

The Indian River County District School Board met on Tuesday, August 21, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. The discussion session 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, and Claudia Jiménez. Dr. Frances J. Adams, Superintendent of Schools, and School Board Attorney Suzanne D'Agresta were also present. Board Member, Karen Disney-Brombach, was not present.

Review of Board Policies Discussion Session

Attended by:

Tom Young, NEOLA
Pat Corbett, NEOLA
Frankie St. James, NEOLA

- I. Called Discussion Session to Order – Chairman Pegler
- II. Purpose of the Discussion – Dr. Adams
Dr. Adams said that the purpose was to review the work done by Curriculum and Instruction. She turned the session over to Mrs. D'Albora.
- III. Presentation – Mrs. D'Albora
Note: A hard copy of the current policies and a list of policies to be discussed were distributed to the Board prior to the session. Mrs. D'Albora thanked NEOLA and members of the Curriculum and Instruction Staff for the enormous amount of time that they spent reviewing the policies. Mr. Young said that they started with the NEOLA templates, ensuring that the policies were specific to Indian River County School District. He said that today's review would be on policies that contained revisions. The final adoption would not be until all Board policies were reviewed. Mr. Corbett said that the copies provided were the first draft of policies under Curriculum and Instruction. He stated that there were four policies that they were not ready to bring forward for discussion. Those would be brought back to the Board at another date. Mr. Corbett stated that language from the Student Progression Plan was reviewed to ensure that both were in agreement.

Mrs. D'Albora stated that they tried not to change any of the intent of the policies. She said that when the NEOLA template was the same, they agreed to NEOLA's template. Mrs. D'Albora said that changes were made to be more efficient and/or to align policy with statute.

Board Members considered recommendations from Mrs. D'Agresta, with input from staff and NEOLA.

Note: The Board was also presented last week with a bound copy of the first draft titled, "Section 2000, First Draft". The statement at the bottom of page 2 of 2 was: Underlined policy numbers indicate policies which need to be completed. Underlined and italicized policy numbers indicate policies which have not been drafted. Bold and underline policy numbers indicate policies which have recently been updated and need to be reviewed and/or completed.

IV. Questions – Chairman Pegler

Questions and concerns from the Board were discussed regarding the policies presented for discussion using the overhead presentation from NEOLA. Note: No hard copies were distributed of the proposed policy changes.

V. ADJOURNMENT – Chairman Pegler

With no further discussion, the session adjourned at approximately 10:29 a.m.