

## **Regular School Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, September, 24, 2013 10:00 AM**

**School Administration Building**

301 Fourth Street SW  
Largo, FL 33770

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### **Public Comment**

Prior to the presentations, Mrs. Cook shared with the public that they may speak to the Board at this time on topics of a general nature. Mrs. Cook also shared that two Board Members, Mrs. O'Shea and Mrs. Wikle, will be arriving soon.

The following individuals presented their comments to the Board:

#### **1. Melinda Lenehan**

Ms. Lenehan addressed the Board to share that her son attends Thurgood Marshall Fundamental Middle School; and, that she believes that her son's IEP (Individual Education Plan) is not being followed by the principal and staff at that school. Ms. Lenehan suggested that ESE (Exceptional Student Education) issues be added to the principal's evaluation form.

#### **2. Lenore Faulkner**

Ms. Faulkner addressed the Board to share information regarding her employment history and health issues she has experienced. Ms. Faulkner stated that she is still waiting for the lottery dollars to be provided to education.

#### **3. Chris Noell**

Mr. Noell addressed the Board to share that the Board of Adjustments has approved the construction of a brewery within 750' from Ozona Elementary School; and, that the district was asked if they would object to a brewery with a tasting room being within the 750' rule. Mr. Noell stated that the Board of Adjustment was asked if they contacted the district and that their response was yes, with no objections to the project. Mr. Noell stated that the district has been misled on the scope of this project; and, that it is actually going to be a full size restaurant and pub in close proximity to Ozona Elementary. Mr. Noell stated that the only appeal now available to the district is through the courts.

Dr. Grego stated that we are not endorsing this in any way; and, requested that Mr. Bessette share what information he has with the Board.

Mr. Bessette shared that he did receive a call from a group in early summer who wanted to construct a brewery; that he presented several questions to this group in order to receive clarification as to the plans; and, that his response to this group was that he needed more information before he could provide them with a final answer on behalf of the district. Mr. Bessette stated that this project went through the Board of Adjustments which is very different from the council that he sits on; and, that he has a meeting tomorrow with the representatives from Tampa Bay Brewery to see if there is any compromise that can be reached between the two parties. Mrs. Cook requested that the Board receive an update on this.

## 4. Mark Klutho

Mr. Klutho shared comments with the Board regarding Common Core and stated that Dr. Grego is here to destroy public education. Mr. Klutho stated that our lighting is incorrect in the Administration Building which is not allowing money to be spent wisely.

**There were no additional presentations from the audience; and, this session ended at 10:17 a.m.**

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### I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 AM on September 24, 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	
William Corbett	Pinellas County Schools	Deputy Superintendent	Present	
Michael Bessette	Pinellas County Schools	Associate Superintendent/Operations	Present	
Kevin Smith	Pinellas County Schools	Associate Superintendent/Finance Business Services	Present	
David Koperski	Pinellas County Schools	Board Attorney	Present	
Carol J. Cook	Pinellas County Schools	Chairperson	Present	
Peggy O' Shea	Pinellas County Schools	Vice Chairperson	Present	
Rene Flowers	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Robin L. Wikle	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Janet R. Clark	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Terry Krassner	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	
Linda S. Lerner	Pinellas County Schools	Board Member	Present	

### II. Amendments to the Agenda

At this time, Dr. Grego shared that Consent Item #12 - Request Approval of Renewal Agreement for Bridging The Achievement Gap at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church for 2013-2014 reads correctly in the agenda item; but, that the date within the contract should be corrected to read 2014, rather than 2015.

### III. Invocation

1. ***Pastor Stephen Law, Harborside Christian Church, 2200 Marshall Street, Safety Harbor, FL***

The Invocation was delivered by Pastor Law.

### IV. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance followed the Invocation.

#### A. ***National Anthem***

##### ***Ms. Dawne Eubanks***

Ms. Eubanks was not present. Therefore, the Board and the audience joined the PCCA (Pinellas County Center for the Arts) Chorus in singing the National Anthem.

##### ***Video: Passing Along a Passion for Performance Art***

A video was shown highlighting Ms. Charlotte Johnson, a former John Hopkins and PCCA student, who is serving as the director of dance instruction for students at John Hopkins Middle School.

