



Pinellas County School Board

Regular School Board Meeting

~ Minutes ~

301 Fourth Street SW
Largo, FL 33770
<https://www.pcsb.org>

Ann Simonetti

Tuesday, September 27, 2016

10:00 AM

School Administration Building

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. at the School Board Administration Building, 301 Fourth Street SW, Largo, Florida.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Rene Flowers	Board Member	Present	
Ken Peluso	Board Member	Present	
Carol J. Cook	Board Member	Present	
Janet R. Clark	Board Member	Present	
Terry Krassner	Vice Chairperson	Present	
Linda S. Lerner	Board Member	Present	
Peggy O' Shea	Chairperson	Present	
Michael A. Grego	Superintendent	Present	
David Koperski	Board Attorney	Present	
Kevin Smith	Associate Superintendent/Finance Business Services	Present	
William Corbett	Deputy Superintendent	Present	
Clinton Herbic	Associate Superintendent/Operations	Present	
Ann Simonetti	Administrative Assistant and Clerk to the Board	Present	

II. Amendments to the Agenda

Dr. Grego requested the following update to the agenda:

Updated Consent Agenda Item #2, page 49, Request Approval of Personnel Recommendations:

The name listed under the heading "Job Abandonment" was moved under the heading "Retirement".

Updated Nonconsent Agenda Item #1, page 171, Request Approval of the Master Inservice Plan (MIP) for 2016-2017:

The update reflects seven action goals.

Mrs. O'Shea stated that as chair she found good cause to amend the agenda accordingly.

III. Invocation

Reverend Kenneth Irby , Bethel AME Church, of St. Petersburg, delivered the invocation.

Ms. Rene Flowers thanked the reverend for his work in the community including the Men in the Making and Not My Son programs.

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance followed the invocation.

National Anthem

The National Anthem was sung by Simone Schuster, Laila Charid, Marissa Corn, Mitchell Broadwater, Levi Ryder, and Daniel Boelke, students from Countryside High School.

Video: Referendum Renewal 2016

The video highlighted the benefits of the Referendum which was first approved by voters in 2004; and renewed in 2008 and 2012. The Referendum will be up for a vote on the November 8 ballot. The video shared the many ways the referendum enhances student learning through arts education and additional instructional resources.

V. Introduction of Professional and Community Organization Reps: Lisa M. Wolf, Public Information Officer

Ms. Lisa Wolf, public information officer, introduced the following individuals: Nelly Henjes, PESPA; Mike Gandolfo, PCTA; Rondi Hilleso, Arts for a Complete Education; Cindy Ehrenzeller, Pinellas County Council PTA; and Colleen Wright, Tampa Bay Times.

VI. Presentation by Student Rights and Responsibilities: Countryside High School

Ms. Lisa Wolf, public information officer, introduced Alexis Glasgow and Alaina Prescott; student rights and responsibilities committee representatives from Countryside High School. They addressed the Board to share information regarding programs and achievements taking place at their school.

VII. Adoption of Agenda

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

VIII. Special Order Agenda

1. Presentation of Proclamation Observing Disability History and Awareness Weeks During the First two Weeks in October, Presented by Sherry Aemisegger, Executive Director, Exceptional Student Education

Ms. Sherry Aemisegger shared some background about the history of disability awareness.

Janet Clark read the Proclamation aloud.

It was moved by Terry Krassner, and seconded by Rene Flowers, and carried with a 7-0 vote to approve the Proclamation Observing Disability History and Awareness Weeks During the First two Weeks in October.

(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #166.)

2. Presentation of Proclamation Designating October as National Physical Therapy Appreciation Month, Presented by Sherry Aemisegger, Executive Director, Exceptional Student Education

Ms. Sherry Aemisegger spoke of the positive impact of physical therapists.

Carol Cook read the Proclamation aloud.

It was moved by Terry Krassner, seconded by Janet Clark, and carried with a 7-0 vote to approve the Proclamation Designating October as National Physical Therapy Appreciation Month.

(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #166.)

3. Presentation of the Proclamation Designating October as Dyslexia Awareness Month, Presented by Sherry Aemisegger, Executive Director, Exceptional Student Education

Ms. Sherry Aemisegger, spoke of the impact of dyslexia.

Terry Krassner read the Proclamation aloud.

It was moved by Rene Flowers, seconded by Janet Clark, and carried with a 7-0 vote to approve the Proclamation Designating October as Dyslexia Awareness Month.

