

The Indian River County District School Board met on Tuesday, June 12, 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.

### **Round Table Discussion**

I. Discussion Session was opened by Chairman Pegler.

II. Items Placed on Agenda by Board Members – Chairman Pegler

**A. Mrs. Johnson**

1. Mrs. Johnson requested that the Board be informed as to who sits on District Committees regarding bids and requests for proposals to be informed as to their credentials. Chairman Pegler suggested using a cover page for all RFPs and RFQs, with the names of the committee members.
2. Mrs. Johnson said that she would like to schedule a walk through at the new Osceola Magnet School site, prior to the teachers' starting date, on a regular scheduled Tuesday. Dr. Adams gave an update on the work being done at Osceola.

**B. Mrs. Disney-Brombach**

1. Mrs. Disney-Brombach reminded Board Members to send their legislative priorities, with narratives, to her attention in order to prepare a list of legislative priorities for 2013.
2. Board Members discussed the policy regarding the Superintendent's Evaluation and the Organization Chart. It was decided to bring it up at the next policy discussion session.

**C. Ms. Jiménez**

1. Ms. Jiménez requested an update on the clinic. Dr. Adams reported that they were working on a list of questions with Brown and Brown to prepare for the interviews. She said that they did have a physician on the committee. Dr. Adams said that the building that was used for agriculture at the Transportation Complex was being considered as a central location for the clinic. She also noted that a consultant was not hired to assist with the selection process.
2. Ms. Jiménez requested that the Board receive information that would be presented at the Beachland Student Pickup and Bus Loop prior to the meeting in July. Dr. Adams reported on her meeting with staff from City of Vero Beach, at which time they all agreed that the third option was the best. She stated that miscommunication was related to the fact that Vero Beach staff would have to place the issue of stacking cars under the

bridge on the City Council's agenda before knowing whether or not the City Council would approve or disapprove it.

**D. Mr. McCain**

No items.

**E. Chairman Pegler**

1. Resolution regarding high-stakes testing.  
Dr. Adams prepared a "draft" Resolution as a first blush. She said that she would place it on the June 26 business meeting for adoption.
2. Board agreed to start the Comprehensive Study for Elementary Schools immediately following the NEOLA Board Policies Discussion, with a working lunch.
3. Board agreed to keep the Millage/Budget Workshop separate from the Five-year Capital Outlay Plan Workshop.
4. Chairman Pegler talked about recycling computers.
5. Chairman Pegler asked about scheduling an Arrest Report Workshop. Dr. Adams said that she would place it on the calendar for the summer.

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

**A. School Board Policy 3.40 Personnel Evaluation**

Note: This policy was Tabled to a date certain, July 24, business meeting. The concern was that those who left employment prior to the end of the school year would not have an evaluation. Dr. Adams stated that she was recommending approval of the policy as presented at the May 22 business meeting. After discussing the issue at length, Dr. Adams said that she would address this issue during negotiations and would ensure that the result was not punitive. Mrs. D'Agresta recommended that the Board remove the policy.

**B. Referendum Update**

Dr. Adams reported on her meeting with the Scripps Editorial Board regarding the .60 Millage Referendum. She said that they appreciated that the District was being proactive and transparent. Mr. Morrison reported that the Town Meeting was scheduled for Thursday, June 28, at 7 p.m., at Dodgertown Elementary School Cafeteria. Mrs. Johnson mentioned a 15-minute television segment.

**C. Osceola and Pleasant Ridge Property**

Mr. Morrison distributed, via email, a copy of the minutes from the last Land Use and Acquisition Committee meeting. Committee Members suggested selling or trading property with the County. Board Members discussed options. Mr. Morrison reported that Mr. Chisholm requested to make a presentation directly to the Board regarding the Committee's position. Chairman Pegler asked about the Committee's recommendation regarding the Pleasant Ridge property. Mr. Morrison said that they recommended that it be sold.

**D. 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue Easement**

Mr. Morrison reported that the County requested an easement to acquire one acre of property from the 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue site to build a Water Treatment Facility for area residents. He explained the request and the District's alternate recommendation that was turned down due to additional costs. Mrs. D'Agresta explained the liability issue and the costs associated with a sale that involved COPS (Certificate of Participation) financing. Board Members suggested the ball field as an alternate location. They were concerned about the two-lane corner, construction during the school year, landscaping plan, compensation for the property, cost to the District, and liability issue. Dr. Adams said that the purpose of the easement was to provide water for the neighborhood. Chairman Pegler asked Mrs. D'Agresta to write the pros and cons for the options.

**E. Auditor Generals Entrance Interview**

Dr. Adams reported that the Auditor General's Entrance Interview would be held next week with Chairman Pegler.

IV. Board Committee Reports – Chairman Pegler

Mrs. Disney-Brombach reported on the Economic Development Committee Meeting, Fellsmere P&Z Meeting, and the Elected Officials Oversight Committee (EOOC) Yearly Meeting.

Ms. Jiménez reported on Indian River County's Obesity and Diabetes Taskforce Committee Meeting and the Connected4Kids Meeting.

Mrs. Johnson reported on the County School Planning Technical Advisory Committee Meeting.

V. ADJOURNMENT – Chairman Pegler

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 2:59 p.m.