### V. Introduction of Professional and Community Organization Reps

#### ***Melanie Marquez Parra - Public Information Officer***

Ms. Marquez Parra introduced the following individuals: Nelly Henjes, PESPA; Bruce Proud, PCTA/PESPA; Rick Brant and Sonya Roundtree, SEIU/Florida Public Services Union; Kevin McGevna, PBA; Cindy Ehrenzeller, PCCPTA; Cara Fitzpatrick, The Tampa Bay Times; Anastasia Dawson, Tampa Tribune; and, Pam Settle, Good Living Magazine.

### VI. Presentation by Student Rights and Responsibilities

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

#### A. ***Largo High School***

Summer Silveus and Joewun Bee, Students Rights and Responsibilities representatives from Largo 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. Mark Klutho

*Consent Item #18 - Request Acceptance of Substantial Completion for Electrical Renovations (Building 5) and Lighting Renovations (Building 19) as of August 23, 2013 at pTEC Clearwater Campus, Project No. 9025*

Mr. Klutho stated that the lighting proposed for this building is incorrect.

*Nonconsent Items #6 - Request Approval of Negotiated Salary Agreement with the Pinellas County Teachers Association (PCTA); #7 - Request Approval of Negotiated Salary Agreements with the Pinellas Educational Support Professionals Association (PESPA); and, #8 - Request Approval of Negotiated Salary Agreement with the Sun Coast Police Benevolent Association, Inc. (PBA)*

Mr. Klutho stated that the employees represented in these groups do not get paid what they should because of the stupid spending done by the district in areas similar to Consent Item #18.

## 2. Bruce Proud, PCTA/PESPA

*Consent Item #6 - Request Approval of the Following Special Projects: D. Race to the Top-District Grant \$10,000,000.00*

Mr. Proud addressed the Board to say that the timeline for submitting the Race to the Top grant is insufficient to provide a review and sign-off by PCTA leadership, Ms. Kim Black. Mr. Proud requested that a better timeline be implemented in the future; and, that sustainability is a huge issue.

*Nonconsent Items #2 - Request Approval to Extend the Humana Health Insurance Policy Through December 31, 2014; and, #6 Request Approval of Negotiated Salary Agreement with the Pinellas County Teachers Association (PCTA)*

Mr. Proud stated that the recommendation from PCTA/PESPA is to approve these items and expressed concern that future laws may impact negotiations and make it difficult to provide an equal distribution of money throughout the salary schedules. Mr. Proud stated that points of negotiations provided opportunities for employees to feel that the agreements are not fair.

## VIII. Special Order Agenda

## 1. Presentation by the Pinellas Education Foundation, Presented by Mr. Terry Boehm, President

Mr. David Barnes, Executive Director for Career, Technical and Adult Education, thanked Achieva Credit Union for their longstanding partnership with Northeast High School and the Academy of Finance. Mr. Barnes introduced Mr. Boehm who introduced Ms. Dawn Dixon, Vice President of Marketing, Achieva Credit Union, who presented to the Board a check in the amount of \$25,000.00 from the 2012 Box Car Rally. These funds will be awarded to teachers through the Pinellas Education Foundation's Classroom Grants program. Ms. Dixon, Mr. Boehm and others were greeted and thanked by the School Board Members.

## IX. Adoption of Agenda

PULL: Consent Item #6 - Special Project D -Race to the Top-District Grant \$10,000,000.00

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Terry Krassner, Board Member
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Rene Flowers, Board Member
<b>AYES:</b>	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

## X. Unfinished Business

1. Recommendation to Adopt the Recommended Order of the Administrative Law Judge to Dismiss Belinda S. Ivey, School Bus Driver, Transportation Department, Pinellas County Schools

Dr. Grego introduced this item.

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

2. Public Hearing to Consider the Amendment to Policy 2110-DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN (This is the Second Reading.)

Dr. Grego provided a brief introduction to this item.

The following individual signed up to address the Board on this item:

Mark Klutho

Mr. Klutho was not present when called to the podium.

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

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

Dr. Grego stated that this is the second reading for the proposed amendment to policy; and, requested that Mr. Lawrence introduce the item.

Mr. Bill Lawrence provided an overview of the proposed amendment.

At this time, the following two speakers addressed the Board:

Tammy Kaplan

Ms. Kaplan addressed the Board to ask that they not eliminate the feeder pattern between Jamerson Elementary School to Thurgood Marshall Fundamental Middle School.

Derek Kilborn

Mr. Kilborn addressed the Board to ask that they not eliminate the feeder pattern between Jamerson Elementary School to Thurgood Marshall Fundamental Middle School.

