

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING (Thursday, September 11, 2025)

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Members present

Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

Meeting called to order at 4 PM**A. Meeting Opening****1. Call to Order by School Board Chair**

Mr. Coleman opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

2. Roll Call by Superintendent**3. Pledge of Allegiance by Dr. Linda Thomson****4. CHARACTER COUNTS! Presentation by Emily Fitzsimon, a Beachside HS junior and 1st Place winner in the HOSA Medical Law and Ethics event at the HOSA Future Health Professionals International Leadership Conference****5. Musical performance by Creekside High School Jazz Band****6. Meeting Dedication-This meeting is dedicated to the memory of Mr. Roland Fleming. Mr. Fleming served the students of St. Johns County Schools as a music teacher for 26 years, teaching at Sebastian Middle School, Ketterlinus Elementary and Mill Creek Elementary School.****B. Agenda Additions/Corrections****C. Approval of Regular Agenda as Restated****1. Approval of Regular Agenda as Restated**

Motion by Kelly Barrera, second by Linda Thomson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

D. Awards, Recognitions, Resolutions, Proclamations and Presentations**1. Recognition of the Jeff Holt Coach of the Year Award Recipients for Pursuing Victory With Honor****2. Recognition of CHARACTER COUNTS! Exemplary Status****3. Recognition of the HOSA - Future Health Professionals Leadership Winner****4. Recognition of National ACE Team****5. Recognition of FBLA National Leadership Conference Winner****6. Request for the Adoption of the Proclamation to Observe September 21-27, 2025, as Child Passenger Safety Week**

Motion by Kelly Barrera, second by Bev Slough.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

7. Request for the Adoption of the Proclamation to Observe September 17 as Constitution Day and September 22-26, 2025, as Celebrate Freedom Week

Motion by Jennifer Collins, second by Bev Slough.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

8. Request for the Adoption of the Proclamation to Observe September 14-20, 2025, as National Arts in Education Week

Motion by Kelly Barrera, second by Linda Thomson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

9. Request for the Adoption of the Proclamation to Observe September as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

Motion by Bev Slough, second by Kelly Barrera.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

E. Opening Comments - Board and Superintendent

Ms. Barrera and Dr. Thomson thanked the community for providing rezoning feedback.

Ms. Slough reported on advocacy meetings in Washington, D.C., noting receptive legislators and a U.S. Department of Education focus on preserving funding, particularly for student mental health.

Ms. Collins reflected on the 9/11 remembrance, emphasizing the need for national unity and civility in public discourse.

Mr. Coleman expressed appreciation for student leaders and staff supporting them, highlighting recent school visits with Dr. Asplen.

Dr. Asplen shared that students receive 45 minutes of social studies instruction on 9/11, honoring both the victims and the heroes of that day, and highlighted the Bartram Trail High School monument made from World Trade Center girders. He reported progress with PBIS, noting that 43% of schools now outperform the state median in reducing discipline referrals. He thanked Christina Upchurch and her team for enhancing district communication, encouraged attendance at his upcoming town halls, and pointed the community to recent media features and local publications for additional district information.

F. Public Comment

1. Brittany Baron, 36 Aaron Ln, Ponte Vedra, FL 32081
Ms. Baron spoke about rezoning.

2. Tara Gatlin, 1180 Hibiscus St., St. Augustine, FL 32084
Ms. Gatlin spoke about non-instructional staff.

3. Kate Dowdie, 53 Bayview Dr., St. Augustine, FL 32084
Ms. Dowdie spoke about teacher retention.

4. William Tinnerman, 5 Willard Dr., St. Augustine, FL 32086
Mr. Tinnerman spoke about millage rate.

5. Denzien of the Thunderdome, no address given
Mr. Dezien spoke about "stuff."

6. Sandy Ambersley(online)
Ms. Ambersley spoke about SJMAA.

7. Rachel Houser (online)
Ms. Houser spoke about rezoning.

G. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Consent Agenda (not specified)

Motion by Bev Slough, second by Kelly Barrera.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

H. Approval of School Board Meeting Minutes

1. Request for Approval of the Minutes for the August 12, 2025 School Board Meeting, August 26, 2025 School Board Workshop and September 2, 2025 School Board Workshop

Motion by Bev Slough, second by Jennifer Collins.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

I. Superintendent - Consent

J. Superintendent - Action

K. Chief of Staff - Action

L. Chief of Staff - Consent

M. School Board Attorney - Consent

1. Approval and Ratification of the Filing of School Board of St. Johns County, Florida v. Matthew Daniel Ross Lawsuit in the Circuit Court of St. Johns County, Florida.

