

Regular School Board Meeting

Tuesday, November, 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 at this time on topics of a general nature.

The following individuals presented their comments to the Board:

1. Lenore Faulkner
Ms. Faulkner addressed the Board to share that she continues to be the advocate for a world class career and technology program at Pinellas Park Middle School. Ms. Faulkner also shared information regarding her health issues that she experienced during her tenure in Pinellas County Schools.
2. Melinda Lenehan
Ms. Lenehan addressed the Board to say that quality teachers need to be placed at Thurgood Marshall Fundamental Middle School; to say that her son has been placed in the wrong level of math; and, to say that her son should not be used to teach teachers how to work with children with Autism.
3. Daniele Schreier
Ms. Schreier addressed the Board to share that she is a student at St. Petersburg College; and, to provide a brief overview of a course she has designed and will be presenting to the State of Florida that will benefit students and businesses.
4. Bobby Barnes
Mr. Barnes addressed the Board to share that he is part of a group that wants to bring the Greater Pinellas County Fair, a true fair not a carnival, to residents of Pinellas County. Mr. Barnes provided an overview of what the fair will provide to the community.
5. Marjorie Hynish
Ms. Hynish addressed the Board to share that she, too, is part of a group that wants to bring the Greater Pinellas County Fair to residents of Pinellas County. Ms. Hynish stated that a fair is not a fair without the involvement of students; and, that students will have the opportunity to participate in competitions of various kinds.
6. Tim Caddell
Mr. Caddell addressed the Board to share that the City of Pinellas Park is in support of the fair initiative described by the two prior speakers. Mr. Caddell stated that the leadership of the City of Pinellas Park had signed on in hope that this endeavor will be successful.
7. Mark Klutho
Mr. Klutho addressed the Board to provide his comments on various newspapers articles.

There were no additional presentations from the audience; and, this session ended at 10:23 p.m.

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

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 AM on November 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	
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, the Dr. Grego shared the following addition and change to the agenda subsequent to its publication seven days ago:

- 1) Consent Item #2 - Revised job description for the Assistant Superintendent, Technology and Information Systems, has been added.

2) Consent Item #3, The name of an individual has been added to page 78 (electronic agenda) transferring the leadership role and responsibilities of the present Assistant Superintendent to that of the position of Systems Administrator, currently a vacant position but one that is critical and important to our district.

Mrs. Cook stated that, as Chairperson, she has found good cause to amend the agenda accordingly.

III. Invocation

Pastor Bob Martin, St. Paul United Methodist Church, 1199 Highland Ave., Largo, FL 33770

The Invocation was delivered by Pastor Martin.

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance followed the Invocation.

National Anthem

Maya Berrios, Northeast High School

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Ms. Berrios performed the National Anthem.

Video: Jacobson Culinary Arts Academy Provides Ingredients to Inspire Next Generation of Chefs

A video was shown highlighting the Jacobson Culinary Arts Academy at Tarpon Springs High School and its effort to involve nationally and locally recognized chefs in the instruction of the culinary arts students.

V. Introduction of Professional and Community Organization Reps

Melaine Marquez Parra - Public Information Officer

Ms. Marquez Parra introduced the following individuals: Nelly Henjes, PESPA; Kimberly Black, PCTA; Bruce Proud, PCTA/PESPA; Rick Brant and Sonya Roundtree, SEIU/Florida Public Services Union; Cindy Ehrenzeller, PCCPTA; Margaret Griffin, Pinellas Arts for a Complete Education Coalition; Cara Fitzpatrick, The Tampa Bay Times; and, Anastasia Dawson, The Tampa Tribune.

