

**SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP (Tuesday, August 23, 2016)**

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**Members present**

Patrick Canan, Tommy Allen, Bill Mignon, Kelly Barrera and Bev Slough.

8:33 AM

1. CALL TO ORDER BY BOARD CHAIR

2. ROLL CALL BY ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

3. OPENING COMMENTS BY SCHOOL BOARD AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Canan stated that conversation has begun about a possible arena for St. Johns County. Mrs. Mickler stated that the St. Johns County School District now has over 37,000 students, and we are still growing. The Learning Legacy recipients for 2016 were announced. Anthony Coleman and Dr. Leonard Pellicier will be honored on September 2 prior to the PMHS/SAHS game.

4. WORKSHOP TOPICS:

4.01 Student Support Services Department Update

Mr. Brennan Asplen and Ms. Cathy Mittelstadt introduced staff from the Student Support Services Department who presented updates on the ASSIST Program, mental health services, health services, attendance, residency, prevention, and guidance.

4.02 FCTC Update

Ms. Cathy Mittelstadt presented an update on FCTC, and stated that there will be an FCTC Showcase on November 17, 2016.

4.03 Superintendent Search Update

Mrs. Mickler introduced Ms. Andrea Messina, Executive Director for the Florida School Boards Association (FSBA), Dr. Bill Vogel and Mr. John Reichert, FSBA consultants. Ms. Messina stated that background checks had been completed on the Superintendent applicants, and there was nothing found that needed to be reported. The board narrowed down the candidate list from nine to seven applicants moving forward into the semifinalist stage.

FSBA gave their recommendations:

Dr. Phyllis Edwards, Mark Porter, Tim Forson, Elizabeth Alves and Brennan Asplen

The board selected the following candidates:

Patrick Canan selected Tim Forson, Mark Porter and Elizabeth Alves

Tommy Allen selected Tim Forson, Brennan Asplen, Dr. Phyllis Edwards, Teresa Brown and Elizabeth Alves

Bill Mignon selected Tim Forson, Brennan Asplen and Elizabeth Alves

Kelly Barrera selected Tim Forson, Brennan Asplen, Elizabeth Alves, Mark Porter and Vicki Cartwright

Bev Slough selected Tim Forson, Brennan Asplen and Elizabeth Alves

After much discussion, the board agreed to send all seven candidates, the semifinalist a set of questions which is due Sept. 2. at 5PM. The board will review the written responses. The board will choose finalists for the interview phase at the Sept. 6 board workshop and will vote on the finalists at the September 13 board meeting. The consultant asked the board members to review and be prepared to select questions for the finalists interviews.

#### 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Ms. Phyllis McGinnis, 129 Gardenia Avenue, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082  
Ms. McGinnis spoke about the selection of the next Superintendent.

Mrs. Mickler stated that there were a few calendar issues that need to be discussed; the following meeting dates and times were set:

October 4, 2016 at 8:30 AM - School Board Workshop

October 5-7, 2016 Time, TBA - Superintendent's Interviews

October 11, 2016 at 6:00 PM - School Board Meeting

November 1, 2016 at 8:30 AM - School Board Workshop

November 8, 2016 at 9:00 AM - School Board Meeting

November 22, 2016 at 9:00 AM - Reorganization Meeting

#### 6. CLOSING COMMENTS BY SCHOOL BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

Mrs. Slough stated that this was a very productive meeting, and that it was evident that a lot of work had been put into the Superintendent search by all. Mrs. Barrera stated that the board needs to approach their decision on the Superintendent selection with an open mind. Mr. Mignon stated that the work of the Citizens Advisory Committee was very valuable and he listened carefully to their input.

Mr. Allen thanked the Student Support Services Department for their presentation.

Mr. Canan expressed appreciation to the Student Services Department for their work with our students.

#### 7. ADJOURNMENT

11:17 AM