

Regular School Board Meeting

Tuesday, December, 11, 2012 10:00 AM

School Administration Building

301 Fourth Street SW
Largo, FL 33770

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Public Comments

Prior to the presentations, Mrs. Cook shared with the public the three opportunities they will have to present comments to the Board. They are as follows: During the Public Comments prior to the start of the meeting or following the adjournment of the meeting; during Speakers Addressing Numbered Agenda Items at which time comments are to be limited to specific agenda items; and, during Unfinished Business, Item #2 - Public Hearing to Consider the Amendment to Policy 2250.

The following individuals presented their comments to the Board:

1. Lenore Faulkner

Ms. Faulkner addressed the Board to share information regarding her teaching career and insight into her son's concerns.

2. Marshall Ogletree

Mr. Ogletree addressed the Board to state that this was his last meeting before his retirement from the position of the Executive Director of PCTA (Pinellas Classroom Teachers Association) and PESPA (Pinellas Education Support Personnel Association). Mr. Ogletree stated that he believes Pinellas is turning the corner with the new leadership provided by Dr. Grego; and, wished Dr. Grego the best, stating that he believes the future is bright with the election of 2012.

3. Mark Klutho

Mr. Klutho addressed the Board to state that he had provided them with a paper that demonstrates what is being taught to second graders in the low-performing buildings provided to them by the Board. Mr. Klutho shared that his wife, who has taught for twenty years, has now received a needs improvement in her appraisal.

There were no additional presentations from the audience; and, this session ended at 10:11 a.m.

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<https://www.pcsb.org>**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 AM on December 11, 2012 at the School Administration Building, 301 Fourth Street SW, Largo, FL.

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Deborah Beaty	Pinellas County Schools	Adm. Assistant and Clerk to the Board	Present	
Michael A. Grego	Pinellas County Schools	Superintendent	Present	
Michael Bessette	Pinellas County Schools	Associate Superintendent	Present	
Kevin Smith	Pinellas County Schools	Associate Superintendent/Finance Business Services	Present	
David Koperski	Pinellas County Schools	Board Attorney	Present	
Carol Cook	Pinellas County Schools	Chairperson	Present	
Peggy O' Shea	Pinellas County Schools	Vice Chairperson	Present	
Janet Clark	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Rene Flowers	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Terry Krassner	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Linda Lerner	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Robin Wikle	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	

II. Amendments to the Agenda

There were no amendments to the agenda.

III. Invocation

- Pastor Griffin Gilstrap, Harborside Christian Church, 2200 Marshall Street, Safety Harbor 34695***

The Invocation was delivered by Pastor Gilstrap.

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance followed the Invocation.

A. National Anthem

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a video was shown of the Middle School Concert Band performing the National Anthem.

B. Video: What Parents Need to Know: The Transition to Common Core State Standards

A video was shown sharing information with parents regarding the district's transition to complying with the state's Common Core Standards direction.

V. Introduction of Professional and Community Organization Reps

A. Melanie Marquez, Public Information Officer

Ms. Marquez introduced the following individuals: Nelly Henjes, PESPA; Kimberly Black, PCTA; Marshall Ogletree, PCTA/PESPA; Sonya Roundtree and Rick Brant, SEIU/Florida Public Services Union; Linda Kearschner, PCCPTA; Maria Cantonis, Pinellas Arts for a Complete Education Coalition; Curtis Krueger, The Tampa Bay Times; and, Melissa Eichman and Pete Stock, Bay News 9.

At this time, Ms. Marquez introduced the Student Rights & Responsibilities Committee representatives from Osceola High School.

VI. Presentation by Student Rights and Responsibilities

A. Osceola High School

Cloe Kamps and Andrew Matyk, Students Rights and Responsibilities representatives from Osceola High School, addressed the Board to share information regarding programs and achievements taking place at their school.