VI. Presentation by Student Rights and Responsibilities

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

Northeast High School

Miranda Rothenberger and Matthew Stenger, Students Rights and Responsibilities representatives from Northeast 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. Luann Schecht
Nonconsent #6 - Request Approval of the Charter Application for Academy by the Sea Charter School
Ms. Schecht, chair of the board for the proposed Academy by the Sea Charter School, addressed the Board to wish Mrs. Krassner a happy birthday; and, to share the vision and mission of the Academy by the Sea Charter School. Ms. Schecht shared that this charter, if approved, will provide a school for those families living on the beaches; and, thanked the district's staff for working with the charter board as they prepared this application.
2. Jim Parent
Nonconsent #6 - Request Approval of the Charter Application for Academy by the Sea Charter School
Mr. Parent, St. Petersburg Beach City Commissioner, addressed the Board to indicate his support for the application before the School Board; and, stated that this school will provide an alternative for a public school for the children living along the beaches. Mr. Parent shared that the entire Commission is in support of this charter.
3. Steve McFarlin
Nonconsent #6 - Request Approval of the Charter Application for Academy by the Sea Charter School
Mr. McFarlin, Mayor of St. Petersburg Beach, addressed the Board to convey his support and that of the Commission for the proposed Academy by the Sea Charter School.
4. Nicole Wilson
Nonconsent #6 - Request Approval of the Charter Application for Academy by the Sea Charter School
Ms. Wilson, Director of Montessori By The Sea, addressed the Board to encourage the School Board's support of the charter's application; and, to read some comments sent by the Vice Mayor of St. Petersburg Beach also in support of the charter application.
5. Mark Klutho
Consent Items #11, #12, #13, #14, #15, #17
Mr. Klutho addressed the Board to say that the projects listed within these items are a waste of money.
Nonconsent Items #4, #5, #6, #7
Mr. Klutho addressed the Board to say that a speaker addressing the Board on behalf of the Academy by the Sea Charter application used incorrect grammar and questioned what kind of education could the students possibly receive from this charter school. Mr. Klutho spoke against the Board supporting any charter school.
6. Melinda Pletcher
Nonconsent #6 - Request Approval of the Charter Application for Academy by the Sea Charter School
Ms. Pletcher, resident of St. Petersburg Beach, addressed the Board to encourage their support of this charter's application that will place a public school on St. Petersburg Beach.

7. Tarah Martin
Nonconsent #6 - Request Approval of the Charter Application for Academy by the Sea Charter School
Ms. Martin, Gulfport Montessori parent, addressed the Board to request that they support this application.
8. Maria Lowe
Nonconsent #6 - Request Approval of the Charter Application for Academy by the Sea Charter School
Ms. Lowe addressed the Board to say that the district closed the only school in her area and requested that the Board support this charter application.
9. Kim Black - (REVISED)
Nonconsent #2 - Request Approval of Pinellas County Schools Proposed 2014 Legislative Program
Ms. Black addressed the Board to thank both the Board and Dr. Grego for their legislative program; and, that PCTA would like to support them on this program, especially on the item addressing local control.

VIII. Adoption of Agenda

The Board's action reflects the amendments presented by Dr. Grego under II. Amendments to the Agenda.

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

IX. Special Order Agenda

1. Request Approval of the Proclamation Acknowledging American Education Week
Dr. Ron Ciranna presented the Proclamation. Mrs. O'Shea read aloud the Proclamation designating the week of November 18-22, 2013 as American Education Week.
It was moved by Mrs. Krassner, seconded by Mrs. Wikle and carried with a 7-0 vote to approve the Proclamation acknowledging American Education Week.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
2. Request Approval of the Proclamation From Governor Rick Scott for Florida Parental Involvement During Education Month, November 2013
Dr. Valerie Brimm presented the Proclamation from Governor Scott. Mrs. O'Shea read aloud the Proclamation from Governor Scott designating November 2013 as Florida Parental Involvement in Education Month.
It was moved by Mrs. Krassner, seconded by Mrs. Wikle and carried with a 7-0 vote to approve the Proclamation signed by Governor Rick Scott designating November 2013 as Florida Parental Involvement in Education Month.
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)

3. Request Approval of the Proclamation Acknowledging National Education Support Professionals Day

Dr. Ron Ciranna presented to the Board the Proclamation designating November 20, 2013 as National Education Support Professionals Day. Mrs. O'Shea read the Proclamation aloud.

It was moved by Mrs. Wikle, seconded by Ms. Flowers and carried with a 7-0 vote to approve the Proclamation designating November 20, 2013 as National Education Support Professionals Day.

(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)

4. Recognition of Pinellas Technical Education Center St. Petersburg for Recently Being Re-Accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Division of Council on Occupational Education Presented by Dave Barnes, Executive Director, Career Technical and Adult Education.

