

Regular School Board Meeting

Tuesday, February, 12, 2013 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 that they may speak to the Board on general topics of the district at this time .

The following individuals presented their comments to the Board:

1. Joyce Aldridge

Ms. Aldridge, a student in the Public Policy and Administration Program St. Petersburg College, addressed the Board to speak to the need for more one-on-one mentors for African/American girls in grades kindergarten through fifth-grade to better ensure their graduation from high school. Ms. Aldridge stated that we must first acknowledge that there is such a need; then, we must aggressively market information to the community; then, we must reach out to pastors within the community to inform and encourage participation in the mentoring; then, we must sponsor a student mentor recruitment informational meeting and volunteer training meetings at one of the community centers; and, next, provide the mentoring opportunity information to parents in that neighborhood. Ms. Aldridge suggested that the final step would be for the district to allocate funds to provide a community liaison who would be directly responsible for recruiting mentors.

2. Joseph C'de Baca

Mr. C'de Baca addressed the Board to encourage the Board to pursue an opportunity to have live-streaming internet television in each of our schools. Mr. C'de Baca demonstrated that he had a product to sell and was cautioned by the Chairperson that his comments must stay with the concept, not the product. Mr. C'de Baca was directed to speak to Mr. Norm Kelton.

3. Mark Klutho

Mr. Klutho addressed the Board to share that he had recently attended the Hillsborough County School Board meeting; and, that there were grammatical errors made by a board member during that meeting. Mr. Klutho stated that parents should be evaluated; and, that the district is still squandering taxpayers' money.

4. Kim Black

Ms. Black, PCTA, addressed the Board to say that PCTA previously brought to the Board's attention the cost of chronic absenteeism by students, those missing twenty-one days or more. Ms. Black shared that Pinellas students made up 13% of that state report; and, that she is receiving reports that some students have already been absent forty days during this school year. Ms. Black stated that the district's policy doesn't have any teeth; and, that she would like an update on this matter.

There were no additional presentations from the audience; and, this session ended at 10:15 a.m.

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I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 AM on February 12, 2013 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/Operational Services	Present	
Kevin Smith	Pinellas County Schools	Associate Superintendent/Finance Business Services	Present	
David Koperski	Pinellas County Schools	Board Attorney	Present	
Rene Flowers	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Robin Wikle	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Carol Cook	Pinellas County Schools	Chairperson	Present	
Janet Clark	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Terry Krassner	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Linda Lerner	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Peggy O' Shea	Pinellas County Schools	Vice Chairperson	Present	

II. Amendments to the Agenda

At this time, the Chairperson shared with the public the following changes that have taken place in the agenda subsequent to its publication seven days ago:

Nonconsent #1 - Additional supporting documents have been added to this item.

Mrs. Cook announced that she has found good cause to amend the agenda and add the documents to this item.

Dr. Grego stated that the following bid is being removed from this agenda:

Consent Item #21, Bid #12-380-300-RA - Milk, Dairy & Juice Products, listed on page 360 and bid found on page 378

Mrs. Cook announced that she has found good cause to amend the agenda by deleting this bid.

III. Invocation

1. ***Pastor Richard Landon, Anona United Methodist Church, 13233 Indian Rocks Road, Largo, FL 33774***

The Invocation was delivered by Pastor Landon.

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: Making a Joyful Noise: Students Shine in All County Music Fest*

A video was shown highlighting the All County Music Fest that took place on January 28, 2013; and, included conversations by a mother and daughter who participated in this event.

V. Introduction of Professional and Community Organization Reps

A. *Melanie Marquez Parra - Public Information Officer*

Ms. Marquez Para introduced the following individuals: Kimberly Black, PCTA; Sonya Roundtree, SEIU/Florida Public Services Union; Cindy Ehrenzeller, PCCPTA; Pat Prisco, Pinellas Arts for a Complete Education Coalition; Cara Fitzpatrick, The Tampa Bay Times; and, Anastasia Dawson, The Tampa Tribune.

Mrs. Cook recognized Mr. Bruce Proud, the new Executive Director for PCTA/PESPA.