N. School Board Attorney - Action

O. Personnel/Human Resources - Consent

1. Request for Approval of Appointments
2. Request for Approval of Transfers
3. Request for Approval of Leaves
4. Request for Approval of Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP)
5. Request for Approval of Resignations, Retirements, and Terminations
6. Request for Approval of Revised Job Descriptions
7. Request for Approval of Affiliation Agreement between St. Johns County School District and Arkansas State University
8. Request for Approval of Affiliation Agreement between St. Johns County School District and St. Johns River State College
9. Request for Approval to Amend Marathon Health Contract

Meeting recessed at 5:30 PM Meeting called back to order at 7:12 PM

P. Personnel/Human Resources - Action

1. Request Approval of School Calendars 2026-2027 and 2027-2028

Motion by Linda Thomson, second by Kelly Barrera.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

Q. Academic Services - Consent

1. Request for Approval of Field Studies
2. Request for Approval of the Articulation Agreement between Eligible Home Education Students and Parent/Guardians and St. Johns County School Board on behalf of First Coast Technical College
3. Request for Approval of the 2025-2026 Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement between Putnam County School District and St. Johns County School District on Behalf of First Coast Technical College
4. Request for Approval of the 2025-2026 Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement between Clay County School District and St. Johns County School District on Behalf of First Coast Technical College
5. Request for Approval of the 2025-2026 Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement between Washington Classical Christian School and St. Johns County School District on Behalf of

First Coast Technical College

6. Request for Approval of the Articulation Agreement between Eligible Personalized Education Program Students and Parents/Guardians and St. Johns County School Board on behalf of First Coast Technical College
7. Request for Approval of School Camps
8. Request for Approval of the 2025-2026 School Year Assessment Calendar for St. Johns County School District
9. Request for Approval of the 2025-2026 Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement between First Coast Technical College and St. Johns County School District
10. Request for Approval of Florida Tutoring Advantage
11. Request for the Approval of the St. Johns County School District July 2025 Head Start Financial Report

R. Academic Services - Action

S. Finance - Consent

1. Request for Approval of Monthly Accounts Payable and Payroll Expenditures as Presented
2. Request for Approval of the Cash Flow Analysis Report
3. Request for Acceptance of the Therapeutic Learning Center and St. Johns Community Campus Financial Statements
4. Request for Acceptance of St. Augustine Public Montessori School, Inc.'s Financial Statement
5. Request for Acceptance of Treaty Oaks Preparatory Academy Financial Statement
6. Request for Approval of the Purchasing Activity Summary
7. Request for Approval of Resolution Regarding Surplus Property
8. Request for Acceptance of Donations Valued at \$10,000 or Greater
9. Request for Renewal of ITB2023-66, Gym and Stage Floor Maintenance and Refinishing
10. Request for Renewal of ITB2023-69, Liquid Propane Gas Service
11. Request for Approval of ITB2025-074, Synthetic Turf at RB Hunt Elementary
12. Request for Approval of ITB2025-075, Industrial Floor System
13. Request for Approval of RFP2025-030, After School Enrichment Activities
14. Request for Authorization of the Superintendent to Negotiate and Execute Agreement PBX2025-069 with JF Acquisition, LLC dba JF Petroleum Group
15. Request for Authorization of the Superintendent to Negotiate and Execute Agreement PBX2025-080 with Triton Sensors, LLC
16. Request for Reassignment of ITB2024-005, Physical, Occupational, Speech Language, and Vision Services
17. Request for Reassignment of ITB2024-047, School Counselor and School Psychologist Services
18. Request for Rejection of All Responses to RFP2025-035 Classification and Compensation Study

19. Request for Rejection of All Responses to ITB2025-060, Sub Sandwiches

T. Finance - Action

1. Request for Approval of the Superintendent's Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2025.

Motion by Bev Slough, second by Linda Thomson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

2. Request for Approval of the 2024-2025 Budget Amendment #2025-G-11

Motion by Kelly Barrera, second by Bev Slough.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

3. Request for Approval of 2024-2025 Budget Amendment #2025-D-01

Motion by Jennifer Collins, second by Linda Thomson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

4. Request for Approval of 2024-2025 Budget Amendment #2025 C-03

Motion by Bev Slough, second by Jennifer Collins.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

5. Request for Approval of 2024-2025 Budget Amendment #2025 F-03

Motion by Kelly Barrera, second by Linda Thomson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

6. Request for Approval of the 2024-2025 Budget Amendment #2025-FCTC-11

Motion by Jennifer Collins, second by Bev Slough.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

7. Request for Approval of the FY 2024-2025 Budget Amendment #2025-SIF-0

Motion by Kelly Barrera, second by Jennifer Collins.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Bev Slough, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Collins, Linda Thomson

U. Operational Services - Consent

1. Request for Acceptance of the Capital Projects Status Report September 2025
2. Request for Acceptance of Maintenance Department Monthly Activities Report September 2025
3. Request for Acceptance of the Energy Conservation Program Quarterly Status Report September 2025

V. Operational Services - Action

W. Information Technology - Consent

X. Information Technology - Action

Y. Public Comment

1. Tamara Haleem (online)

Ms. Haleem spoke about teacher computer issues.

2. Tatyana Kovaleva (online)

Ms. Kovaleva spoke about about technology.

Z. Closing Comments by the School Board and Superintendent
Board members and Superintendent thanked all of the presenters.

AA. Adjournment - 7:53 PM