

SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP (Tuesday, January 5, 2021)

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Members present

Patrick Canan, Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Bill Mignon

Meeting called to order at 9 AM**A. Meeting Opening**

1. Call to Order by School Board Chair
2. Roll Call by Superintendent of Schools

B. Opening Comments - Board and Superintendent

Kelly Barrera wished everyone a Happy New Year and commented yesterday's return of students and staff went smoothly.

Bill Mignon expressed gratitude for new Covid-19 vaccinations being administered.

Anthony Coleman stated it was good to be back and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Bev Slough expressed her gratitude for being back and busy. She wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Patrick Canan wished everyone a Happy New Year and commented he was happy to be back.

Tim Forson wished everyone a Happy New Year. He stated he was looking forward to the promise of a successful 2021. The district will continue to do the best for our students and staff in the upcoming semester. He welcomed Gretchen Saunders, Chief Financial Officer. Ms. Saunders comes to St. Johns County School District from Hillsborough County. Mr. Forson went on to express his pride and stated we are honored to have her on our team. He brought up scheduling a Master Board training day with the Florida School Board Association (FSBA), now that we have a new board member. The board will move forward with this.

Michael Degutis welcomed Gretchen Saunders. He stated she brings a wealth of knowledge, and we are looking forward to working with her.

C. Workshop Topics

1. School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting (SESIR) Rule presented by Paul Abbatinozzi, Senior Director for School Services; and Frank Upchurch, School Board Attorney

D. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

E. Closing Comments by the School Board and Superintendent

Kelly Barrera welcomed Gretchen Saunders to St. Johns County School

District, stating we are fortunate to have her.

Patrick Canan thanked the presenters regarding the SESIR rule. He welcomed Gretchen Saunders to the team, stating he is looking forward to working with her.

Mr. Canan brought up Commissioner Blocker's letter regarding scheduling a joint meeting with SJCSD. He let the board members know he would follow up with him and move forward with scheduling a meeting.

Tim Forson spoke about a productive visit before the holiday break, with Tim Hay, Executive Director for Office of Safe Schools. He stated it is good for the state officials to see the work being done in their counties. We now look forward to Chancellor Mack's visit to FCTC next week.

F. Adjournment at 10:02 AM