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4. Recognition of Forest Lakes Elementary School Teacher Janet Acerra

Mr. Ward Kennedy introduced Ms. Janet Acerra, award winner, and principal, Karen Aspen.

Ms. Acerra and Ms. Aspen were greeted and congratulated by the Board.

IX. Public Comments on Agenda Items

The following individual addressed the Board to offer their comments on specific agenda items:

-Mark Klutho

Consent Agenda Item # 6: Request Approval of Budget Amendment No. 10 (June 2016) to the District's 2015/16 Budget

Consent Agenda Item # 11: Request Approval of the Renewal Health Agreement between Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital and the School Board of Pinellas County

Consent Agenda Item # 12: Request Approval of Amendment No. 2 to Agreement With Ajax Building Corporation for the Release of the Construction Allocation of \$3,345,878 Resulting in a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) of \$4,179,452 in Connection With the New Central Energy

Plant at the Administration Building, Project No. 9051

Consent Agenda Item # 13: Request Approval of Room Condition Change Building Replacement/Raze (RCC - BRR) Form and Conceptual Permission to Raze/Replace Permanent Buildings at Oakhurst Elementary, Building 7

Consent Agenda Item # 14: Request Approval of Substantial Completion for Repairs to Interior Plaster throughout and Building Envelope Repairs as of August 1, 2016, at Azalea Middle School, Project No. 9325

Nonconsent Agenda Item # 4: Request Approval of the Certificate Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Certificates of Participation, Series 2017A to Finance the Acquisition, Construction and Equipping of Various Educational Facilities in the District

Mr. Klutho questioned the need for a budget amendment following its recent approval and concerns with energy usage.

X. Unfinished Business

1. Public Hearing to Consider the Amendment to Policy 2250 – FUNDAMENTAL SCHOOLS, MAGNET PROGRAMS, AND CAREER ACADEMIES (This is the second reading. There are changes since the first reading.)

Mr. Bill Lawrence, director, student assignment, said these amendments were reviewed at the August 16, 2016 school board workshop.

The following individual addressed the Board to offer their comments on this item:

-Mark Klutho

Mr. Klutho shared his concern with transporting students to a variety of programs and its environmental impact.

Ms. Flowers thanked Mr. Lawrence for his work with Midtown Academy and for the policy revision that gives students a second chance (removing language prohibiting reapplication to a DAP after reassignment or expulsion).

Mrs. Krassner expressed her appreciation to the Pinellas Education Foundation and the business community for their work in the development and support of career education programs.

Mrs. Lerner shared that the district follows the practice of continuous quality improvement through their review of practices and procedures.

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

2. Public Hearing to Consider the Amendment to the following Student Progression Plan policies: Policy 5410.01 - REQUIRED CORE CURRICULUM/PROMOTION/RETENTION/ACCELERATION - ELEMENTARY, Policy 5410.02 - REGULAR PROGRAM CORE

CURRICULUM/PROMOTION/RETENTION/ACCELERATION – MIDDLE SCHOOL, Policy 5420.01 - REPORTING STUDENT PROGRESS – ELEMENTARY, Policy 5420.02 - REPORTING STUDENT PROGRESS – MIDDLE SCHOOL, Policy 5430 – CLASS RANK, Policy 5440—HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT AND STUDENT PERFORMANCE STANDARDS, Policy 5455 – FLORIDA’S BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, and Policy 5460 - GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (This is the second reading. There are no changes since the first reading.)

Ms. Pam Moore, associate superintendent, teaching and learning services, stated that the amendments to the policy were reviewed at the August 16, 2016 school board workshop.

The following individual addressed the Board to offer their comments on this item:

-Mark Klutho

Mr. Klutho shared his concerns with the district.

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MOVER:	Terry Krassner, Vice Chairperson
SECONDER:	Janet R. Clark, Board Member
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XI. Consent

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

1. Request Approval of Minutes: To Approve the Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting of September 13, 2016; and, the Public Hearing on 2016/17 Millage Rates and District Budget

Approved as submitted

2. Request Approval of Personnel Recommendations

This item was amended by the Superintendent under Item II: Amendments to the Agenda.

Approved as amended

(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #166.)

3. Request Approval of the Appointment of the Applications Administrator

Appointment approved-Heath Glandon

(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #166.)

4. Request Approval of the Appointment of the Unified Communications Systems Administrator

Appointment approved-Julian CJ Johnson

(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #166.)