VII. Speakers Addressing Numbered Agenda Items

The following individuals addressed the Board to offer their comments on selected agenda items:

1. Mark Klutho

Consent Item #10 - Budget Amendment #1

Consent Item #18 - Agreements for Architectural/Engineering, Contract Administration Services, Construction Management, Additional Electrical, Civil and Structural Engineering Services at specified schools

Consent Item #20 - Substantial Completion for Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning Upgrades, Cross Bayou Elementary School

Mr. Klutho addressed the Board to say that the use of the word, budget, in Item #10 is an obscenity; and, to say that everything that is done in Item #18 has caused the budget concerns mentioned in Item #10.

2. Jerry Theophilopoulos

Nonconsent Item #9 - Denial of the Charter Application for Keystone Preparatory School, Inc.

Mr. Theophilopoulos addressed the Board to speak against the recommendation to deny the Charter Application for Keystone Preparatory School, Inc.

3. Carolynn Wilson

Nonconsent # 7 - Issuance of a 90-Day Notice of Non-Renewal of the Charter with Imagine Pinellas County, LLC

Ms. Wilson addressed the Board to share that she is the newly appointed principal for Imagine Pinellas; and, requested that the Board listen to the comments and give the school an opportunity to demonstrate that there will be tremendous growth.

4. Beckie Brito

Nonconsent # 7 - Issuance of a 90-Day Notice of Non-Renewal of the Charter with Imagine Pinellas County, LLC

Ms. Brito addressed the Board to speak against the recommendation. Ms. Brito stated that she has been recently appointed as the new curriculum administrator and assistant principal; that there are changes being made in the classroom structure; and, that the hiring practice has been changed to hiring teachers with more experience.

5. Chris Watson

Nonconsent # 7 - Issuance of a 90-Day Notice of Non-Renewal of the Charter with Imagine Pinellas County, LLC

Mr. Watson addressed the Board to speak against the recommendation. Mr. Watson requested that the Board consider the disruption of the students this will cause and consider the progress made by all schools.

6. Margaret New

Ms. New was not present when called.

7. Terrence Tomlin

Nonconsent # 7 - Issuance of a 90-Day Notice of Non-Renewal of the Charter with Imagine Pinellas County, LLC

Mr. Tomlin, Marketing Director for Imagine Pinellas, addressed the Board to speak against the recommendation to provide the 90-Day Notice of Non-Renewal to Imagine Pinellas. Mr. Tomlin requested that if the Board is using test scores to make their determination to use the same criteria on other schools. Mr. Tomlin encouraged the Board to make their decision based on the best interest of students.

8. Rod Sasse

Nonconsent # 7 - Issuance of a 90-Day Notice of Non-Renewal of the Charter with Imagine Pinellas County, LLC

Mr. Sasse, Executive Director for Imagine, addressed the Board to speak against the recommendation and to request that the Board provide them with one year to prove themselves following the changes in leadership that have been made. Mr. Sasse asked what the rush was.

9. Archbishop Clarence Davis

Nonconsent # 7 - Issuance of a 90-Day Notice of Non-Renewal of the Charter with Imagine Pinellas County, LLC

Archbishop Davis addressed the Board to speak against the recommendation and suggested that, rather than the Board making a decision, allow parents and students to decide whether they want to continue to attend this charter school.

VIII. Adoption of Agenda

Dr. Grego requested the following change to the agenda:

Remove Nonconsent Item #5 - Request Approval of a Five-Year Charter Renewal for NewStart High School and to Change the School Name from NewStart High School to Enterprise High School

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Terry Krassner, Board Member
SECONDER:	Peggy O' Shea, Vice Chairperson
AYES:	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

IX. Special Order Agenda

1. School Board of Pinellas County / Florida School Boards Association, Inc. Resolution on Sequestration

Dr. Grego presented the item and thanked Dr. Jan Urbanski for personalizing the FSBA Resolution to Pinellas County. Dr. Urbanski briefly summarized the need for the Resolution. Mrs. O'Shea read the Resolution aloud.

Discussion followed by Board Members.

It was moved by Ms. Clark and seconded by Ms. Flowers and carried with a 7-0 vote to adopt the Resolution on Sequestration.