Mr. David Barnes addressed the Board to share that both Pinellas Technical Education Centers have been accredited by either the Council on Occupational Education (COE) or Commission on Occupational Education Institutions (COEI) since their respective beginnings. Mr. Barnes announced that PTEC-St. Petersburg recently completed its reaccreditation process; and, that during the exit conference, the visiting team chairperson reported that they will make their recommendation for reaccreditation with no "findings" or formal recommendations for improvement. Mr. Barnes stated that this is the first time that either technical center has been reaccredited with no "findings"; and, credited the administrators on that campus for this accomplishment.

X. Unfinished Business

XI. Consent

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

1. Approval of Minutes: To Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 22, 2013; the Workshop of October 15, 2013; and, the Bridging the Gap Summit Workshop of October 24, 2013
Approved, as submitted.
2. Request Approval to Revise the Following Job Description Which Will Be Effective November 13, 2013
Approved, as submitted.
3. Request Approval of Personnel Recommendations
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
4. Request Approval of the Administrative Appointment of the Assistant Superintendent, Technology and Information Systems
Appointment approved - Thomas P. Lechner
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)

5. Request Approval of the Administrative Appointment of the Administrator, Department of Juvenile Justice / Dropout Prevention
Appointment approved - Barbara Muhly
(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
6. Request Approval to Appoint USI Insurance Services as Property and Casualty Insurance Broker and Consultant, January 1, 2014, Through December 31, 2017, With an Option to Renew for Four Additional Years
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
7. Request Approval of the Special Projects Contract with Performance Matters, LLC., \$70,000.00
Approved, as submitted. (Copy/copies to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
8. Request Approval of the Financial Statements for the Month Ending August 31, 2013 for Fiscal Year 2013/14
Approved, as submitted.
9. Request Approval for the Renewal of the Agreement With East Lake Youth Sports Association, Inc. (ELYSA) for the Reciprocal use of ELYSA Facilities and East Lake High School Facilities
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
10. Report to the School Board of Facility Leases, Joint-Use Activities, and Other Community Uses Processed by the Real Estate Department During the First Fiscal Quarter 2013/14
Approved, as submitted.
11. Request Approval of Agreement with Architectural Engineering, Inc. for Engineering and Contract Administration Services in Connection With the Installation of Site Lighting Systems at Seven (7) Schools, in the Amount of \$160,396
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
12. Request Approval of Agreement with Engineering Matrix, Inc. for Engineering and Contract Administration Services in Connection With the Replacement of Ceilings and Lights Throughout the Facility, in the Amount of \$57,030 at pTEC Clearwater, Project No. 9159
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
13. Request Approval of Agreement with Engineering Matrix, Inc. for Engineering and Contract Administration Services in Connection With the Replacement of Ceilings and Lights in the Classrooms, Administration and Cafeteria, in the Amount of \$42,010 at Woodlawn Elementary School, Project No. 9153
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)
14. Request Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Agreement With C.B.Goldsmith and Associates, Inc. Resulting in an Additional Fee of \$10,500 in Connection With the Replacement (Buildings 1-7) and Refurbishment (Buildings 8 and 9) of Roofs for Mildred Helms Elementary School, Project No. 9369
Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)

15. Request Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Agreement with Griffin Design Associates, P.A. for Architectural and Contract Administration Services in Connection With the Addition of new Exhaust Fans in Buildings 2 and 3 and Structural, Mechanical, and Electrical Changes to Resolve Conflicts With the Installation of new Ductwork and Piping in Building 1, in the Amount of \$5,518, Resulting in a Total Project Architect/Engineer (PA/E) fee of \$153,518 at San Jose Elementary School, Project No. 9058

Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)

16. Request Approval of Change Order No. 2 With Biltmore Construction Co. Inc. for the Reconciliation of the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP). This change order will decrease the GMP by \$96,764.65 with no time extension for the Health Clinic at Gibbs High School, Project No Z912.

Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)

17. Request Acceptance of Substantial Completion for Reroofing (Buildings 1 and 10) and Coating (Building 6) as of September 17, 2013 at Countryside High School, Project No. 9007

Approved, as submitted. (Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)

18. First Quarter Submittal of Change Order Summaries

Approved, as submitted.

19. Request Approval of Vehicle Use Agreements to Non-Profit Organizations for a Period of one Year

Approved, as follows:

City of Seminole

City of St. Petersburg

(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)

20. Request Approval of Reimbursement of Isolated Transportation for M.M. During the 2013/2014 School Year

Approved, as submitted.

