

**MINUTES**  
**School Board Workshop**  
**December 4, 2012**

This workshop, held at the St. Johns County School Board Administrative Center, 40 Orange Street, St. Augustine, Florida, was called to order at 8:30 a.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.

**Opening Comments**

Mr. Mignon and Mr. Fehling both stated they were proud to be representing St. Johns County at the Joint Florida School Boards/Florida Association of District School Superintendents (FSBA/FADSS) Conference last week. Mr. Canan stated that the conference was an eye opener for him and recognizes that he has a learning curve. Mr. Allen stated that attending the FSBA/FADSS Conference has inspired him to be more actively involved. Dr. Joyner stated that we will have a new Commissioner of Education soon. Dr. Joyner also stated that the Florida Department of Education released graduation and dropout rates yesterday. Dr. Joyner also stated that Florida's high school graduation rate increased almost four percentage points over last year, and has increased over the past ten years from 56.6 percent in 2002-2003 to 74.5 in 2011-2012. Dr. Joyner attributed a portion of the increase to our Academies and credit recovery program.

**C.O.P. Review**

Mr. Degutis introduced Mr. Jerry Ford, President of Ford and Associates, and Mr. John Stokes, Attorney with Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson, P.A. Mr. Ford and Mr. Stokes presented information pertaining to the issuance of certificates of participation necessary to fund two new schools, "HH" and "II". Mr. Ford also presented information regarding refinancing of the Series 2003 certificates, which will allow the District to lower its interest costs and capitalize on the net present value savings, while not extending the original final maturity date of July 1, 2018. Both items (BA3 and BA4) will be voted on during the December 11, 2012 School Board Meeting, and at the December 11, 2012 St. Johns Leasing Corporation Board of Directors Meeting.

**Master Board Training Discussion**

Dr. Joyner stated that the 2013-2014 Master Board Program will be offered at four different dates in 2013. Discussion followed, and the Board decided to attend the training on March 7-8, 2013 in Ocala, Florida.

**School Concurrency Proportionate Share Mitigation Agreements**

Mrs. Cubbedge presented the School Concurrency Proportionate Share Mitigation Agreements for Oxford Estates, which is located in the Bartram Trail Concurrency Area, and the Oakridge project, which is located in the Creekside Concurrency Service Area.

**Public Comments** –None

**Closing Comments**

Mrs. Slough requested a joint County Commission – School Board meeting soon. Mr. Canan stated that he is honored to work with the other School Board Members. Dr. Joyner wished Mrs. Slough a happy birthday this upcoming weekend.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

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Superintendent

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Chairman

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Date Approved