

MINUTES
Special School Board Meeting
April 10, 2013

This meeting, held at the St. Johns County School Board Administrative Center, 40 Orange Street, St. Augustine, Florida, was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Tommy Allen. Dr. Joseph Joyner called roll; school board members Mr. Tommy Allen, Mr. Bill Mignon, Mr. Bill Fehling, Mrs. Beverly Slough and Mr. Patrick Canan were present. Also in attendance were School Board Attorney Frank D. Upchurch, III, district staff, and media representatives, as well as members of the AdvancED review team.

Opening Comments

Dr. Joyner stated that accreditation is important for all and an opportunity for us to get better. Dr. Joyner also thanked the district office and school-based staff for all of their hard work during the accreditation process.

AdvancED Accreditation Report

Dr. George Griffin and the External Review Team presented an overview of the accreditation report which included the district's strengths and areas of improvement. The External Review Team commended the district for its focus on the Strategic Plan, effective leadership, being committed to the culture of the community, highly effective instructional and support staff, and continuously analyzing data. A written report will be sent the Superintendent within 30 days. The St. Johns County School District received a recommendation to be awarded district accreditation as a quality school system by the AdvancED External Review Team. The district earned 10 Powerful Practices, which Dr. Griffin stated was more than he had seen awarded before with the new process.

Public Comments-None

Closing Comments

Mrs. Slough, Mr. Fehling and Mr. Mignon thanked all the district and school-based staff for their time and diligence during accreditation. Mr. Allen thanked the External Review Team for being there, and quoted "it's like baseball, you can't improve by studying yourself, you need another set of eyes to show you how to improve."

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Superintendent

Chairman

Date Approved