

The Indian River County District School Board met on Tuesday, January 22, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. The business meeting 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 Carol Johnson, Vice Chairman Claudia Jiménez, and Board Members: Jeff Pegler, Matthew McCain, and Karen Disney-Brombach. Dr. Frances J. Adams, Superintendent of Schools, and School Board Attorney Suzanne D'Agresta were also present.

### **Business Meeting**

- I. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Johnson.
- ii. Invocation was given by Pastor Denny Hart, Assistant Principal at Storm Grove and Pastor at Saint Matthews Baptist Missionary Church.
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND PRESENTATION OF COLORS  
BY: Sebastian River High School Naval Junior ROTC under the Direction of MGySgt. James R. O'Neal USMC (Ret)
- IV. ADOPTION OF AGENDA  
Chairman Johnson called for a motion. Ms. Jiménez moved approval to adopt the Orders of the Day, with the deletion of Action B. Approval to Participate in Florida School Boards Association's Master Board of Distinction Leadership Team Training. Mrs. Disney-Brombach seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.
- V. PRESENTATIONS
  - A. **2013 School-Related Employee of the Year Finalists and Announcement of the Indian River County School District Winner – Ms. Roberts**  
The following finalists were recognized by the District School Board:  
**Holly Emard**, Bookkeeper, Storm Grove Middle School  
**Ana Renuart**, ESOL Teacher Assistant, Citrus Elementary School  
**Sherry Johnson**, ESE Teacher Assistant, Glendale Elementary School

Ms. Roberts announced the 2013 School-Related Employee of the Year for Indian River County School District – **Ana Renuart**. Mrs. Renuart was recognized by the District School Board for her contributions to the students of Indian River County, Florida. Ms. Roberts announced that The Community Credit Union sponsored \$400 towards the luncheon and contributed \$100 VISA gift certificate to Mrs. Renuart.

**B. Recognition of Rosemarie Spytek for Volunteer Service to the District School Board of Indian River County as a Citizen Member on the County Commission's Value Adjustment Board – Chairman Johnson**

The District School Board presented Mrs. Spytek with a plaque in recognition of her volunteer service to the School District, since the inception of the citizen member position on the Indian River County Commission's Value Adjustment Board.

VI. CITIZEN INPUT

Anthony Brown, President of Indian River County NAACP, requested to speak.  
Benny Rhyant requested to speak.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Pegler moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Mr. McCain seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

**A. Approval of Hearing Officer's Recommendation – Dr. Adams**

It was recommended that the District School Board accept the Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and recommendations in regard to Hearing #12-131. Superintendent recommended approval.

**B. Approval of Minutes – Dr. Adams**

1. Board Policies Discussion held 1/8/2013
2. Round Table Discussion held 1/8/2013
3. Expulsion Hearing Appeal held 1/8/2013
4. Regular Business Meeting held 1/8/2013

Superintendent recommended approval.

**C. Approval of Personnel Recommendations – Ms. Roberts**

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

**D. Donations – Mr. Morrison**

Osceola Magnet School received a donation in the amount of \$3,200 from the Osceola Magnet School PTA. The funds would be used to purchase classroom/school supplies. Superintendent recommended approval.

**E. Approval of Agreement Renewal with Act Retirement-Life Communities, Inc., dba Indian River Estates - Mrs. D'Albora**

This agreement renewal reflected a continuation of the cooperative spirit between this health institution and the District School Board in delivering clinical experiences to District students enrolled in Adult and Community Education Nursing Programs. There was no cost to the District. Superintendent recommended approval.

**F. Approval of Students Residing Out-of-County – Mrs. D’Albora**

Parents requested that their children remain in Indian River County Schools for the 2012-2013 school year. The parents received letters from Brevard County granting permission for the students to leave their county and have an out-of-county transfer request form signed by the Principal of the requested school. Superintendent recommended approval.

