

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING (Tuesday, April 14, 2026)*Generated by Miriam Testasecca on Wednesday, April 15, 2026***Members present**

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

Meeting called to order at 4:30 PM

A. Meeting Opening

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

B. Agenda Additions/Corrections

C. Approval of Regular Agenda as Stated

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Motion by Bev Slough, second by Kelly Barrera.

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 2026 Best Overall Project in the SJCS National History Day Competition
2. Recognition of the 2026 All-County Middle School Art Exhibit Winners
3. Recognition of the 2026 Battle of the Books Winners
4. Recognition of the Winter State Athletic Champions

Short Meeting Break

A5. Request for the Adoption of the Proclamation to Observe April as Month of the Military Child

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 the Adoption of the Proclamation to Observe April 6-10, 2026, as Assistant Principals Week

Motion by Bev Slough, second by Anthony Coleman.

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 April as School Library Month and April 13-17, 2026, as National Library Week

Motion by Kelly Barrera, second by Anthony Coleman.

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 April as Volunteer Month and April 19-25, 2026, as Volunteer Week

Motion by Jennifer Collins, second by Bev Slough.

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 April as Alcohol Awareness Month

Motion by Anthony Coleman, second by Bev Slough.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

10. Request for the Adoption of the Proclamation to Observe April as Child Abuse Prevention Month

Motion by Jennifer Collins, second by Linda Thomson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

11. Request for the Adoption of the Proclamation to Observe April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Motion by Kelly Barrera, second by Bev Slough.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

12. Request for the Adoption of the Proclamation to Observe May 7, 2026, as Children's Mental Health Awareness Day

Motion by Anthony Coleman, second by Linda Thomson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

13. Request for the Adoption of the Proclamation to Observe May 6, 2026, as School Nurse Day

Motion by Bev Slough, second by Jennifer Collins.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

14. Request for the Adoption of the Proclamation to Observe May 4-8, 2026, as Teacher and Guest Teacher Appreciation Week

Motion by Linda Thomson, second by Anthony Coleman.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Short Meeting Break

E. Opening Comments - Board and Superintendent

Mr. Coleman stated that he is grateful to share experience and compassion on the board for children to keep them safe.

Dr. Thomson and Mrs. Slough commented on the MMS dance video.

Mrs. Barrera stated that she enjoyed the AYCA banquet and all the amazing students of character being honored.

Ms. Collins enjoyed the student recognitions.

Dr. Asplen stated that he is happy to showcase student artwork in the auditorium each month, and also stated that that there was good conversation on safety, student achievement and budget at the FADSS conference last week.

F. Public Comment

1. Thomas Dougherty, 443 Spamas Branch Circle, St. Johns, FL 32259

Mr. Dougherty spoke about transportation.

2. Matt Lafti, 2275 A1A S., St. Augustine, FL 32080

Mr. Lafti spoke about RFQ 26-007

Online

1. Tamara Haleem congratulated the board on Master Board recognition.

2. Erika Forest-Martin spoke in favor of Saint Augustine Montessori.

G. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Consent Agenda

Motion by Linda Thomson, second by Anthony Coleman.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

H. Approval of School Board Meeting Minutes and Board Travel

1. Request for Approval of the Minutes for the March 3, 2026 School Board Workshop, March 10, 2026 School Board Meeting and March 24, 2026 School Board Workshop

Motion by Bev Slough, second by Kelly Barrera.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

2. Request for Approval of Estimated School Board Member Travel Expenses

Mrs. Slough will attend the 2026 Florida School Board Association (FSBA)/Florida Association of District School Superintendents (FADSS) Annual Summer Joint Conference, held in Tampa, Florida from June 9-12, 2026.

The estimated total travel expenses, which include registration (275), hotel (732) mileage (261.96) and meals (57), is not to exceed \$1,326.

Mr. Coleman will attend the 2026 Florida School Board Association (FSBA)/Florida Association of District School Superintendents (FADSS) Annual Summer Joint Conference, held in Tampa, Florida from June 9-12, 2026.

The estimated total travel expenses, which include registration (275), hotel (473.30) mileage (227.14) and meals (57), is not to exceed \$1,032.44.

Motion by Anthony Coleman, second by Linda Thomson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Ye: 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

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 Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP)
4. Request for Approval of Resignations, Retirements, and Terminations
5. Request for Approval of Leaves
6. Request for Approval of Out-Of-Field Teachers
7. Request for Approval of Revised Job Descriptions

P. Personnel/Human Resources - Action

Q. Academic Services - Consent

1. Request for Approval of Field Studies
2. Request for Approval of the Additions to the 2025-2026 High School Course Catalog
3. Request for Approval of School Camps
4. Request for the Approval of the St. Johns County School District February 2026 Head Start Program and Financial Report(s).