21. Request Approval of Selling the District's 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 Supplemental Minute Book #151.)

XII. Nonconsent

1. Request Adoption of the Recommended Order of the Administrative Law Judge, Rejection of Exceptions, Dismissal of the Bid Protests of TAMCO Electric, Inc., and Rejection of all Bids in the Underlying Procurements

Mr. W. Bart Meacham, Counsel for the Petitioner TAMCO Electric, Inc., addressed the Board to present comments and arguments on behalf of his client, addressing procedural

issues and the merits of the case. Mr. Meacham reserved three minutes and 30 seconds for rebuttal.

Ms. Heather Wallace, Assistant School Board Attorney, presented comments on behalf of the Respondent Superintendent.

Mr. Meacham utilized his remaining time to present further argument.

Discussion followed by School Board Members and Mr. Koperski. Mrs. Cook summarized that the Administrative Law Judge found that the district had the authority to reject all bids; that this will allow for the process to move forward in a clean fashion; and, that this company has the opportunity to enter into that rebid process.

(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #151.)

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

2. Request Approval of Pinellas County Schools Proposed 2014 Legislative Program

The order the previous item, Adoption of Recommended Order - TAMCO Electric, Inc., and this item were reversed in order to accommodate those representing TAMCO Electric, Inc.

Mr. Steve Swartzel, Legislative Liaison, presented the proposed 2012 Legislative Program. Discussion followed by the Board Members.

It was moved by Mrs. Wikle, seconded by Mrs. Krassner and carried with a 7-0 vote to add a bulleted item under A. Funding Issues, to read as follows: "Supporting specialized funding to ensure that districts implement youth and adult apprenticeship programs."

It was moved by Mrs. Lerner, seconded by Mrs. Flowers and carried with a 7-0 vote to add to B. Policy Issues #8, as follows: "Accountability Transition: Common Core/Testing: There is questionable value for continuing to use the current system of student testing for assigning school grades and possibility teacher pay. It must be revisited by the 2014 Legislature to provide for the transition to be implemented no earlier than July 1, 2017."

It was moved by Mrs. Krassner, seconded by Mrs. Wikle and carried with a 7-0 vote to change B. Policy Issues #9, as follows: "Dual Enrollment: Repeal the 2013 law enacted ~~last year~~ that provides that school districts pay the colleges and universities for students dually enrolled."

It was moved by Mrs. Krassner, seconded by Mrs. Wikle and carried with a 7-0 vote to change C. Constitutional Authority/Governance #4, as follows: "Charter School Standardized Contract: Oppose and repeal any legislation that requires districts to use a standardized contract. ~~That is currently being drafted.~~"

Mrs. Cook thanked Mr. Swartzel for his work on this program.

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

3. Request Endorsement of the Proposed 2014 Florida School Boards Association (FSBA) Legislative Platform, Priorities for the 2014 Legislative Session

Mrs. Cook stated that, should this Board endorse the FSBA Legislative Platform, it will then be taken before the FSBA membership at the December meeting in Tampa for a vote by the entire organization for it to become the official platform for the state.

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

4. Request Approval of the Charter Application for East Windsor Middle Academy Charter School

Ms. Dot Clark presented a brief overview of the charter application for East Windsor Middle Academy Charter School.

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

5. Request Approval of the Charter Application for Plato Academy South Charter School

Ms. Dot Clark presented a brief overview of the charter application for Plato Academy South Charter School.

Discussion followed by Mrs. Wikle and Ms. Dot Clark.

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

6. Request Approval of the Charter Application for Academy by the Sea Charter School

Ms. Dot Clark presented a brief overview of the charter application for Academy by the Sea Charter School.

Discussion followed by Mrs. O'Shea, Mrs. Lerner, Ms. Dot Clark and Dr. Grego.