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

VI. Presentation by Student Rights and Responsibilities

A. Boca Ciega High School

Tyvon Jackasal and Deitrick Fowler, Students Rights and Responsibilities representatives from Boca Ciega High School, addressed the Board to share information regarding programs and achievements taking place at their school.

VII. Public Comments on Agenda Items

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

1. Rod Sasse

Mr. Sasse, Executive Vice President for Imagine Florida, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013.

2. Carolyn Wilson

Ms. Wilson, Principal of Imagine St. Petersburg, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013.

3. Erin Kelly

Ms. Kelly, Principal of Imagine North Lauderdale, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Ms. Kelly stated that Imagine has the capability to turn the St. Petersburg program around.

4. Shawn Arnold

Mr. Arnold, legal counsel for Imagine St. Petersburg, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Mr. Arnold said that there is no good cause for this Board to move forward with the recommendation for non renewal.

5. Chris Watson

Ms. Watson, Teacher at Imagine St. Petersburg, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Ms. Watson shared information related to learning gains.

6. Becky Britto

Ms. Britto, Assistant Principal and Curriculum Specialist for Imagine St. Petersburg, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Ms. Britto shared that she was part of the Imagine team in Manatee County; and, stated that Imagine St. Petersburg has a team now that can move this school forward.

7. Rev. Pierre Williams

Rev. Williams addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Rev. Williams stated that the parents are engaged in all aspects of the educational program at Imagine; that the community is ready to assist the school; and, that they are ready to institute parent programs.

8. Darrin Everage

Mr. Everage, Kindergarten Teacher, accompanied by another teacher from Imagine St. Petersburg, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. The teachers shared that they have set up tutoring opportunities for the students, one part focused on math and the other on reading.

9. Patricia Schmidt

Ms. Schmidt, Teacher, along with three students from Imagine, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Ms. Schmidt stated that the new environment made her want to return to Imagine this school year; that she is now able to teach her students; and, that there is now a lot of collaboration among the staff. Three students shared Ms. Schmidt's time to read their comments urging the Board not to close their school.

10. Alison Rhodes

Ms. Rhodes, School Librarian and mother of student at Imagine St. Petersburg, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Ms. Rhodes shared that her daughter is excelling in school; and, requested that the Board allow Imagine to remain open for her daughter and for her job to continue.

11. Ellen Rhodes

This name was incorrectly entered during the sign-in process.

Ms. Ellen Bolin, Teacher at Imagine St. Petersburg, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Ms. Bolin shared that she was teacher of the year for Imagine, and most recently named Imagine West Florida Teacher of the Year. Ms. Bolin shared information on the background of the students she serves and on the materials that are taught to these students.

12. Kanae Drayton

Kanae, student at Imagine St. Petersburg, addressed the Board to request that the Board not close her school. Kanae shared information on how the students at Imagine are taught and stated that Imagine is a fun school. Kanae stated that Imagine should remain open because there is not another school that works as hard as they do.

13. Keivyon Howard-Green

Keivyon, student at Imagine St. Petersburg, addressed the Board to request that the Board not close her school. Keivyon stated that the teachers at Imagine are dedicated to the students; and, that closing the school would be a mistake.

14. Amanda Lewis

Amanda, an eighth-grade student at Imagine, addressed the Board to request that the Board not close the Imagine St. Petersburg elementary charter. Amanda shared that she did not care about her education before attending Imagine; but, that by attending Imagine, she actually started to like school and her grades improved.

15. Atianna Williams

Atianna, with the assistance of a teacher, addressed the Board to say that she loves Imagine because she receives all A's and that it is her school.

16. Lacie McKinnie

Ms. McKinnie was not present when called.

17. Samantha Stout

Ms. Stout, Business Manager for Imagine St. Petersburg, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Ms. Stout shared that the school was improving under the new leadership of Ms. Wilson and Ms. Britto; and, that parents were still enrolling their children in Imagine St. Petersburg even after the negative press it has received.

18. Terrance Tomlin

Mr. Tomlin, Marketing Manager and Enrollment Coordinator for Imagine St. Petersburg, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Mr. Tomlin stated that Imagine St. Petersburg is a choice for parents; and, if they are not satisfied with it, their choice not to have their children attend will close the school.