R. Academic Services - Action

1. Request for Approval of the St. Johns Compass Program

Motion by Bev Slough, second by Kelly Barrera.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

2. Request for Approval of the Recommendations for the Health Opportunities through Physical Education

Motion by Bev Slough, second by Linda Thomson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

3. Request for Approval of the Charter School Renewal Contract between St. Johns County School District and Saint Augustine Montessori Community, Inc. for a period of ~~Five Years~~: Three years.

Motion to discuss renewal for 3 years with high stakes review by Kelly Barrera, second by Linda Thomson. Discussed concerns regarding finances and student test scores.

Amended Motion to renew for 3 years with high stakes review by Kelly Barrera, second by Linda Thomson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

S. Finance - Consent

1. Request for Approval of Monthly Accounts Payable and Payroll Expenditures as Presented

2. Request for Approval of 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. Acceptance of St. Augustine Public Montessori School, Inc.'s Financial Statement

6. Request for Acceptance of Treaty Oaks Preparatory Academy Financial Statement

7. Request for Acceptance of the District's Financial Statement

8. Request for Approval of the Purchasing Activity Summary

9. Request for Approval of Resolution Regarding Surplus Property

10. Request for Approval of Resolution to Reactivate Surplus Property Items

11. Request for Acceptance of Donations Valued at \$10,000 or Greater

12. Request for Renewal of ITB2023-12, School Bus Cleaning Services

13. Request for Renewal of ITB2024-003, Pressure Washing

14. Request for Renewal of ITB2024-006, HVAC Services, Maintenance, Repair, and Installation

15. Request for Renewal of ITB2024-019, Appraisal Services

16. Request for Approval of ITB2026-004, Charter Bus Service

17. Request for Approval of ITB2026-020, Fire Extinguisher and Kitchen Hood Inspections

18. Request for Approval of ITB2026-030, Flooring

19. Request for Approval of Agreement PSX2026-044 with Solution Tree, Inc.

20. Request for Rejection of All Responses to ITB2026-023, Energy Control Parts and Service

T. Finance - Action

1. Request for Approval of the 2025-26 Budget Amendment #2026-G-07

Motion by Bev Slough, second by Kelly Barrera.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

2. Request for Approval of the 2025-2026 Budget Amendment #2026-FCTC-07

Motion by Bev Slough, second by Kelly Barrera.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

3. Request for Approval of 2025-2026 Budget Amendment #2026 C-02

Motion by Kelly Barrera, second by Bev Slough.

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

2. Acceptance of Maintenance Department Monthly Activities Report April 2026

3. Request for Approval and Authorization for the Superintendent to Negotiate Contracts for RFQ2026-007, Professional Engineering, Surveying and Environmental Continuing Contract Services

4. Request for Approval and Authorization for the Superintendent to Negotiate Contracts for RFQ2026-008, Professional Geotechnical, Construction and Materials Testing, and Indoor Air Quality Continuing Contract Services

5. Request for Approval and Authorization for the Superintendent to Negotiate Contracts for RFQ2026-006, Professional Architectural Continuing Contract Services

6. Request for Award of ITB2026-013, Ketterlinus Elementary School Partial Roof Replacement

7. Request for Award of ITB2026-014, Murray Middle School School Partial Low-Sloped Roof Replacement

8. Request for Approval of Change Order #1 for Hastings High School Repairs, Renovations & Site Improvements

9. Request for Approval of Contractor Prequalification

V. Operational Services - Action

W. Information Technology - Consent

X. Information Technology - Action

Y. Public Comment - None

Z. Closing Comments by the School Board and Superintendent

Mr. Coleman expressed his appreciation for FSBA.

Dr. Thomson congratulated the Beachside High School Boys Soccer Team for another state championship.

Mrs. Slough spoke about the stated budget and ESE funding.

Mrs. Barrera stated that Dr. Asplen spoke this week at a town hall and urges more people to attend upcoming town halls to learn about the budget.

Ms. Collins thanked everyone for their presentations.

Dr. Asplen stated that he was pleased to see so many people at the meeting and gave positive praise to our deputies for attending and keeping us safe both here and at our schools.

AA. Adjournment - 6:58 PM