5. Request Approval of the Following Special Project:

Approved as follows:

Agreement with the District School Board of Putnam County on Behalf of the North East Florida Educational Consortium (NEFEC) and Pinellas County School District \$402,500.00

(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #166.)

6. Request Approval of Budget Amendment No. 10 (June 2016) to the District's 2015/16 Budget

Approved as submitted

7. Request Approval of the Financial Statements for the Month Ending June 30, 2016

Approved as submitted

8. Request Approval of the Principals' Yearly Financial Report for the Year Ending June 30, 2016

Approved as submitted

9. Request Approval of the Investment Portfolio Financial Statements for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2016

Approved as submitted

10. Request Approval of the Fifth Amendment to Agreement Between the School Board of Pinellas County and University of South Florida, St. Petersburg/Project Sting Ray

Approved as submitted

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14. Request Approval of Substantial Completion for Repairs to Interior Plaster throughout and Building Envelope Repairs as of August 1, 2016, at Azalea Middle School, Project No. 9325

Approved as submitted

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15. Request Approval of Substantial Completion for HVAC Renovations as of August 26, 2016, at Clearwater Fundamental Middle School, Project No. 9227

Approved as submitted

(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #166.)

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

Approved as submitted

(Copy to be found in Supplemental Minute Book #166.)

17. Request Approval of Selling the Districts Surplus Equipment on the PublicSurplus.com Internet Auction Site

Approved as submitted

18. Request Approval to Recycle, Cannibalize, and/or Scrap Obsolete Fixed Assets

Approved as submitted

19. Request Approval of Bids to Vendors at Prices in Bid Documents in Accordance with Bid Policies and Statutes

Approved as submitted

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XII. Nonconsent**1. Request Approval of the Master Inservice Plan (MIP) for 2016/2017**

This item was amended by the Superintendent under Item II: Amendments to the Agenda.

Ms. Paula Texel, director, human resources services, made note of the increase in professional development offerings.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Terry Krassner, Vice Chairperson
SECONDER:	Rene Flowers, Board Member
AYES:	Flowers, Peluso, Cook, Clark, Krassner, Lerner, O' Shea

2. Request Approval of the 2016-17 School Improvement Plans

Dr. Grego called upon Dr. Mary Beth Corace, director, strategic planning and policy. Dr. Corace reviewed the process for SIP development and deployment.

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

3. Request Adoption of the Corporate Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Tax Anticipation Note Not to Exceed \$95,000,000

Mr. Kevin Smith, associate superintendent, finance and business services, shared the purpose of the TAN.

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MOVER:	Ken Peluso, Board Member
SECONDER:	Rene Flowers, Board Member
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4. Request Approval of the Certificate Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Certificates of Participation, Series 2017A to Finance the Acquisition, Construction and Equipping of Various Educational Facilities in the District

Mr. Kevin Smith, associate superintendent, finance and business services, introduced Mr. Will Reed, financial advisor with Ford and Associates. Mr. Smith also reviewed the process necessary for approval of the COPS.

The following steps were taken by the Board for approval of this agenda item:

1. Adopt the Certificate Resolution authorizing the lease of certain land owned by the Board to the Pinellas County School Board Leasing Corporation in connection with the lease-purchase financing of the above referenced educational facilities within the district. The Resolution includes the adoption by exhibit of the forms of ground lease, master lease, lease schedule number 2017A, master trust, series 2017A supplemental trust agreement, certificate purchase agreement, preliminary offering statement, and disclosure certificate.
2. Recess as members of the School Board, and convene as the School Board Leasing Corporation.
3. Adopt the Organizational Resolution of the Leasing Corporation which adopts the bylaws and appoints the school board members as officers of the corporation.
4. Adopt the Corporate Resolution authorizing the lease-purchase of various educational facilities.
5. Adjourn as members of the School Board Leasing Corporation and reconvene as the School Board to continue the regular School Board meeting.

The School Board recessed at 11:19 a.m. to take up the business of the School Board Leasing Corporation.

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XIII. New Business

The School Board reconvened at 11: 22 a.m.

A. *Items Introduced by Superintendent*

Dr. Grego's report included the following:

1) He addressed the addition of District Strategic Direction 3-Equity with Excellence for All, which is supported by Goal 4. He distributed a draft to the Board outlining how the district will work on the Bridging the Gap plan for 2016-2017. The district intends to hold a series of community input sessions; the dates will be announced soon. For those in the community that are unable to attend, they can review the plan on our website and share their input at transform@pcsb.org. Ongoing discussions are occurring with COQEBS and Bradley representatives. He will update the Board during the New Business portion of future school board meetings.