**G. Approval of Out-of-Field Teachers Report – Ms. Roberts**

Approval was recommended for the Out-of-Field Teachers Report for the second semester. The Report included teachers who were out-of-field for course work, not Highly Qualified, as well as teachers who were out-of-field or out-of-compliance for ESOL. It was required that the Report be approved by the District School Board prior to the FTE Survey period in February. A copy of the Report was available prior to the meeting. Superintendent recommended approval.

**H. Approval of Contract Extension with Senior Resources, Inc., for Meals on Wheels Program – Mrs. D’Albora**

This addendum was an extension of the contract with the Senior Resource Association and reflected the per meal price increase approved on December 11, 2012. The Food Service Department had been providing meals to the Senior Resource Association (Meals on Wheels) since 1997. Contract extension was available prior to the meeting. Superintendent recommended approval.

VIII. ACTION AGENDA

**A. Approval of Citizen to Value Adjustment Board Committee – Chairman Johnson**

The Value Adjustment Board considers and renders decisions on appeal petitions relating to property value assessments, classifications, and exemptions. The Committee consisted of one citizen member that was appointed by the Board of County Commissioners and one that was appointed by the District School Board. The term shall be for each tax year cycle and was voted upon by the District School Board annually at its Organization Meeting in November. Due to a vacancy on the Committee, Chairman Johnson recommended Todd Heckman, effective February 1, 2013, as the District School Board’s Citizen Member to the Value Adjustment Board Committee. Eligibility was set forth in Florida State Statute 194.015. Superintendent recommended approval.

Mr. McCain moved approval of Todd Heckman, effective February 1, 2013, as the District School Board’s Citizen Member to serve on the Indian River County, Board of County Commissioners’ Value Adjustment Board. Mr. Pegler seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

**B. Approval to Participate in Florida School Board Association's Master Board of Distinction Leadership Team Training – Chairman Johnson**

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**C. Approval of Release of Final Retainage Payment to Proctor Construction Company for the Sebastian River High School Part II Freshman Learning Center Addition, RFQ #2010-12 – Mr. Morrison**

Approval was recommended for the release of Retainage in the amount of \$169,385.02 to Proctor Construction Company for the Sebastian River High School Part II Freshman Learning Center Addition, RFQ #2010-12. On May 10, 2011, the Board approved the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for this project in the amount of \$6,875,052.98; with the final construction cost for this project totaling \$6,500,985.98. The unused portion of the GMP, in the amount of \$374,067.00, was a savings to the District. Final payment for this project was brought to the Board for approval in accordance with Florida Statute 1013.50. The final payment to the contractor consisted of the project retainage that was held until project completion. Superintendent recommended approval.

Mrs. Disney-Brombach moved approval of the release of final retainage payment to Proctor Construction Company for the Sebastian River High School Part II Freshman Learning Center Addition, RFQ #2010-12. Ms. Jiménez seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

**D. Approval of Owner/Contractor Construction Agreement for Metal Building System for Playground at Osceola Magnet Project, RFP #2013-06 – Mr. Morrison**

Approval was recommended for the Owner/Contractor Construction Agreement between the School District of Indian River County and Pinnacle Construction of the Treasure Coast LLC for a Metal Building System at Osceola Magnet School, RFP #2013-06 in the amount of \$84,678.00. The project included the fabrication and installation of a metal building system to cover the south portion of the existing hard court located at Osceola Magnet School. This contract amount consisted of the Contractor's bid price of \$76,980.00 and an owner added contingency amount of \$7,698.00 that was 10% of the contractor's bid price. The contract amount included all construction and engineering costs. Superintendent recommended approval.