2. Presentation of the 2011-2012 Independent Citizens Referendum Oversight Committee (ICROC) Annual Report to the Pinellas County School Board and Citizens of Pinellas County, Presented By, Linda Kearschner, Chairperson, Independent Citizens Referendum Oversight Committee

Dr. Grego requested that Mr. Bill Lawrence present this item.

Mr. Lawrence thanked the taxpayers for their vote supporting the referendum and introduced Ms. Linda Kearschner, member of Pinellas County Council PTA and chairperson of ICROC. Ms. Kearschner presented the report to the Board for their acceptance.

It was moved by Ms. Flowers, seconded by Mrs. O'Shea and carried with a 7-0 vote to accept the 2011-12 Independent Citizens Referendum Oversight Committee Annual Report to the Board.

X. Unfinished Business

1. Request Approval of the Recommendation to Accept the Stipulation to Suspend Deborah Blanchard, Teacher, Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Elementary School, for Time Served

(Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Terry Krassner, Board Member
SECONDER:	Rene Flowers, Board Member
AYES:	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

2. Public Hearing to Consider the Amendment to Policy 2250 – FUNDAMENTAL SCHOOLS, MAGNET PROGRAMS, AND CAREER ACADEMIES (This is the Second Reading.)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Terry Krassner, Board Member
SECONDER:	Robin Wikle, Board Member
AYES:	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

XI. Consent

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Janet Clark, Board Member
SECONDER:	Terry Krassner, Board Member
AYES:	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

1. Approval of Minutes: to Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 13, 2012; the Organization Meeting of November 20, 2012; the Retreat of October 24, 2012; And, the Workshop of November 13, 2012
Approved, as submitted.
2. Request Approval of Personnel Recommendations
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)
3. Appointment of a School Board Member to Serve as a Member of the Pinellas Planning Council for the Two-Year Term Commencing January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014
Approved to appoint Mrs. Peggy O'Shea as the Board's representative to the Pinellas Planning Council for a two-year commitment.
4. Request Approval of the School Resource Officer Agreements with the City of Gulfport, the City of Largo, the City of Pinellas Park, the City of Clearwater and the City of St. Petersburg for the 2012-2013 Year

Approved, as submitted.

5. Request Approval of the Student/Staff Calendar for School Year 2013-14 and Special Observance Days

Approved, as submitted.

6. Request Approval of Contract with Corporate Care Works to Provide an Employee Assistance Plan from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2015

Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)

7. Request Approval for Humana to Provide Group Medicare Advantage Plans for Medicare Enrolled Retirees

Approved, as submitted.

8. Request Approval of Field Trip Bid Selection

Approved, as follows:

Tarpon Springs High School Leadership and Music Conservatory Choral

April 3-7, 2013 - Nashville, Tennessee

Compete in the Show Choir Nationals at the Grand Ole Opry

Martz First Class Coach Bus Lines and Show Choir Nationals, Inc.

\$700.00 per student/approximately 70 students

9. Request Approval of the Following Special Projects:

Approved, as follows:

A. Florida Department of Education 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant

\$1,484,589.00

B. Amendment to Contract with Decision Ed Group, Inc. \$97,560.00

(Copy/copies to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)

10. Request Approval of Budget Amendment No. 1 (September 2012) to the District's 2012/2013 Budget

Approved, as submitted.

11. Request Approval of the Financial Statements for the Month Ending September 30, 2012 for Fiscal Year 2012/2013

Approved, as submitted.

12. Request Approval of the Investment Portfolio Financial Statements for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2012

Approved, as submitted.

