

**MINUTES**  
**School Board Workshop**  
**June 6, 2011**

This workshop, held at the St. Johns County School Board Administrative Center, 40 Orange Street, St. Augustine, Florida, was called to order at 1:32 p.m. by Chairman Bill Fehling. Dr. Joyner called roll; Mrs. Slough, Mr. Allen, Mr. Mignon, Mr. Fehling and Mrs. Wright were present. Also in attendance were School Board Attorney Frank D. Upchurch, III, district staff, and media representatives.

**Opening Comments**

Mr. Mignon and Mrs. Wright commented that graduation ceremonies went very well; Mr. Forson reported that after speaking with Liberty Pines principal Randy Kelley, it was decided to have Liberty Pines staff and students return to their school tomorrow after wildfire smoke forced them to move students to Creekside and Bartram Trail for the past two school days. Mrs. Slough extended her condolences to Mr. Allen on the passing of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Willie Lee Gauch. She thanked Mr. Scott Sherman for getting data to the board so quickly. Dr. Joyner asked Mr. Sherman to distribute the 2011 FCAT Sunshine State Standards. He detailed proficiency percentages and our state rankings. Dr. Joyner also announced that Mr. Mike Degutis accepted our position of Chief Financial Officer and will report to work on July 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Community Relations Update**

Mrs. Margie Davidson presented information on strategic planning, civility training, Media Day, social networking, community partnerships, and reception/switchboard/mailroom activities. Mrs. Cheryl Freeman spoke on volunteer services, the RSVP program and the recent volunteer reception. Mrs. Donna Lueders presented information on St. Johns County Education Foundation events such as Art Attack!, Tools for Schools, and Take Stock in Children. She spoke of developing a business plan, branding and a marketing initiative. Dr. Joyner noted that we have a very effective Community Relations department.

**Sungard Update**

Mr. Bruce Patrou updated all on the Sungard implementation, noting that “we go live” on July 5, 2011. Human Resources and payroll programs were discussed; questions by the board followed.

**Banking Services**

Mr. Weiss presented information on the banking services RFP. His recommendation is to remain with Bank of America.

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**Race to the Top-Teacher Evaluation**

Dr. Joyner reported on the teacher evaluation model. He announced that both he and Mr. Springfield will speak on a videocast for all teachers to see before the end of the school year. Mr. Springfield announced that our application was submitted on June 1, 2011. He reminded all that teacher evaluations will not impact salaries until 2014. Mr. Allen spoke of his approval of this evaluation model. Questions and comments regarding training followed.

**Public Comments** – None

**Closing Comments**

Mrs. Wright thanked SJEA President Debby Etheredge for her service. A school board workshop was scheduled for June 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss the year's accomplishments, individual appointments for the board members to review Dr. Joyner's evaluation with him were scheduled, and Mr. Upchurch agreed to present the compiled evaluation at the July 5<sup>th</sup> workshop with the contract to be on the July 12<sup>th</sup> school board meeting agenda.

There being no further business, the workshop was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

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Superintendent

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Chairman

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Date Approved