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

7. Request Denial of the Charter Application for Pinellas Charter School of Science and Technology

Ms. Dot Clark presented a brief overview for the recommendation to deny the charter application for Pinellas Charter School of Science and Technology.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Terry Krassner, Board Member
SECONDER:	Rene Flowers, 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) Distributed to the Board Members copies of two letters from AdvancED that demonstrate the progress being made by the district in achieving Systems Accreditation.
- 2) Shared that the East Lake High School Chorus Group will be making a trip to Normandy with Mr. Alan Kay accompanying these students.
- 3) Announced that Aadith Moorthy, a senior in the International Baccalaureate program at Palm Harbor University High School, who came before the Board at a previous meeting to be recognized for achieving a perfect SAT score has now attained a perfect score on the AP Calculus BC exam administered last May. Dr. Grego shared that Aadith is only one of 11 students in the world to accomplish this feat. Dr. Grego stated that he feels it is appropriate to bring this student back to a future meeting in order to recognize this accomplishment.
- 4) Shared that two members of the East Lake High School varsity football, Mason Cole and Artavis Scott, have been invited to play in the US Army All-American Bowl to be played on January 4, 2014. Dr. Grego shared that Mason Cole and Artavis Scott became members of East Lake's varsity squad as freshmen.
- 5) Shared that district staff have been out at our Title I school sites every night for the last two weeks to roll our Connect for Success digital extended learning opportunity for students at Title I schools. Dr. Grego extended his appreciation to the principals and instructional staff at those schools for their efforts to work with students and families on this effort. Dr. Grego shared that by the end of this week, more than 4,000 laptops will have been placed in student homes in an effort to greatly enhance academic achievement for these children. Dr. Grego stated that he will be bringing a recap to the Board regarding the progress of this program; and, that a tracking or evaluation system will be administered to this program to monitor the progress of students.
- 6) Shared that the district staff are holding very successful meetings at a number of schools with parents of STEM Academy students. Dr. Grego stated that our Teaching & Learning

team is heading up this effort to introduce parents to hands-on science engineering challenges and discussions on how STEM education can benefit their students.

7) Shared that the deadline to make a nomination for the 2013-14 Business Partner of the Year recognition event sponsored by the Pinellas Education Foundation is this Thursday, November 14th. Dr. Grego stated that nomination forms are available on the district's Newsroom.

8) Shared that over 1300 pieces of student art are displayed in this building. Dr. Grego stated that students and their families enjoyed traveling throughout the building last week to see where their individual pieces were displayed. Dr. Grego thanked the Board Members who were able to participate in that evening.

9) Shared that our schools held wonderful events recognizing Veterans Day, some involving veterans. Dr. Grego stated that through these programs, our students are understanding the meaning of this day.

10) Shared that he continues to visit the schools and listed those he has visited since the last Board meeting.

11) Shared that the next Parent Cadre meeting will be held at Gibbs High School this Thursday evening.

12) Thanked Ms. Kim Black and Mr. Bruce Proud, PCTA/PESPA, for including him in a great meeting with PCTA representatives this past Monday.

13) Shared that the next Superintendent's Roundtable will be held this coming Thursday at Tarpon Springs High School.

14) Shared that the Information Fairs showcasing our programs for parents will be held this Saturday at Pinellas Park High School and next Tuesday at Gibbs High School. Dr. Grego stated that the application period for these programs runs from January 8, 2014 through January 17, 2014.

15) Thanked Pinellas County Council of PTAs for hosting a family-friendly event this Saturday at Eagle Lake Park in Largo. Dr. Grego shared that families may register by visiting the PCCPTA website.

16) Shared information with the Board that he had received from Mrs. O'Shea regarding an event held at Calvin Hunsinger ESE Center that included participation by the Clearwater Fire Department. Dr. Grego shared that this event was tied to the fitness program at that school and highlights the partnership that the Clearwater Fire Department has with Calvin Hunsinger ESE Center.

17) Stated that the most recent Friday Update included information on the performance of our students on the SAT and NAEP assessments. Dr. Grego shared that the results for our African-American and Hispanic students were highlighted.

B. *Items Introduced by School Board Attorney*

Mr. Koperski stated he had no report.