13. Request Approval of Agreements Between Community Partners: Bethel Metropolitan Baptist Church; Citizen's Alliance for Progress; City of Clearwater, Florida, Clearwater Aquatic Center; City of Clearwater, Florida, Clearwater Police Substation; City of Largo, Florida, Largo Recreation Center SW Complex; Police Athletic League Lealman Sports Complex

Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)

14. Request Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between School Board of Pinellas County and Community Development Institute Head Start Serving Pinellas County, FL

Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)

15. Request Approval of the Health Agreement Between PharMerica Hospital Pharmacy Services, LLC And the School Board of Pinellas County
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)
16. Request Approval of the 2012-2013 School Advisory Council Membership Rosters
Approved, as submitted.
17. Request Approval of an Easement Located at the V-6 Wilcox Road Site with the City of Largo
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)
18. Request Approval of Agreements and Amendments to Agreement for Architectural/Engineering, Contract Administration Services, Construction Management, Additional Electrical, Civil and Structural Engineering Services at the Following Schools:
 - A. Madeira Beach Fundamental School K-8, Williamson Dacar Associates, Inc.
 - B. pTEC St. Petersburg Campus, Renker Eich Parks Architects, Inc.
 - C. Tarpon Springs High School, Engineering Matrix, Inc. .
 - D. Northeast High School, Ajax Building Corporation .
 - E. pTEC Clearwater Campus, Griffin Design Associates, P.A.
 - F. Seminole High School, Renker Eich Parks Architects
 - G. pTEC Clearwater Campus, Griffin Design Associates, P.AApproved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)
19. Request Approval of Change Order No. 1 with Gulf States Industries, Inc. for Reroofing of Buildings 1, 2, 3, 5 and Adjoining Covered Walkways. This Change Order Will Increase the Project Cost by \$47,344 with a Ninety-One (91) Day Time Extension at Orange Grove Elementary School, Project No. 9372.
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)
20. Request Acceptance of Substantial Completion for Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning Upgrades as of September 19, 2012 at Cross Bayou Elementary School, Project No. 9358
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)
21. Request Approval of Selling Surplus and Obsolete Equipment on the PublicSurplus.Com Internet Auction Site
Approved, as submitted.
22. Request Approval of Bids to Vendors at Prices in Bid Documents in Accordance with Bid Policies and Statutes
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)

XII. Nonconsent

1. Setting a Public Hearing and Authorizing the Advertisement of the Public Hearing to Consider The Amendment to Policy 5330 – USE OF MEDICATIONS (This is the First Reading.)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Terry Krassner, Board Member
SECONDER:	Janet Clark, Board Member
AYES:	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

2. Setting a Public Hearing and Authorizing the Advertisement of the Public Hearing to Consider the Amendment to the Various Student Progression Plan Policies; 2470 Education of English Language Learners (ELLs); 5410.01 Required Core Curriculum/Promotion/Retention/Acceleration - Elementary; 5410.02 Regular Program Core Curriculum/Promotion/Retention/Acceleration - Middle School; 5420.02 Reporting Student Progress - Middle School; 5420.03 Reporting Student Progress and Class Ranking – High School; 5430 Class Rank; 5455 Florida's Bright Futures Scholarship Program; 5460 Graduation Requirements; 5463 Credits from Other Schools; 5465 General Education Development (GED) Tests (This is the First Reading.)

Dr. Grego presented this item, stating that this is our pupil progression plan; and, that these policy amendments will be placed in language that is more end-user friendly to ensure parents and students understand the direction taken. Discussion followed by Board Members.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robin Wikle, Board Member
SECONDER:	Janet Clark, Board Member
AYES:	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

3. Request Approval of Pinellas County Schools Proposed 2013 Legislative Program
Mr. Steve Swartzel, Director of Governmental Services, presented this item.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robin Wikle, Board Member
SECONDER:	Terry Krassner, Board Member
AYES:	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

4. Request Approval of an Amendment to Increase Enrollment at MYcroSchool Charter School
Ms. Dot Clark, Coordinator for Partnership Schools, presented this item.
(Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Terry Krassner, Board Member
SECONDER:	Rene Flowers, Board Member
AYES:	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

5. Request Approval of a Five-Year Charter Renewal for NewStart High School and to Change the School Name from NewStart High School to Enterprise High School
This item was removed from the agenda by the Superintendent during the adoption of the agenda.

6. Request Approval of a Five-Year Charter Renewal for Alfred Adler Charter School
Ms. Dot Clark, Coordinator for Partnership Schools, presented this item.
(Copy to be found in the Supplemental Minute Book #147.)

