Carol Johnson, and Board Members: Matthew McCain, Karen Disney-Brombach, and Claudia Jiménez. Dr. Frances J. Adams, Superintendent of Schools, and School Board Attorney Suzanne D'Agresta were also present.

Note: Mrs. Disney-Brombach and Ms. Jiménez were not present.

Millage Referendum Discussion And Other Updates

- I. Discussion was called to order by Chairman Pegler.
- II Purpose of the Discussion – Dr. Adams
Dr. Adams said that they had a couple of items to share regarding the referendum. They would begin with the timeline. Dr. Adams said that at the end she would like to present a couple of updates to the Board on other matters.
- III. Presentation on Millage Referendum – Dr. Adams
Dr. Adams turned the presentation over to Mr. Morrison. Mr. Morrison handed out the timeline. He also gave them a hard copy of the PowerPoint and approved Resolution from the County Commission. Mr. Morrison reviewed the steps taken to date and the “draft” timeline for the referendum to be placed on the ballot. The quote from the Press Journal regarding the advertisements (July 10 and July 24) was approximately \$2,100.00. Early voting would start on August 4, 2012, with the Primary Election Day on August 14, 2012. Mr. Morrison said that they needed to establish a date for a Town Hall Meeting prior to early voting on August 4, 2012. They would also set a date to do a presentation meet/review/discussion session with both unions. He said that they would establish internal meetings to establish a final presentation for the Town Hall Meetings.

Dr. Adams said that she set a date for staff to meet with the Editorial Board of the *Vero Beach Press Journal* on June 6 at 1 p.m. in St. Lucie County. Mr. Morrison reviewed his conversations and next steps in regard to the Supervisor of Elections of Indian River County. He also talked about the distribution of the PowerPoint information to such sources as the District web site and Education Channel.

Note: Mrs. Disney-Brombach and Ms. Jiménez were present.

Mr. Morrison recapped the information presented prior to the arrival of Mrs. Disney-Brombach and Ms. Jiménez.

Mrs. Johnson said that she had a meeting scheduled with the Chamber of Commerce on Friday, at which time she would ask for a time to present the information to their Chamber Board Members. Mr. Morrison said that they were going to ask Principals to present the PowerPoint to their staff before the end of the school year. He reminded the Board that there was seven weeks before early voting. Mrs. Johnson suggested that Mr. Morrison and Dr. Adams present the PowerPoint information to the Chamber Board. Mrs. Johnson also noted that the one Commissioner that voted no for the Resolution was concerned with having this placed on the August ballot, rather than the November election.

PowerPoint Presentation

Board Members were given an opportunity to make suggestions and ask questions. Dr. Adams said that the Board would be provided with a thumb drive and hard copies to take with them to their various meetings.

IV. UPDATES – Dr. Adams

A. Beachland Student Pickup and Bus Loop

Dr. Adams stated that the May 29 the Special Meeting to ratify the CWA vote, if needed, should be a short meeting. She requested to schedule right after, or in place of, a workshop on all possible options regarding the student pickup and bus loop at Beachland Elementary School. Dr. Adams said that the loop would be sufficient to accommodate the number of students the school has now and would take care of any additional size of the school that the Board would be discussing later on.

B. Workshop on Student Accident Insurance

Dr. Adams said that the Administrative Hearing would not be needed on June 12. She requested that in place of that meeting, the Board hold a workshop on Student Accident Insurance.

C. Update on Beachland Hammock

Dr. Adams said that she wanted to go through the Student Pickup and Bus Loop before having the conversation regarding a conservation easement.

D. Sick and Vacation Leave

Mr. Morrison stated that Florida Legislation would probably pursue the issue during the upcoming legislative session. He wanted to know if the Board wanted to move forward now or wait to see what the State may change before making any changes to current Board policy. After discussing the issue, the Board was in favor of moving forward with a sick time buy back option. All other decisions would be held until the legislation session ended next spring. It was noted that the sick time buy back option would first have to be negotiated with both unions.

E. Osceola Parking and Move to New Site

Dr. Adams said that they were able to obtain three additional parking spots. She said that they were continuing to work on the parking issue. Dr. Adams explained how the school was preparing for the actual move. She also noted that at this time there have been no conversations regarding the future of the Osceola site on 6th Avenue.

IV. ADJOURNMENT – Chairman Pegler

With no further issues, the discussion session adjourned at approximately 2:01 p.m.