Mr. McCain moved approval of the Owner/Contractor Construction Agreement for Metal Building System for Playground at Osceola Magnet Project, RFP #2013-06. Ms. Jiménez seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

**E. Approval to Amend the Fellsmere Elementary Expansion Project Budget – Mr. Morrison**

Approval was recommended to amend the budget for the Fellsmere Elementary Expansion Project, increasing the budget by \$800,000. The budget amendment request was due to additional scope items resulting from program revisions that were as follows:

- HVAC Thermal Ice Storage Tanks & Glycol \$108,000
- Change out DX System Media Center/Building 700 \$114,400
- Add 2 Classrooms/1 Skills Lab \$623,982
- Offsite Drainage \$ 60,000
- FF&E Increase (due to #3) \$ 70,000
- Lift Station convert to City of Fellsmere ownership specs \$ 50,000
- Temporary Kitchen \$150,618
- Add fire sprinkler system Building 300/400/500 \$ 38,000

With the addition of the items listed above, the project would have a budget shortfall of \$800,000. Upon Board approval, the budget for the Fellsmere Elementary Expansion Project would be amended from the original budget amount of \$8,900,000 to \$9,700,000. Superintendent recommended approval.

Mr. Morrison was asked to speak to the item. Mr. Pegler moved approval to amend the Fellsmere Elementary Expansion Project Budget as presented, with the new budget amount of \$9,700,000. Mr. McCain seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

**F. Approval to Enter into Negotiations with C. M. Crawford for Architectural Services for Citrus Elementary, RFQ #2013-09 - Mr. Morrison**

The Facilities Department requested that an RFQ be promulgated for architectural services for a cafeteria expansion and a classroom addition at Citrus Elementary. The classroom addition would provide additional space and would increase the school's permanent capacity to 750 student stations. The cafeteria expansion allowed for a kitchen redesign and an increase in cafeteria seating. As per our 5 Year Capital Outlay Budget, \$3,000,000 had been budgeted for this project. This amount included all fees including construction, architectural, engineering, furniture, fixtures, and equipment (FF&E). It was recommended that negotiations proceed per Chapter 287.055 F.S. to obtain a contract with C. M. Crawford for architectural services. Superintendent recommended approval.

Mr. Morrison was asked to speak to the item. Mr. Morrison stated for the public that the \$3 million budgeted for this project would not be sufficient to pay for the entire project. Mr. Morrison said that additional funding sources would be considered. Construction was anticipated to begin in about 1½ years. The purpose of this item was to begin negotiations for the design phase.

Ms. Jiménez moved approval to enter into negotiations with C. M. Crawford for Architectural Services for Citrus Elementary, RFQ #2013-09. Mr. McCain seconded the motion. It was noted that the project may have to be done in phases in order to do the project without borrowing money. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion with a 5-0 vote.

**G. Approval of Temporary Construction Easement to the City of Vero Beach for Rosewood Magnet School – Mr. Morrison**

Approval was recommended for a Temporary Construction Easement to be granted to the City of Vero Beach on the Rosewood Magnet School Property as described in Exhibit “A” for construction associated with the City’s 18<sup>th</sup> Street Sidewalk Project. A portion of the sidewalk would be constructed on the Rosewood Magnet School site in a previously agreed upon location. This Temporary Construction Easement shall be in effect for a period of thirty (30) days from the commencement of construction on the sidewalk project. Superintendent recommended approval.

Mr. Pegler moved approval of a 30-day, temporary construction easement to the City of Vero Beach for the Rosewood Magnet School sidewalk project. Mr. McCain seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

**H. Approval to Schedule a Public Hearing for Revisions to Board Policy 6.141 Eligibility for Participation in Interscholastic Extracurricular Student Activities Sanctioned or Regulated by the Florida High School Athletic Association and to Repeal Board Policy 6.14 Student Participation in Interscholastic Extracurricular Student Activities\_– Dr. Adams**

On January 8, 2013, the District School Board discussed the revisions and the repeal; and requested to move forward with the adoption process. The purpose of the revisions and the repeal was to include all extracurricular activities and to provide flexibility to school administrators. The Public Hearing would be held during the regular Business meeting on February 26, 2013. Superintendent recommended approval.