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Janet Clark, Board Member
SECONDER: Terry Krassner, Board Member
AYES: Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

7. Recommend Issuance of a 90-Day Notice of Non-Renewal of the Charter with Imagine Pinellas County, LLC
Dr. Grego stated that the Board Members, along with the leadership of the Imagine charter, had received a full presentation at a previous workshop.
Ms. Dot Clark, Coordinator for Partnership Schools, presented this item.
Discussion followed by Board Members and Mr. Steve Swartzel, Director of Governmental Services.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Janet Clark, Board Member
SECONDER: Rene Flowers, Board Member
AYES: Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

8. Request Denial of the Charter Application for Innovations Middle Charter School of Pinellas
Ms. Dot Clark, Coordinator for Partnership Schools, presented this item.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Terry Krassner, Board Member
SECONDER: Janet Clark, Board Member
AYES: Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

9. Request Denial of the Charter Application for Keystone Preparatory School, Inc.
Ms. Dot Clark, Coordinator for Partnership Schools, presented this item.
Discussion followed by Board Members, Ms. Clark and Dr. Grego.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Terry Krassner, Board Member
SECONDER: Rene Flowers, Board Member
AYES: Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

10. Request Approval of the Charter Application for Windsor Middle Academy

Dr. Grego thanked Ms. Dot Clark, Coordinator for Partnership Schools, for her work; and, stated that this will be the last charter application to be presented to this Board during this school year.

Ms. Dot Clark presented this item.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Terry Krassner, Board Member
SECONDER:	Janet Clark, Board Member
AYES:	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

XIII. New Business**A. Items Introduced by Superintendent**

Dr. Grego's report included the following:

- 1) Stated that this will be the Board's only meeting in December and took this opportunity to wish all a restful time with family and friends.
- 2) Complimented the Education Foundation for having exceeded their goal of raising \$300,000 by their Ties & Tennis Shoes event Friday night at Tropicana Field and the Strides for Education 5k. Dr. Grego announced that their efforts raised \$350,000 for scholarship opportunities for students and congratulated all who participated.
- 3) Stated that he has been very impressed with Commissioner Adam Putnam and the Department of Agriculture's Farm to School initiative. Dr. Grego shared that the initiative provides Florida schools with fresh Florida-grown produce which is also helping the farmers. Dr. Grego stated that the first tangelo harvest was distributed this morning with 50,000 tangelos shipped to schools around the state, including a delivery to Safety Harbor Middle School this morning. Pinellas has purchased Florida okra, cauliflower, green beans and other produce through the Farm to School program since the beginning of this school year. The Food Service department plans on continuing to bring fresh Florida produce to school cafeterias throughout the school year.
- 4) Expressed his appreciation to Mr. Marshall Ogletree who will be retiring from PCTA/PESPA this month, stating that it has been a pleasure working with a gentleman who cares about the students of our district.
- 5) Shared that he will be driving to Tampa tomorrow morning to speak with the State Board of Education on such issues as digital textbooks and related budget needs, Common Core assessments, electronic testing, etc. Dr. Grego assured the Board that we will have a smooth implementation in these areas.
- 6) Shared that later tomorrow, he will be involved in a meeting with Governor Scott, a teacher and a member of the support staff to discuss the status of education, funding and issues related to the timing element of bringing in instructional leadership.

B. Items Introduced by School Board Attorney

Mr. Koperski's report included the following:

1) Shared that a meeting was held yesterday regarding the Bradley MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) as it relates to DMAC (District Monitoring Advisory Committee). Mr. Koperski stated that this portion of the MOU will be brought to the Board at a Regular Meeting for their action; and, requested direction from the Board as to whether this should be brought to them in a workshop setting prior to the meeting. Board Members agreed to have this scheduled for a presentation and discussion at their January 22, 2013 workshop.

C. *Items Introduced by the Board*

Ms. Clark - 1) Shared an update on the planning of the Board's subcommittee for the Legislative Breakfast to be held this Thursday morning. 2) Commended Mr. Ogletree for his service as Executive Direction of PCTA/PESPA. 3) Wished all staff, students and families a wonderful winter break.