19. Melissa Arnold

Ms. Gross-Arnold, legal counsel for Imagine St. Petersburg, addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Ms. Gross-Arnold stated that Imagine has performed as well or better than the surrounding schools, in spite of the fact that they did not receive the \$750,000 to \$1 million of state funds, part of the federal stimulus bill that they should have received.

20. Archbishop Clarence Davis

Arch Bishop Davis addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Arch Bishop Davis offered the compromise that if the Board would allow them to remain open, and should the school receive another failing grade, Imagine will not submit another renewal of the charter to the district for consideration.

21. Vatasha Maxwell

Ms. Maxwell addressed the Board to speak against the Superintendent's recommendation to deny relief to Imagine in response to the informal hearing held on January 22, 2013. Ms. Maxwell requested that the Board allow the new principal an opportunity to improve the school.

22. Mark Klutho

Consent Items #14 and #15 - Mr. Klutho stated that both of these items deal with HVAC and that these dollars are going up in smoke and not to the children of this county.

At the request of Mrs. Cook, Mr. Bessette provided an explanation of the dollar figures contained in both items.

VIII. Adoption of Agenda

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

IX. Special Order Agenda**X. Unfinished Business****XI. Consent**

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rene Flowers, 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 January 29, 2013; And, the Workshop of January 22, 2013
Approved, as submitted.
2. Request Approval of Personnel Recommendations
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)
3. Request Approval to Change the May 14, 2013, and May 28, 2013, School Board Meeting Dates to May 7, 2013, and May 21, 2013, Respectively, and Change the Times of the November 12, 2013, Regular School Board Meeting and Organizational Meeting
Approved, as submitted.
4. Request Approval of the Recommendation to Dismiss Ms. Billie Combs, Bus Driver, Transportation Department
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)
5. Request Approval of Budget Amendment No. 3 (November 2012) to the District's 2012/2013 Budget
Approved, as submitted.

6. Request Approval of the Financial Statements for the Month Ending November 30, 2012 for Fiscal Year 2012/2013
Approved, as submitted.
7. Request Approval of the Baseball Field Lighting Renewal Agreement with the City of Tarpon Springs Use of Tarpon Springs High School Baseball Fields
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)
8. Report to the School Board of Facility Leases, Joint-Use Activities, and Other Community Uses Processed by the Real Estate Department During the Second Fiscal Quarter 2012/2013
Approved, as submitted.
9. Request Approval of Agreement with Roof Engineering Associates, Inc. for Engineering and Contract Administration Services in Connection with Roof Refurbishment on Building 1 and the Adjoining Covered Walkways in the Amount of \$26,330 at Bardmoor Elementary School, Project No. 9045
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)
10. Request Approval of Agreement with EMK Consultants of Florida, Inc. for Engineering Services and Contract Administration Services to Repair And/Or Replace the Sanitary Sewer System in the Amount of \$89,995 at Clearwater High School, Project No. --9113
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)
11. Request Approval of Agreement with Fleischman and Garcia Architects and Planners, A.I.A., P.A. for Architectural Services and Contract Administration Services to Replace the Sanitary Sewer Pipes and Renovate Restrooms for Accessibility in the Amount of \$87,254 at Oakhurst Elementary School, Project No. 9084
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)
12. Request Approval of Agreement with Creative Contractors Inc. for Construction Management Services in Connection with Windows, Storefront, Exterior Doors and Roof Replacement for Building 1 and Painting of Campus in the Amount of \$2,080,207 at Osceola Fundamental High School, Project No.9049
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)
13. Request Approval of Agreement with Fleischman and Garcia Architects and Planners, A.I.A., P.A., for Architectural Services and Contract Administration Services to Replace the Sanitary Sewer Pipes and Renovate Restrooms for Accessibility in the Amount of \$87,031 at Ponce De Leon Elementary School, Project No. 9089
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)