Following the speakers, the School Board Members began their discussion on this item.

**It was moved by Mrs. Krassner and seconded by Mrs. Lerner to amend the motion to allow the extension of the feeder pattern from Douglas Jamerson Elementary to Thurgood Marshall Fundamental Middle School for the current fourth- and fifth-grade students by reinstating the deleted paragraph on Page 7 of the Procedures for District Application Programs, and by revising the end of the paragraph to read "feeder pattern priority for the 2014-2015 and 2015 - 2016 school years; thereafter, this paragraph shall be null and void without the need for further Board action," as well as making the same changes to the chart on pages 26 and 27 of the Procedures document. Discussion followed by Board Members and Mr. Lawrence. This motion to amend failed with a 3-4 vote, Ms. Clark, Ms. Flowers, Mrs. O'Shea and Mrs. Wikle voting against.**

**It was moved by Mrs. Krassner and seconded by Mrs. Lerner to amend the motion to allow the extension of the feeder pattern from Douglas Jamerson Elementary to Thurgood Marshall for the current fifth-grade students by reinstating the deleted paragraph on Page 7 of the Procedures for District Application Programs, and by revising the end of the paragraph to read "feeder pattern priority for the 2014-2015 school year; thereafter, this paragraph shall be null and void without the need for further Board action," as well as making the same changes to the chart on pages 26 and 27 of the Procedures document. This motion to amend passed with a 5-2 vote, Mrs. O'Shea and Mrs. Wikle voting against.**

Ms. Flowers stated that the wording in the current brochure that caused this concern needs to be removed.

Mrs. Wikle stressed the importance of providing clear and concise information regarding this change to the parents at both schools.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robin L Wikle, Board Member
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Rene Flowers, Board Member
<b>AYES:</b>	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

4. Public Hearing to Consider the Amendment to Policy 5112- ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS  
(This is the Second Reading.)

Mr. Bill Lawrence, Director of Student Assignment, provided a brief overview of the proposed amendment.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Terry Krassner, Board Member
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Janet R. Clark, Board Member
<b>AYES:</b>	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

5. Public Hearing to Consider the Amendment to Policy 5120-ASSIGNMENT WITHIN DISTRICT (This is the Second Reading.)

Mr. Bill Lawrence, Director of Student Assignment, provided a brief overview of the proposed amendment.

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

## XI. Consent

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

1. Approval of Minutes: to Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 10, 2013; And, the Final Public Hearing on the 2013/14 Millage Rates and District Budget  
Approved as submitted.
2. Request Approval of Personnel Recommendations  
Approved as submitted.  
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
3. Request Approval of the Administrative Appointment of the Assistant Principal, Tyrone Middle School  
Appointment approved - Jayme Joslyn  
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
4. Request Approval of the Master Inservice Plan (MIP) for 2013/2014  
Approved as submitted.
5. Request Approval of the Redeveloped Professional Development System  
Approved as submitted.



6. Request Approval of the Following Special Projects:  
Approved, as follows:
  - A. Amendment to the Agreement (revised language) with the Department of Children and Families \$1,008,000.00
  - B. Renewal of Agreement with Catapult Learning \$500,000.00
  - C. Renewal of Contract with Lindamood-Bell Learning Processes \$91,000.00  
(Copy/copies to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)

**Special Project D. Race to the Top-District Grant \$10,000,000.00 - Pulled for further discussion by Mrs. Lerner. Please refer to XII. Consent Agenda - Items Pulled #1.**
7. Request Approval of Memorandum of Agreement Between the School Board of Pinellas, Florida and the Kids Healthcare Foundation for the Provision of Services to the Uninsured and Under-Insured Children  
Approved as submitted.  
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
8. Request Approval of Budget Amendment No. 10 (June 2013) to the District's 2012/13 Budget  
Approved as submitted.
9. Request Approval of the Financial Statements for the Month Ending June 30, 2013 for Fiscal Year 2012/13  
Approved as submitted.
10. Request Adoption of the Investment Portfolio Financial Statements for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2013  
Approved as submitted.
11. Request Approval of the Principals' Yearly Financial Report for the Year Ending June 30, 2013  
Approved as submitted.
12. Request Approval of Renewal Agreement for Bridging the Achievement Gap at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church for 2013-2014  
Approved as submitted.  
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
13. Request Approval of Staffing Agreement with Juvenile Welfare Board (JWB)  
Approved as submitted.  
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
14. Request Approval of the 2013-14 School Improvement Plans  
Approved as submitted.