Mrs. Lerner - 1) Thanked Mr. Ogletree for his leadership and stated that collaborative bargaining efforts have improved. 2) Stated that it is her understanding that many of the copier issues are being resolved but would ask that the number of copies a teacher is allowed to make be reconsidered, especially for those teachers who act as sponsors for school clubs. Mrs. Lerner stated that she has talked about the digital divide before but that it continues to be a concern of hers. Mrs. Lerner stated that the Board has not looked at curriculum materials in quite a while; and, that she is aware of a new online program, InSync, but is concerned that some students still do not have the necessary resources in technology to be successful in their studies. Mrs. Lerner requested that the Board agree to schedule a discussion to talk about this further. 3) Wished everyone a wonderful holiday. Mrs. Lerner stated that we are in good hands with our teachers, staff, support staff and Dr. Grego. 4) Welcomed Rene Flowers to the Board. Mrs. Lerner stated that Ms. Flowers has asked good questions and will be an asset to the Board.

Mrs. O'Shea - 1) Wished everyone a healthy and happy holiday. 2) Agreed with Mrs. Lerner that the Board needs to discuss the digital divide. Mrs. O'Shea requested that the Superintendent and his staff include in their update to the Board information regarding the assistance once thought to be provided to families through Brighthouse.

Ms. Flowers - 1) Thanked the Board for being so gracious and Administrators for being so patient in answering her questions. 2) Thanked the community for allowing her to serve them. 3) Stated that she, too, will miss Mr. Ogletree but that she visits Tallahassee often and may see him there. 4) Shared that Representative Rouson's mother passed away and questioned whether the Board would form a resolution for such life events. 5) Shared that during the recent FSBA Conference in Tampa, a presentation was made on Common Core. Ms. Flowers stated that her question is where will the funds come from to purchase the technology, iPads, etc., to be provided to students. Ms. Flowers stated that districts cannot depend on city libraries to provide access to computers and internet since they, too, have experienced big cuts in their budgets.

Mrs. Wikle - 1) Welcomed Ms. Flowers to the Board. 2) Shared that Mr. Ogletree has been a quiet, gentleman leader. 3) Congratulated those who participated in Strides for Education. 4) Shared that she had forwarded to the Board her notes from the FSBA Board of Directors meeting recently held. Mrs. Wikle stated that she wants to be sure the FSBA Video Contest information has been received and properly distributed to schools. Mrs. Wikle also questioned whether our district participates in the Florida Education Trust Fund. Mr. Kevin

Smith responded that we will be participating and that we will soon be depositing funds in that account. 5) Shared that the NSBA Southern Region Conference will be held in Florida this coming July and encouraged Board Members to participate. 6) Wished all a happy holiday and restful time off.

Mrs. Krassner - 1) Shared that she goes back many years with Mr. Ogletree and stated that he will be missed. 2) Stated that she wants all to know how Dr. Grego is proactive and very approachable. 3) Wished all a great winter break.

Mrs. Cook - 1) Welcomed Ms. Flowers to the Board and shared that she is looking forward to working with her. 2) Stated that she can't say enough to thank Mr. Ogletree for his leadership and that she, too, will be looking forward to seeing him in Tallahassee. 3) Wished all a wonderful holiday season.

D. Review of Board Requests

Mr. Bessette offered the following summary of requests presented during this meeting:

- 1) Appropriate staff members will look into the bus issue brought forward during the expulsion hearings.
- 2) A list of the GED test administration sites will be properly publicized.

Mr. Bessette took this opportunity to wish all a restful and happy holiday season.

E. School Board Meeting Evaluation

The evaluation of the meeting followed the adjournment of the meeting and the results are as follows:

Pluses

- Ms. Cook as Chair
- Dedication of Board
- Staff preparation

Opportunities

None were offered

XIV. Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the School Board, this meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Chairperson

Superintendent and Ex Officio Secretary

Public Comments

There were no members of the community present to make comments to the Board at this time.