14. Request Approval of Agreement with Creative Contractors Inc. for Construction Management Services in Connection with Replacement of Windows, Storefronts, Doors, Hardware Casework, Lighting and Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Systems Upgrades, and Setup of Temporary Portable Classrooms in the Amount of \$1,911,266 at Skyview Elementary School, Project No. 9027
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)
15. Request Approval of Agreement with Walbridge for Construction Management Services in Connection with Renovations to Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC), Electrical Distribution, Ceiling Grid Replacement, Lighting Replacement, Site Lighting Replacement and the Installation of Portable Classrooms for Use During Construction in the Amount of \$5,936,990 at Tarpon Springs Middle School, Project No. 9095
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)
16. Request Approval of Agreement with EMK Consultants of Florida, Inc. for Engineering Services and Contract Administration Services to Repair And/Or Replace the Sanitary Sewer in the Amount of \$62,195 at Tyrone Middle School, Project No. --9097
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)
17. Request Acceptance of Substantial Completion for Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning and Lighting Renovation as of October 19, 2012 at Southern Oak Elementary School, Project No. 9315
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)
18. Second Quarter Submittal of Change Order Summaries
Approved, as submitted.
19. Request Approval of Selling the District's Surplus and Obsolete Equipment on the PublicSurplus.Com Internet Auction Site
Approved, as submitted.
20. Request Approval of Vehicle Use Agreement to a Non-Profit Organization for a Period of One Year
Approved, as submitted.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)
21. Request Approval of Bids to Vendors at Prices in Bid Documents in Accordance with Bid Policies and Statutes
Approved, as amended during II. Amendments to the Agenda.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)

XII. Nonconsent

1. Request Denial of Relief to Imagine Pinellas County, LLC, in Response to the Informal Hearing Held on January 22, 2013

Dr. Grego stated that the children who attend this charter are our children; and, that this Board has the responsibility to care for and protect their rights to a high-quality education. Dr. Grego provided a brief history of this charter since it was first approved by the School Board; and, stated that his recommendation remains to deny relief and recommend a non-renewal of this charter. Comments followed by Mrs. Lerner, Ms. Flowers and Mrs. Cook. Mrs. Lerner clarified in her comments that she was not, at this time, voting to close the school but to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to send this to a hearing and then act upon the recommendation resulting from that hearing. Ms. Flowers emphasized the right that children have to a fair and equitable education; and, that the real question is whether or not these children are learning. Mrs. Cook voiced her agreement with both Mrs. Lerner and Ms. Flowers; and, stated that she will look at the facts that are returned from the administrative hearing.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Peggy O' Shea, Vice Chairperson
SECONDER:	Terry Krassner, 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 Policy 1140.01 – DELEGATION TO SUPERINTENDENT-DISCIPLINARY SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY AND PROBATIONARY DISMISSAL, Policy 3140.01 – DELEGATION TO SUPERINTENDENT DISCIPLINARY SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY, PROBATIONARY DISMISSAL, and RETURN TO ANNUAL CONTRACT, and Policy 4140.01 – DELEGATION TO SUPERINTENDENT- DISCIPLINARY SUSPENSION AND PROBATIONARY DISMISSAL (This is the First Reading.)

Dr. Grego and Ms. Dart provided a brief overview of the proposed policy amendments; and, stated that the Board had discussed these items during a previous workshop.

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

3. Request Approval of School Opening and Closing Times for 2013-2014

Dr. Grego presented the recommendation for opening and closing times for the 2013-14 school year; and, stated that he will continue to look at bell times to see where there might be improvements.

Mrs. Lerner stated that if the district could ever go to a two-tiered system and remain within our budget constraints, an effort could be made to improve the times for high school and middle school students.

Mrs. Krassner encouraged Dr. Grego to receive input from all stakeholder groups before recommending any changes. Dr. Grego shared that during his recent parent cadre meetings, parents seem to be equally split on this topic.

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

4. Request Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Regarding District Monitoring and Advisory Committee Between the Parties in the Bradley Case

Mr. Koperski stated that this recommendation was requested by those representing the plaintiffs in the Bradley case and that the Board should expect to see recommendations coming to them from DMAC for changes in the by-laws, which will take the form of policy changes.