Dr. Corbett explained the Achievement Gap/Long-Range Goals chart.

Ms. Flowers thanked Dr. Grego for the opportunity to dialogue with constituents; which demonstrate transparency.

Mrs. Lerner said it is an excellent initiative, but we cannot do it alone. We need to work together with the community; they need to be accountable.

Mrs. Cook thanked him and noted that we are addressing the Hispanic achievement gap as well as other minorities.

Mrs. O'Shea agreed that enhancing communication is important; this is an issue of concern nationwide.

2) He talked about Dads Take Your Child to School Day and Day of Dialogue on September 28. A program is scheduled at Gibbs High with former coach Tony Dungy, who is an All Pro Dads spokesperson. Six superintendents from other Florida counties will attend, with a focus on solutions. He thanked Dr. Brimm for her effort in organizing this event and the DOE for their support.

3) He said our district has received recognition from the Healthy Schools Alliance. Of the ten schools honored, six of the schools are Pinellas County Schools.

4) He said Laura Domanski, a St. Petersburg High chemistry teacher in the International Baccalaureate Program, was named the recipient of the 2016 Yale Educator Award. Tarek Ziad, a former St. Petersburg High student and member of the Yale Class of 2020, nominated her.

5) He shared that the Halloween Hustle 5K walk/run sponsored by the Pinellas Education

Foundation will support Take Stock in Children Scholarships. All donations will be matched dollar for dollar by the Florida Prepaid Foundation to support the Take Stock in Children Scholarship Program. The program provides scholarships and mentors to at-risk youth in Pinellas County. The Halloween Hustle will take place October 22, 2016 at John's Pass Park in Madeira Beach.

6) He mentioned the annual Ties and Tennis Shoes race location has been changed and will not be at Tropicana Field this year. It will be at the beach.

7) He said the ESE College, Career & Life Fair is scheduled for tonight at Pinellas Park High. It was developed specifically for high school students with disabilities and their families to learn about resources to plan for the future.

8) He shared that a tentative agreement has been signed by PCTA and SEIU.

B. Items Introduced by School Board Attorney

Mr. Koperski stated that he had no report.

C. Items Introduced by the Board

Janet Clark-1) She said the ESE College, Career & Life Fair at Pinellas Park High School tonight is an outstanding opportunity for families. 2) She said that November 8 is the general election. The Supervisor of Elections is providing the opportunity for 18 year olds to register at schools. The last day to register is October 11 if you plan to vote.

Rene Flowers-1) She shared information about the United 4 Literacy Event at Pinellas Technical College, St. Petersburg, this Saturday from 9-11 am. Free books will be available at the Lew Williams center. The HIPPY (Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters) organization will also be present. 2) She attended a community meeting at Lakewood Elementary last Monday and the place was packed. They voted to renew the PTA and had 30 people sign up. She contributed \$50.00 toward membership dues for those who cannot afford it. 3) She attended the SSCPTA meeting on Tuesday, September 20th. The PCCPTA president was there to support and mentor this new chapter. Campbell Park principal, Christine Hoffman, and Lakewood Elementary principal, Johnnie Crawford, along with area superintendent

Bob Poth attended. Dues are \$5.00. 4) She said the National Black Child Development Institute (NBCDI) has a new member to its National Affiliate Network, Greater Tampa Bay including Pinellas and Hillsborough, on September 22, 2016. This group focuses on children ages 0-5. 5) She gave a shout out to a teacher who assisted an autistic student with developing relationships in the classroom.

Linda Lerner- She gave a shout out to Dr. Mary Beth Corace for her work on the District Strategic Plan and School Improvement Plans. When visiting schools she reviews the SIP and sees it demonstrated at each site. These plans are available on each school website.

Peggy O'Shea-1) She attended the Pinellas Education Foundation Board meeting at which they reviewed their district strategic plan and that of Pinellas County Schools. 2) She said the community input session is a great idea.

D. Review of Board Requests

Dr. Corbett stated there were no board requests.

E. School Board Meeting Evaluation

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

Pluses:

- final comment
- board discussion during new business
- clarifying speaker comments

Opportunities:

- monitors not working
- check docking stations

XIV. Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the School Board, this meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Chairperson

Superintendent and Ex-Officio Secretary

XV. Public Speakers

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

1. Lenore Faulkner

Ms. Faulkner shared her personal experiences.

2. Mark Klutho

Mr. Klutho shared environmental issues.

The session ended at 12:12 p.m.