15. Request Approval of Agreement with Mason Blau & Associates, Inc. for Architectural and Contract Administration Services in Connection with the Construction of a Free Standing, One Story, 2,150 Square Foot Building to be Used as a Health Center Clinic, in the Amount of \$45,322 at Pinellas Park High School, Project No. A913  
Approved as submitted.  
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
16. Request Acceptance of Substantial Completion for Sewer Replacement and Restroom Renovations (Buildings 1, 2, 4 and 8) as of August 12, 2013 at Oakhurst Elementary School, Project No. 9084  
Approved as submitted.  
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
17. Request Acceptance of Substantial Completion for Sewer Replacement and Restroom Renovations (Buildings 1 - 6) as of August 12, 2013 at Ponce De Leon Elementary School, Project No. 9089  
Approved as submitted.  
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
18. Request Acceptance of Substantial Completion for Electrical Renovations (Building 5) and Lighting Renovations (Building 19) as of August 23, 2013 at PTEC Clearwater Campus, Project No. 9025  
Approved as submitted.  
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
19. Request Approval of a 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 #151.)
20. Request Approval of Selling the District's Surplus and Obsolete Equipment on the PublicSurplus.Com Internet Auction Site  
Approved as submitted.
21. 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 Supplemental Minute Book #151.)

## **XII. Consent Agenda - Items Pulled**

### **1. Consent Item #6 - Special Project D -Race to the Top-District Grant \$10,000,000.00**

Mrs. Lerner, having pulled this item, stated that she would have preferred that the timeline would have allowed the employee union time for a full review and signature prior to this item coming to the Board. Mrs. Lerner questioned whether action by the Board could be delayed to allow for the review to be performed by PCTA.

Discussion followed by Dr. Grego, Dr. Jan Kucerik and School Board Members.

Mrs. Lerner stated that she would still like to see the staffing model for assistance provided to schools beyond the regular staffing model, i.e., Title I dollars, etc.

Mrs. Cook requested that PCTA have the opportunity to review this grant proposal prior to it being mailed on October 2nd.

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

### XIII. Nonconsent

1. Setting a Public Hearing and Authorizing the Advertisement of the Public Hearing to Consider the Amendment to Policy 8740-BONDING (This is the First Reading.)

Mr. Koperski stated that this is the first reading for this amendment; and, that it has been realized that it would be less expensive for the district to insure the Board Members under the district policy, rather than having an individual bond written for each of the Board Members.

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

2. Request Approval to Extend the Humana Health Insurance Policy through December 31, 2014

Mr. Ted Pafundi, Director of Risk Management, provided a brief overview of the proposed policy.

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

3. Request Approval to Extend the MetLife Voluntary Benefits Program through December 31, 2014

Mr. Ted Pafundi, Director of Risk Management, provided a brief overview of the proposed benefits.

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

4. Request Approval of Negotiated Salary Agreement with the Florida Public Services Union (FPSU)

Dr. Grego introduced this item and thanked the entire bargaining leadership, co-chaired by Dr. Bill Corbett and Dr. Ron Ciranna, for their efforts.

Dr. Ciranna shared that members of this bargaining group will receive a 5% increase, retroactive back to July 1, 2013.

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

5. Request Approval for All Non-Instructional Employees Including Administrators, Professional/Technical/Supervisory, and Non-Represented Support Staff for a Salary Increase

Dr. Corbett introduced this item and stated that the members of this employee group will receive an average of 5% increase, retroactive back to July 1, 2013.

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

6. Request Approval of Negotiated Salary Agreement with the Pinellas County Teachers Association (PCTA)

Dr. Ciranna introduced this item.

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

7. Request Approval of Negotiated Salary Agreements with the Pinellas Educational Support Professionals

Dr. Corbett introduced this item. Ms. Nelly Henjes, President of PESPA, addressed the Board to thank them for support of this increase for support personnel. The members of this employee group will receive a 5% increase, retroactive back to July 1, 2013.

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

8. Request Approval of Negotiated Salary Agreement with the Sun Coast Police Benevolent Association, Inc. (PBA)

Dr. Ciranna introduced this item.