C. *Items Introduced by the Board*

Ms. Flowers - 1) Congratulated the new owners of Sylvia's Restaurant on their grand opening. Ms. Flowers thanked those individuals for hiring some of our graduates from our PTEC culinary programs. 2) Shared that many Veteran Day events were held throughout the district. Ms. Flowers shared that her father and brothers were members of the military; and, that she feels it is critical to pay tribute on this special day. 3) Shared that she received a phone call from Ms. Clarice Pennington to attend a meeting to see where men who have turned their lives around have committed themselves to go into Citrus Grove to speak with

young people living there in an effort to help turn their lives around. Ms. Flowers shared that she encouraged Ms. Pennington and others to get with Dr. Brimm to coordinate efforts. 4) Congratulated Isaiah Wynn, Lakewood High School, who has been invited to play in the U.S. Army All American Bowl. 5) Shared that a fair was held at PTEC-St. Petersburg where volunteers worked with families who are homeless. Ms. Flowers shared that she was excited to hear during this event that Worknet is starting a program where they will fund a component to hire individuals who have a felony record. Ms. Flowers stated that she is hoping to get more information to share with some of our families. 6) Shared that the JWB South County Parental Engagement Group has been extremely active in helping the parents in that area to become engaged in their children's schools. Ms. Flowers shared that one of those efforts is the Mommy & Me component that provides parents, especially men, to have the tools they need to work with their children.

Mrs. Wikle - 1) Shared that the City of Tarpon Springs has established a Mentor Program much like City of St. Petersburg that will allow their employees to go into our schools and mentor students. 2) Shared that the School Board Members received some emails expressing concern that schools were open on Veterans Day. Mrs. Wikle stated that having schools open on this day provides an opportunity to teach the students the meaning of this day; and, thanked those schools who were able to make the extra effort to provide programs that educated students on this day. 3) Gave a shout-outs to the Association of Retired Teachers and to the student artists who have their artwork displayed in the Administration Building. Mrs. Wikle encouraged art teachers to look into the information contained in a recent Monday Update regarding grant opportunities.

Mrs. Krassner - 1) Encouraged all to go to our website to learn more about the artwork displayed in the Administration Building and the programs that took place in our schools that highlighted Veterans Day. 2) Stated that she is thrilled to hear that Dr. Grego is working with PCTA. Mrs. Krassner encouraged teachers to bring their concerns forward. 3) Stressed the importance of aligning our strategies and resources to successfully implement Common Core into our district.

Ms. Clark - 1) Shared that the Board will hold their 2013 Legislative Breakfast on Wednesday, November 20th. Ms. Clark stated that a full update and discussion will take place during the workshop immediately following the Organization Meeting today.

Mrs. Lerner - 1) Stated that in the past, question and answer sessions with the Students Rights and Responsibilities Committee (SRR) members was televised. Mrs. Lerner provided some examples and requested that the upcoming session between the School Board and SRR be recorded and aired on our television station. 2) Stated that so many of our teachers are putting in time beyond the contract and shared how she happened to run into two teachers who meet every Sunday to differentiate the curriculum to meet the needs of their students. Mrs. Lerner thanked all educators for their hard work; and, the Board and Dr. Grego are committed to taking away the unnecessary tasks that teachers are presently being asked to do.

Mrs. O'Shea - 1) Clarified that Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Wikle worked on the FSBA Legislative Program. 2) Stated that she received the information shared earlier by Dr. Grego from a PCTA representative who teaches at Calvin Hunsinger ESE. Mrs. O'Shea stated that the school plans to recognize the partnership with the Clearwater Fire Department; and, that the Board will receive an invitation to that celebration.

Mrs. Cook - 1) Stated that she is thrilled to see so many items in common between the different legislative platforms. 2) Shared that the agenda for the Board's November 20th workshop is being finalized and will be sent to the Board. 3) Stated that the workshop scheduled to follow the Organization Meeting will be held at the Board table. 4) Stated that she had the opportunity to attend the Clearwater High School's Marine ROTC Marine Corp birthday celebration. Mrs. Cook shared that Mr. Bill Justice, former Clearwater High principal and Marine, was one of those present to celebrate this day. Mrs. Cook stated that she is very impressed with the program; and, that she feels it is very important for students to be in school on Veterans Day in order to learn more about the history of this day.

D. Review of Board Requests

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

1) Staff will investigate the plausibility of televising the Board's session with members of the Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee next week.

E. School Board Meeting Evaluation

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

Pluses

- Superintendent told audience to stay positive

Opportunities

- Pinellas Country Fair speakers should have waited
- Singer should face audience
- Monitors out

XIV. Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the School Board, this meeting adjourned at 1:14 p.m.

Chairperson

Superintendent and Ex Officio Secretary