

MINUTES
School Board Workshop
April 26, 2011

This workshop, held at the St. Johns County Airport Conference Center, 4730 Casa Cola Way, St. Augustine, Florida, was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Bill Fehling. Dr. Joyner called roll; all board members were present. Also in attendance was School Board Attorney Frank D. Upchurch, district staff, community members and media representatives.

Opening Comments

Mrs. Slough requested consensus to name the Durbin Creek media center for the retiring principal as a surprise for her. A discussion on naming opportunities followed. Mr. Fehling remarked on last evening's STAR Banquet; Dr. Joyner asked that the June 7th workshop be cancelled or rescheduled for Monday, June 6th because it conflicts with the FSBA conference opening in Tampa. This was rescheduled for Monday, June 6th at 1:30 p.m. Dr. Joyner reminded all that an Executive Session will be held after the May 24th workshop. Dr. Joyner asked that the June 14th school board meeting be moved to 9:00 a.m., as well as the July 12th and August 9th meetings. Dr. Joyner asked Mr. Upchurch about the legality of a phone-in board meeting. Mr. Upchurch replied that if you have a physical quorum, an additional member may call in. He will research having the call-in member complete the quorum.

Proposed School Board Goals

Dr. Joyner presented the mission statement, core value and eight goals. The four strategies in the Strategic Plan were reviewed. A discussion on the induction of new principals followed. Board members suggested that new principals should receive SAC and Character Counts! training. The topic of a CARE (Citizens' Action Regarding Education) team to influence legislative decision-making followed.

Curriculum and Learning

Mrs. Stewart presented the Curriculum and Learning goals. A discussion on the new teacher evaluations followed.

Human Resources

Mr. Springfield presented information on Human Resources goals and the developing "induction program".

Operational Services

Mr. Forson discussed upcoming training for school operations staff, student services staff and coaches. The loss of capital dollars was discussed. Mr. Upchurch noted that there has been limited development, yet we continue to see enrollment growth.

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Business/Fiscal

Mr. Weiss presented information on food service, the FLDOE review scheduled for next year and financial planning.

Community Relations

Mrs. Davidson presented information on Community Relations, noting that they will host a 7th Media Day this year. She also discussed social networks as one-way communication.

Information Technology

Mr. Patrou presented the goals of his department, spoke about the third computer refresh plan, and discussed the Sungard implementation.

A delightful video on the work of school board members, produced at Osceola Elementary School with Mrs. McManus' 2nd grade class, was shown at this time.

Public Comments - None

Closing Comments

Mr. Mignon commented that last evening's STAR Banquet was a wonderful event. Mr. Allen stated that he enjoyed today's session. Mrs. Slough noted her appreciation for the brevity of today's meeting. She announced that the "Honor the Graduate" program will be held Monday evening, 7:00 p.m. at Switzerland Community Church, and noted that Mr. Asplen's daughter will be among the seniors there. Lunch was served; as there was no further business, the workshop was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Superintendent

Chairman

Date Approved