(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #148)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Peggy O' Shea, Vice Chairperson
SECONDER:	Rene Flowers, Board Member
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XIII. New Business

A. *Items Introduced by Superintendent*

Dr. Grego's report included the following:

- 1) Shared that he attended the Scholastic Art Awards last Wednesday at Gibbs High School where nearly 230 Pinellas County students in seventh through twelfth grades were honored. Dr. Grego shared some details related to this award; and, stated that this is the nation's longest running, prestigious educational initiative supporting student achievement in visual and literary arts.
- 2) Shared that he attended the Skills USA competition last Wednesday and Thursday at pTEC - Clearwater and St. Petersburg campuses, where more than 500 students from Pinellas, Pasco and Hillsborough counties competed in the two-day competition. The winners from the regional competition will advance to the state competition to be held in Pensacola on April 28th.
- 3) Thanked the Education Foundation and the School Board for the Business Partnership Award reception held on January 30th at the Stavros Institute.
- 4) Shared that the Foundation will hold their annual Evening of Excellence at Ruth Eckerd Hall on February 25th. Dr. Grego stated that the winners at the county level will represent Pinellas in the state competition.
- 5) Shared that he attended an interesting event at Bauder Elementary School where the entire student body was involved in the Science Expo held on January 31st. Dr. Grego congratulated that school for all they are doing to promote reading, math and science.

- 6) Expressed his gratitude to Mayor Foster and the City Council for St. Petersburg for honoring our schools in that area of the county that received a school grade of "A" or improved their rating from the previous year. Dr. Grego shared that the principals and assistant principals from those schools received gift bags in recognition of their hard work. Dr. Grego thanked the Mayor for identifying the importance of a quality education in his community.
- 7) Stated that he appeared in front of the Tampa Bay Times editorial board yesterday. Dr. Grego expressed his appreciation to the editorial board for providing him the opportunity to share information on programs and initiatives being put in place to expand learning opportunities, as well as plans for construction that will take place in our district. Dr. Grego welcomed back Cara Fitzpatrick after giving birth to a baby girl.
- 8) Shared with the Board a Proclamation provided to the district by Mayor Foster.

B. *Items Introduced by School Board Attorney*

Mr. Koperski's report included the following:

- 1) Stated that with the Board's vote today on Imagine St. Petersburg, they are now fully in their quasi-judicial capacity; and, should not have conversation with any district administration or staff or Imagine representatives regarding the matter going before DOAH. Mr. Koperski will be forwarding an e-mail to the Board to expand on this directive.

C. *Items Introduced by the Board*

Ms. Flowers - 1) Thanked the Board Members and Dr. Grego for their support in the acknowledgements of the passing of Vyrle Davis. Ms. Flowers stated that Mr. Davis was a wonderful man who was all about education. 2) Shared that we just lost another icon in the passing of Elder Clarence Welch, uncle of County Commissioner Ken Welch. 3) Shared that she has been working with a group of middle school girls to expand their abilities in the areas of speech and writing. Ms. Flowers shared that their presentations will be made on February 19th at the Enoch Davis Center. 4) Shared that she served on a panel with Dr. Ray Arsenault and others, dealing with the history of civil rights and areas of discrimination that may be continuing. 5) Thanked staff for having responded so quickly to her many requests. 6) Complimented the Principal, the staff and Area Superintendent for Bay Point Middle for doing a wonderful job in getting control of the situation at that school.

Mrs. Wikle - 1) Stated that she had forwarded to the Board through Mrs. Beaty an article contained in the Bauer newsletter regarding dual enrollment. Mrs. Wikle announced that Dr. Grego and she will be going this evening to the German-American Chamber of Commerce where there will be a presentation on dual enrollment and where it is headed in Florida. 2) Stated that the climate survey is coming out today for 48 hours. Mrs. Wikle stated that she wants to be sure all employees are aware of this; and, questioned whether there are members of the district's staff that will not have the opportunity to complete the survey. Dr. Grego stated that all should have access to the survey. 3) Questioned whether the state compensates us for Common Core training. Dr. Grego said they do. 4) Gave a "shout-out" to Mr. Bessette and the Transportation Department team for their commitment to doing what the Board has asked in getting more dollars out of transportation and into the classroom, while keeping our students safe. 5) Complimented the Pro Ed Development Department for the improvements made in the evaluation system for teachers.

