

The Indian River County District School Board met on Tuesday, April 9, 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 Diehl, Our Savior Lutheran Church
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND PRESENTATION OF COLORS BY: Sebastian River High School Naval Junior ROTC under the direction of Master Gunnery Sergeant James R. O'Neal, United States Marine Corp (Ret)
- IV. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
Chairman Johnson called for a motion. Mr. Pegler moved approval of the Orders of the Day as presented. Mrs. Disney-Brombach seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.
- V. PRESENTATIONS
 - A. **Recognition of Student Participants in the 58th Annual State Science & Engineering Fair, March 26th – 28th in Lakeland, Florida – Mrs. Cynthia Falardeau, Executive Director of the Education Foundation**
Nineteen students, attending schools in Indian River County, were recognized for awards they received in the areas of botany, engineering, physics, chemistry, biology, microbiology, medicine and health, zoology, and environmental sciences. The following students were special award winners:
Seven Hall
Evan MacKay
Sana Shareef
Teresa Winchester
 - B. **2013 National Merit Scholarship Finalists – Dr. Adams**
The following students were recognized by the District School Board and Superintendent, Dr. Adams, for their academic achievements:
Caroline Colbert – Sebastian River High School
Meredith S. Baker - Vero Beach High School
Thomas L. Beasley – Vero Beach High School
Harshonnati Jain – Vero Beach High School
William T. O'Bryan – Vero Beach High School
Kimberly Zerega – Vero Beach High School

VI. CITIZEN INPUT

Stephanie Austin requested to speak on Common Core Standards and Data Tracking.

Janet Campbell requested to speak on Common Core.

Phyllis Frey requested to speak on Common Core.

Rosemarie B. Wilson requested to speak on Common Core and Seven/50.

Chairman Johnson stated for the record that the District School Board did not take a position on Seven/50.

Dr. Adams stated for the record that Common Core began in 2010 with the Race to the Top Federal funding initiative. Eligibility for the funds required that the State of Florida participate in the Common Core. Dr. Adams stated that the District wanted the community to understand how Common Core would be implemented. She stated that they were working on a three-part, video series to be televised on the Education Channel and to be linked to our District website. Dr. Adams asked that if anyone had a question pertaining to Common Core to please contact Mrs. D'Albora, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction.

Susan Mehiel requested to speak on LIIS System and Date and Curriculum.

Elizabeth Cannon requested to speak on contract negotiations.

Joan DeMelio requested to speak on contract negotiations.

Veronica Richardson requested to speak on negotiations.

Chris Rogers requested to speak on topic number 4.

Jorge Lugo requested to speak on e-mail from Dr. Adams.

Diane Lott requested to speak on responding to proposal.

Luke A. Flynt requested to speak on VAM.

Chris Beals requested to speak on Arithmetic and Insurance Premiums.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Jiménez spoke to Consent K. Board Members voted unanimously in favor of the Consent Agenda, with a 5-0 vote.

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

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B. Approval of Minutes – Dr. Adams

1. 2014 Technology Plan Workshop held 3/12/2013

2. Regular Business Meeting held 3/12/2013

3. Special Meeting held 3/19/2013

4. District School Board Policies Discussion held 3/19/2013

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. Approval of Donations – Mr. Morrison

1. Osceola Magnet School received donations totaling the amount of \$2,100 from the Mardy Fish Foundation. The funds would be used for various afterschool activities at Osceola Magnet School.
2. Beachland Elementary School received a donation in the amount of \$1,600 from the Mardy Fish Foundation. The funds would be used to sponsor Mardy Fish Foundation Clubs at Beachland Elementary School.
3. Vero Beach High School received a donation in the amount of \$1,000 from the Richard R. Paultz Lifelong Learning Foundation. The funds would be used to benefit the Vero Beach High School orchestra program.
4. Liberty Magnet School received a donation in the amount of \$3,441.79 from the Liberty Magnet Elementary School PTA. The funds would be used for supplies for each grade level. A donation in the amount of \$1,000 was received from the Mardy Fish Foundation. The funds would be utilized for afterschool enrichment for Liberty Magnet School students.
5. Pelican Elementary School received a donation in the amount of \$1,080 from the Mardy Fish Foundation. The funds would be used for the afterschool programs at Pelican Island Elementary School.

Superintendent recommends approval.

E. Approval of Budget Amendments – Mr. Morrison

This request was for approval of the following budget amendments for fiscal year ending June 30, 2012:

Amendment # 1 – Special Revenue – Other

Amendment #1 – Capital Revenue

Superintendent recommended approval.

F. Approval of North County Charter School Renewal Application - Mrs. D'Albora

The Board of Directors of North County Charter submitted a renewal application request. North County Charter School was a High Performing school that would serve pre-kindergarten through fifth grade students. Their projected enrollment would be an increase of 122 students, from 232 to 354 and an additional 54 pre-kindergarten students totaling to 408 students. Once the renewal application request had been approved by the School Board, the next step would be for the North County Charter School to negotiate their 15-year (July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2028) renewal contract with the School District of Indian River County, utilizing the Department of Education Florida Model Contract format. Superintendent recommended approval.