Officer Kevin McGevna addressed the Board to thank them for this agreement.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robin L Wikle, Board Member
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Janet R. Clark, Board Member
<b>AYES:</b>	Flowers, Wikle, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

## XIV. New Business

### A. *Items Introduced by Superintendent*

Dr. Grego's report included the following:

- 1) Shared that Mr. Reuben Hepburn, Principal of Dunedin High School, was recently presented with a mock check in the amount of \$220,000, representative of 10,969 volunteer hours provided to the school by 153 different volunteer Dunedin High alumnus. Dr. Grego reported that the number of individuals volunteering in our schools is growing.
- 2) Extended kudos to staff at both Sexton Elementary and Morgan Fitzgerald Middle schools for their fundraising for the United Negro College Fund. Dr. Grego shared that Sexton Elementary employees raised the most money for a district elementary school, and Morgan Fitzgerald employees won in the middle school category, as well as in the "most raised by a school principal and site coordinator" category. Dr. Grego stated that Pinellas County Schools staff raised \$5,153 for UNCF during the 2013 campaign; and, that these funds will be awarded to three Pinellas County students in \$1,000 scholarships to be used for their post-secondary education.
- 3) Shared that the deadline for submitting nominees for this year's Support Employee of the Year is October 7th. Dr. Grego stated that the finalists will be celebrated at a breakfast in January.
- 4) Encouraged all to visit the exhibit of photos featuring the work of our students from Melrose Elementary, John Hopkins Middle School and Lakewood High School. Dr. Grego shared that the exhibit, "Through Our Eyes: Midtown and Beyond" runs through October 6th at the Studio@620 in downtown St. Petersburg.
- 5) Reminded parents that our district continues to partner with InSync Education, an online educational resource for students and families in multiple languages. Dr. Grego stated that InSync is available to families 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and, that it may be accessed through our website.
- 6) Extended his appreciation to Mr. Kevin Hendrick, Principal of Northeast High School, and to his staff and students for their efforts in providing the venue for the recent tribute to Mr. Lee Benjamin.
- 7) Shared that he continues to visit several schools and that the most recent visits were at Leila Davis, Sandy Lane, Ponce De Leon and Mildred Helms elementary schools.
- 8) Stated that yesterday he had shared with the Board a few documents submitted by the Governor. Dr. Grego stated that one is a letter to Gary Chartrand, Chair of the State Board of Education; another is an Executive Order issued by the Governor; and, the third is a letter from Governor Scott to Secretary Arne Duncan, all three pieces centering around the

following three major points: Calling for an end of the fiscal agent relationship with the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) and to issue a competitive solicitation to select Florida's next state assessment; Call to direct the Commissioner of Education to immediately initiate a process to obtain public input on Florida's currently adopted English Language Arts and Mathematics standards to identify any opportunities to strengthen or risks for federal intrusion in Florida's standards; and, the third calling for the Board of Education to take action to not adopt any peripheral materials in the area of Common Core. Dr. Grego encouraged the Board to take time to review these documents.

9) Shared that a smaller group of superintendents has been formed to look at teacher evaluation/pay for performance, to look at the assessments being administered to students and, to take a close look at school grades. Dr. Grego stated that he will be serving on the school grades committee; and, that the purpose of these committees will be to provide this state and its Governor with some unified clear direction in these areas.

**B. *Items Introduced by School Board Attorney***

Mr. Koperski stated he had no report.

**C. *Items Introduced by the Board***

Ms. Flowers - 1) Shared that she attended the memorial services for the father of Commissioner Ken Welch. Ms. Flowers thanked all who assisted her as to how to best commemorate that individual. 2) Shared that she attended the annual Youth Summit at the Childs Park YMCA where there were three different seminars offered to the students, one led by a student from Thurgood Marshall Fundamental Middle School. 3) Shared that she was excited to be present at the opening of the new Wal-Mart Neighborhood Store in the old Sweet Bay Plaza. Ms. Flowers thanked those responsible and shared that she encouraged the management of the store to seek out their employees through pTEC - St. Petersburg. 4) Acknowledged the agreement approved in this agenda between Pinellas County Schools and Kids Healthcare Foundation that ensures children will have the health insurance they need. 5) Stated that preparations are taking place for this year's Neighbor Neighbor program, a partnership with the St. Petersburg YMCA to meet the needs of families during the holidays. 6) Shared that Representative Rouson was able to receive additional dollars to help with this year's Day of Service project and that those applications are available online.