Mrs. Krassner - 1) Shared that she attended the Future Business Leadership of American event at The First Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Krassner stated that it is always amazing to see the teacher involvement and this great group of students. Mrs. Krassner thanked the many judges who were there to help make it successful. 2) Stated that she is excited about the Summer Bridge Program, a program that will make a difference in so many of our students. 3) Acknowledged the passing of Vyrle Davis. Mrs. Krassner stated that another icon of the district, Mr. Hugh Kriever, passed away; and, that the funerals for both gentlemen were held on the same day. Mrs. Krassner stated that the our thoughts and prayers go out to those families.

Ms. Clark - 1) Stated that the presentation made earlier in this meeting by the Student Rights & Responsibilities representatives made her wonder how many of our schools have not yet received updated technology, Smartboards, etc. Ms. Clark requested an update on this issue. 2) Stated that the article on the Summer Bridge Program in this morning's paper stated that Ms. Flowers represents a specific area of schools. Ms. Clark stated that she wanted to clarify for the public that all Board Members, once elected, represent all the schools and students of this county.

Mrs. Lerner - 1) Referencing a comment earlier regarding the climate surveys, stressed the need to assure employees that this survey is confidential, that all employees should have the opportunity to complete the survey and that the employees should feel free to put down opportunities they see that need improvement. Mrs. Lerner stated that for many years, bus drivers, food service personnel, etc., were not involved in the survey; and, that some of those employees do not have access to computers in order to complete an electronic survey. Mrs. Lerner requested that the survey also be made available in paper copy; and, requested that the survey possibly be extended beyond the two days. 2) Referencing the attendance issue expressed by Kim Black, requested that the Board receive the updated data by school for their further review and discussion. 3) Announced that there is finally a working icon on our website for our television channel. Mrs. Lerner stated that there is much good information provided through our television station and that it is a great source for training. 4) Encouraged the teachers not to let VAM be their identity.

Mrs. O'Shea - 1) Reaffirmed Ms. Clark's clarification that the Board Members, once elected, represent the entire district. 2) Shared that several years ago, she worked with Vyrle Davis on various committees following his retirement. Mrs. O'Shea stated that it was through Mr. Davis that she met Elder Clarence Welch. Mrs. O'Shea stated that they were both very interesting; and, that it was her pleasure to meet and work with them both.

Mrs. Cook - 1) Shared that it was wonderful to have the opportunity to celebrate the lives of both Mr. Davis and Mr. Kriever this past weekend. Mrs. Cook stated that it was also very interesting to see many of our retired school personnel who shared how their lives were impacted by either Mr. Davis or Mr. Kriever. 2) Shared that she represented the Board last evening on the website redo committee. Mrs. Cook requested that Board Members wishing to have input in this initiative forward their comments to her. Mrs. Lerner shared that when she goes to many of the school websites to view their school improvement plan, she finds that the plans are only available through the state's website. Mrs. Lerner stated that her other suggestion would be that a link to the wonderful magnet and career program brochures be placed on the elementary, middle or high school's websites. 3) Stated that there was a cohort

study performed regarding the arts participation and performance; and, that the Board had received the study electronically. Mrs. Cook stated that this document demonstrates why the Board supported the referendum. Mrs. Cook shared that additional information may be found at www.cfaefl.org.

D. Review of Board Requests

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

- 1) Efforts will continue to compress bell times;
- 2) An update will be provided to the Board regarding the schools still in need of a technology update, i.e., Smartboards;
- 3) The climate survey will be provided in a paper form for those groups of employees, bus drivers, cafeteria workers, plant operators, etc., who do not have access to a computer copy; and,
- 4) A follow-up will be done regarding the student attendance issue.

E. School Board Meeting Evaluation

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

Pluses

- R F on time
- Chair's handling of crowd
- Behavior of kids during meeting
- Efficient meeting
- More targeted Board Reports
- Heads Up from Superintendent on important issues

Opportunities

- Sign-up glitches

XIV. Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the School Board, this meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Chairperson

Superintendent and Ex Officio Secretary

Public Comments

There were no speakers signed up to speak during this time.