

SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP (Tuesday, August 22, 2023)

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Members present

Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Tony Coleman, Patrick Canan, Jennifer Collins

Meeting called to order at 9 a.m.**A. Meeting Opening**

1. Call to Order by School Board Chair
2. Roll Call by Superintendent of Schools
3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Tony Coleman

B. Opening Comments by the School Board and Superintendent

Tony Coleman shared his excitement for the beginning school year. He enjoyed seeing the kindergarteners interacting with their school's resource officers.

Bev Slough has enjoyed engaging with parent groups from her district's schools. She shared her excitement for the starting of a new school year.

Jennifer Collins met with Pedro Menendez High School's principal, Ted Banton, and was encouraged by his excitement in getting this new year underway.

Kelly Barrera met with principals over the summer and was encouraged by their enthusiasm in getting the 2023-24 school year started. She shared in the excitement and positivity of principals, teachers, parents, and students.

Tim Forson spoke about St. Johns County School District's continued growth and is happy with the tremendous start to the 2023-24.

C. Workshop Topics

1. Strategic Plan Presentation presented by Tim Forson, superintendent of schools; Paula Steele, senior director for leadership and professional learning; Christina Upchurch, chief of community relations; Cathy Hutchins, regional superintendent for elementary and K-8 schools; Dr. Brennan Asplen, deputy superintendent for operations; Wayne King, associate superintendent for human resources, Paul Abbatinuzzi, associate superintendent for student support services; Cynthia Williams, senior director for innovation and student success; Dawn Sapp, associate superintendent for curriculum and instruction; Jessica Richardson, senior director for exceptional student education; and Bruce Patrou, chief information officer
2. School Library Media Services Update presented by Dawn Sapp, associate superintendent for curriculum and instruction; and Frank Upchurch, school board attorney

D. Public Comment

1. Jean Moore, address not available.
Ms. Moore spoke about library material.

E. Closing Comments by the School Board and Superintendent

Bev Slough shared her appreciation for the presentations. She thanked the strategic planning team for their hard work. She also thanked the Creeklime and Ponte Vedra Newsline for covering our school district.

Patrick Canan thanked the presenters for their hard work.

Jennifer Collins thanked all the presenters for a thorough job.

Tony Coleman shared his appreciation for the strategic planning team.

Kelly Barrera thanked the PTOs for the difference they make in our schools. She thanked all the partnerships SJCS D has as they are essential to our district. Mrs. Barrera stated that the strategic plan is an asset to the district and also shared her appreciation for the hard work that goes into working with the library books.

Tim Forson stated that he was looking forward to 2023-24 being an excellent school year.

F. Adjournment at 11 a.m.