

SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP (Tuesday, August 4, 2026)

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Members present

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

Meeting called to order at 9 AM**A. Meeting Opening****2. Roll Call by Superintendent****3. Pledge of Allegiance by Bev Slough****B. Opening Comments by the School Board and Superintendent**

Dr. Thomson, Mrs. Slough, Mrs. Barrera, and Ms. Collins shared their excitement for the start of the new school year and expressed appreciation for the enthusiasm shown by teachers and administrators.

Dr. Asplen highlighted the SPARK event at the Mayo Clinic, where twenty students attended and presented their work. He also

mentioned the Pursuing Victory with Honor event, attended by more than 300 coaches, where David Simpkins was presented with the Joseph Joyner Award.

C. Workshop Topics

1. License Agreement between the St. Johns County School Board and the Saint Johns Middle School Athletic Association,
presented by Mr. Paul Abbatinuzzi and Mr. Guy Harris

D. Public Comment-None**E. Closing Comments by the School Board and Superintendent**

Mr. Coleman commented on the positive impact of sports on students, noting that participation helps develop self-discipline and social skills.

Mrs. Slough expressed her gratitude for the St. Johns Middle School Sports Association (SJMSSA). Mrs. Barrera, Dr. Thomson,

and Ms. Collins echoed the comments made by Mr. Coleman and Mrs. Slough.

Dr. Asplen thanked the School Board, Mr. Abbatinuzzi, Mr. Harris, and Mr. Snodgrass for their work and presentation.

F. Adjournment: 10:02 AM