G. Approval of Amendment to Charter School Contracts - Mrs. D'Albora

The Board of Directors of North County Charter, Sebastian Charter Junior High School, Imagine School, and Indian River Charter High School submitted requests for amendments to their contracts to change their Monthly Financial Statement submittal date. St. Peter's Preparatory Academy elected to opt out of changing their monthly, financial statement submittal date. The

- four schools requested that the sponsor receive the financial statements by the 30th of each month. Superintendent recommended approval.
- H. Approval of Services Agreement for Technology Consultant - Mrs. D'Albora**
Greg MacDonald, Technology Consultant, developed web applications, designs programs, and created computerized forms for Exceptional Education and Student Services; and provided training for staff. Estimated cost for the remainder of the school year was \$6,000. Superintendent recommended approval.
- I. Approval of Agreement for Act Retirement-Life Communities, Inc. dba Indian River Estates – Mrs. D'Albora**
This amended agreement stated two additional requirements that the students must successfully pass in order to perform clinicals at this facility. The original agreement was passed by the School Board on January 22, 2013, and was signed by ACTS Retirement-Life Communities on February 18, 2013. The cost would be paid by the students. There was no cost to the District. Superintendent recommended approval.
- J. Approval of the 2013-14 Adult and Community Education Calendar – Mrs. D'Albora**
In accordance with School Board Policy #6.17, the Administrator of Adult Education shall submit a school calendar for the Adult Education Program to the District School Board annually. No cost to the District. Superintendent recommended approval.
- K. Approval of Career Pathways, Articulation Agreements with Indian River State College – Mrs. D'Albora**
Two articulation agreements, Commercial Photography and Criminal Justice Operations, were developed between the School District and Indian River State College (IRSC) for all secondary career/technical programs taught in the high schools of Indian River County. High school graduates were awarded articulation credits upon initial registration at IRSC, based on demonstrated competencies subject to validation by the secondary institution. No cost to the District. Superintendent recommended approval.
- L. Approval of Universal Design for Learning through Technology for Students with Disabilities Grant - Mrs. D'Albora**
The School District of Indian River County was the recipient of a \$50,000 technology grant for the 2013-2014 school year. This award was funded by the Florida Developmental Disabilities Council. The funds would be used for engineering learning environments and incorporating principles of Universal Design for Learning (UDL). Our mission for the project was to include increasing numbers of elementary, middle, and high school students, with significant cognitive disabilities and/or physical disabilities to benefit from education in an inclusive setting, accessing common core standards/connectors with the utilization of Smart Board Technology. Superintendent recommended approval.

VIII. ACTION AGENDA

A. Approval of End-of-Course (EOC) Boot Camp to be added to the 2013 Summer School Schedule – Mrs. D’Albora

The 2013 Summer School Schedule was amended to add an additional program, an EOC Boot Camp, and was presented for Board approval. The attachments included information on the budget and curriculum to be used for the program, two separate pages; the Boot Camp was an optional opportunity for students to be remediated before the EOC retakes in August 2013. The camp would be funded with Secondary Remediation funds. The costs were estimated based on anticipated student participation. The Superintendent recommended approval.

Mrs. Disney-Brombach moved approval of the End-of-Course (EOC) Boot Camp to be added to the 2013 Summer School Schedule. Mr. Pegler seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, with a 5-0 vote.

IX. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Adams talked about the Red, White, and Blue Concert; the Vero Beach Elementary School Garden Celebration; the Education Foundation event, and the Fellsmere community who attended the Moonshot Moment reading, stretch goal event.

X. DISCUSSION

Ms. Jiménez spoke in reference to the discussion at the Round Table regarding School Board Policy 6.141. Dr. Adams said that she would prepare a “draft”.

Ms. Jiménez talked about following up on the disproportionate minority discipline and arrests report. After discussing the issue, the Board agreed that they would prioritize all Board issues.

Chairman Johnson spoke in reference to the Communication Workers of America’s health insurance premiums.

Mrs. Disney-Brombach talked about the District’s contract for liability insurance.

XI. SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER MATTERS – Chairman Johnson

Mrs. Disney-Brombach reported on legislative session and an upcoming meeting with the Commissioner in Tallahassee.

Mr. Pegler attended a Literacy event. He mentioned the fact that some parents were unable to assist their child with their reading homework. He congratulated Mrs. Disney-Brombach for being a nominee for the Florida School Boards Association’s President-Elect.

Ms. Jiménez attended the Vero Beach Elementary Garden event. She mentioned the Sebastian River High School art display, the next Parent Academy on April 23, and the Common Core facts.

XII. INFORMATION AGENDA

A. Financial Report for Month ending February 28, 2013 - Mr. Morrison

Attached was the Financial Report for the month ending February 28, 2013

XIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S CLOSING

Dr. Adams spoke of the Learning Alliance event and the generosity of the community. She said that the District was waiting for the final word on this year's Legislative Session and how their action would affect School Districts.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT – Chairman Johnson

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:49 p.m.