Mr. Pegler moved approval to schedule the public hearing for revisions to Board Policy 6.141 and the repeal of 6.14. Mr. McCain seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

**I. Approval of Amendment to District Administrative Services Agreement with Florida Blue (Blue Cross Blue Shield) – Ms. Roberts**

The amendment to the Administrative Services Agreement contained language changes; such as, changing the name “Blue Cross Blue Shield” to the new trade name “Florida Blue”. Attached to the amendment was a summary of the changes. This Amendment had been cleared through School District’s Consultants, Brown and Brown. There was no cost to the District. Superintendent recommended approval.

Dr. Adams stated that there was no change to policy coverage for employees. Mr. McCain moved approval of the amendment to the District Administrative Services Agreement with Florida Blue (formerly known as Blue Cross Blue Shield). Ms. Jiménez seconded the motion and it carried with a 5-0 vote.

**IX. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Dr. Adams congratulated Terri Amy, Teacher at Sebastian River High School, for being nominated as the 2012 Coach of the Year for the State of Florida in Girls’ Basketball and the 2014 Teachers of the Year Finalists as follows:

Teacher	Assignment	School
Jody Houston	Speech & Language Pathologist	Fellsmere Elementary
Ashby Goldstein	6-8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Band	Gifford Middle School
Sara Murto	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Single Gender Boys	Sebastian Elementary
Karah Widick	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math	Sebastian River Middle School
Kerri Wall	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts	Sebastian River High School

**X. DISCUSSION**

Ms. Jiménez stated that it would be appropriate to have staff speak to the City of Vero Beach’s Planning and Zoning Committee Meeting that rejected the District School Board’s traffic plan for Beachland Elementary School. Mr. Sanders reviewed the plan adopted by the Board that would remove the stacking of cars for pickup off of the streets and onto school property. Dr. Adams stated that the purpose of the plan was to improve the traffic flow for safety purposes. She noted for the record that the plan kept the student population at 650 students and less than 20 students were attending out of zone, most of which were employees’ children.

**XI. SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER MATTERS – Chairman Johnson**

Mrs. Disney-Brombach gave a report on a number of Bills that would go before Legislature this year.

Ms. Jiménez spoke of the upcoming Federal Relations Network (FRN) Conference in Washington, D.C. to advocate for education. She mentioned the talk of privatization of public schools, Mackay Scholarship dollars going to private institutions, process of being elected to School Board positions, and District support of diversity. Ms. Jiménez attended the FACES of “Moonshot Moment” Literacy Campaign events. She thanked Dr. Adams for bringing this campaign to Indian River County community.

Mr. Pegler also thanked Dr. Adams for the spearheading the Literacy “Community” Campaign. He also spoke in support of the Vero Special Arts (VSA) Drama Program that worked with students with disabilities. Mr. Pegler said that his wife was one of the teachers trained to work with the program.

Chairman Johnson added her thank you to Dr. Adams and noted the article in the Vero Beach Magazine and the cooperation of Scripps Howard and the community’s involvement.

XII. INFORMATION AGENDA

**A. Financial Report for Month ending November 30, 2012 – Mr. Morrison**

Attached was the Financial Report for the month ending November 30, 2012.

**B. Monthly Facilities Report – Mr. Morrison**

Attached was the Report

**C. Charter School Financials – Mr. Morrison**

Charter school financial statements were presented to the Board for information only. No approval of a charter school’s financial statements was required. This presentation of charter school financial statements was to demonstrate compliance with section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. Specifically, subsection (5) (b) required the District, as sponsor, to monitor the revenues and expenditures of the charter school and to perform the duties provided in s. 1002.345. High performing charter schools were only required to submit financials quarterly. Indian River Charter High School opted to submit their financials quarterly. The other two high performing charter schools, North County Charter School and Sebastian Charter Junior High, chose to submit their financials monthly.

XIII. SUPERINTENDENT’S CLOSING

Dr. Adams said that it was a “Moonshot Moment” and we had a long way to go to 2018. She said that the FACES campaign generated conversations with the community regarding the District Goal to have all third-grade students reading on grade level by 2018. The campaign encompassed ten locations, 240 photos, and 14 organizations.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT – Chairman Johnson

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:19 p.m.