Mrs. Wikle - 1) Shared that she saw a sign the other day that read, "Thank a teacher. They are there for the outcome, not for the income." Mrs. Wikle stated that it was great to be a part of the vote that provided additional income to the teachers. 2) Congratulated Dr. Grego for his one-year anniversary in the district coming up tomorrow. Mrs. Wikle stated that her vote on that agreement was one of her better votes and thanked Dr. Grego for his dedication. 3) Shared that she visited Westgate Elementary School and gave kudos to the staff and principal. 4) Shared that she will not be participating in this year's Achieva Box Car Derby since she will be attending parents' weekend at Florida State University. 5) Placed a challenge to all to become involved in this year's Take Stock in Children 5K.

Mrs. Krassner - 1) Thanked Mr. Kevin Hendrick, Principal of Northeast, for hosting the recent tribute to her father, Mr. Lee Benjamin. 2) Thanked the Board Members for agreeing to disagree in Board actions.

Ms. Clark - 1) Stated that it felt wonderful to be able to provide raises to all employees this year. Ms. Clark stated that she hopes this is just the beginning, not the end. 2) Shared that she attended the recent Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee meeting and that the discussions by the students were great. Ms. Clark will email to the Board the topics that the students would like to discuss with the Board at the upcoming joint meeting.

Mrs. Lerner - 1) Stated that she will participate in the Take Stock in Children 5K as long as it provides an opportunity for those wishing to walk, rather than run. 2) Stated that the Redeveloped Professional Development System and the Master InService Plan that were approved by the Board in this meeting were very detailed documents. Mrs. Lerner, referring to pages 303-306 - Moodle training, stated that she has asked before to have a list of all courses offered be placed in one location on our website, listed by the semester they are offered. Mrs. Lerner shared input she received from teachers at a couple of schools she visited regarding what in professional development is most helpful to them. 3) Stated that the Board had received an email regarding the issue of head lice and that included in the email, was information from the CDC which states that the child doesn't need to be sent home from school until the end of that school day and may return to class once appropriate treatment has been administered. Mrs. Lerner requested that the Board agree to ask that Dr. Grego and staff look at this and come back to the Board with his recommendation. Board Members agreed to this request presented by Mrs. Lerner. 4) Stated that the event to honor Mr. Benjamin was a very positive program.

Mrs. O'Shea - 1) Shared that at the recent Pinellas Planning Council meeting, Mr. Kennedy from St. Pete council asked if the Board will be attending the upcoming Rio Vista dedication. Mrs. O'Shea stated that the information has been placed on the Board Members' calendar. 2) Stated that Dr. Grego will celebrate his first anniversary as our Superintendent by being the guest speaker at tomorrow's Tiger Bay Club meeting. 3) Shared that one of speakers today talked about the brewery near Ozona Elementary and the trail. Mrs. O'Shea stated that the bigger issue is that we, as a district, need to identify a better way of collecting the information and all facts from the various groups around the county on construction and development projects in order to accurately respond to the impact those projects could have on our schools. Mrs. O'Shea stressed the importance of this in light of the fact that the representation on the Pinellas Planning Council by the school district may not continue.

Mrs. Cook - 1) Encouraged all who can to attend the Midtown Through Our Eyes display at Studio@620. 2) Shared that she had not received any concerns or questions pertaining the proposed Consortium Legislative Platform that was distributed to the Board Members. Mrs. Cook stated this platform will be placed on the October 8th Board agenda for formal action by the Board Members. 3) Stated that she cannot think of a more appropriate recognition for Mr. Benjamin than what took place this past Friday evening. Mrs. Cook commended Mr. Kevin Hendrick and his students for hosting this event at Northeast High School.

**D. Review of Board Requests**

Dr. Corbett offered the following summary of requests presented during this meeting:

- 1) Staff will review how school staffing models are reported.
- 2) Staff will compile a list of all training courses available to staff and place that list in one location on our website.
- 3) Staff will review the issue of lice and how this is presently handled by the district.

**E. School Board Meeting Evaluation**

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

*Pluses*

- Followed thru for clarification
- Respectful disagreement
- Good meeting

*Opportunities*

- National Anthem issue
- Speaker sign-up issues

**XV. Adjournment**

There being no further business to be brought before the School Board, this meeting adjourned at 12:51 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Superintendent and Ex Officio Secretary

**Public Comments**

Following the adjournment of the meeting, the following individuals presented their comments:

1. Katinia Manes

Ms. Manes addressed the Board to request that they review the district's policy related to lice; and, to express her concern with events taking place at her son's school.

Dr. Grego requested that Ms. Manes speak with Mr. Poth.

**This session ended at 12:55 p.m.**