

Approved in Open Board Meeting, April 21, 2009

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

March 17, 2009
Tuesday, 10:15 a.m.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The School Board of Broward County, Florida, met in regular session at 10:20 a.m., Tuesday, March 17, 2009, in the Board Room of the Kathleen C. Wright Administrative Center, 600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Present were: Chair Maureen S. Dinnen; Vice Chair Jennifer Leonard Gottlieb; Members, Robin Bartleman, Beverly A. Gallagher, Phyllis C. Hope, Stephanie Arma Kraft, Esq., Ann Murray, Dr. Robert D. Parks, Benjamin J. Williams, Superintendent James F. Notter, and Edward J. Marko, Esq.

Call to Order Ms. Dinnen, Board Chair, called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Minutes for Approval Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to approve as amended the official minutes for the following Board Meetings: Ms. Gallagher, Mrs. Kraft and Dr. Parks were absent for the vote (6-0 vote)

February 18, 2009 – Regular School Board Meeting
February 25, 2009 – Special – Public Hearing – First Reading – School Boundaries for 2009-2010 School Year
March 3, 2009 – Special – Student Expulsions

Mrs. Bartleman referred to the February 18, 2009 Regular School Board meeting, page 11 of 49, second paragraph, and stated that ~~emotionally disturbed~~ students should be amended to reflect “autistic students.”

Close Agenda Upon motion by Mrs. Bartleman, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried, the Agenda was approved and declared closed. Ms. Gallagher, Mrs. Kraft and Dr. Parks were absent for the vote (6-0 vote)

REPORTS

Broward County Association of Student Councils and Student Advisor to the Board – Scott Schwartz

Scott reported that the BCASC has adopted at its March 12, 2009 meeting at South Broward High School a resolution regarding budget cuts proposed to the School Board of Broward County.

Student Advisor Eti Raz, Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, and Assistant Student Advisor Sara Saxner, Nova High School, were introduced to the Board.

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Eti stated it was a big honor to be selected Student Advisor and he looked forward to working with the School Board next year.

Sara Saxner, Nova High School stated she was looking forward to working with the School Board.

Ms. Dinnen welcomed the new Student Advisors to the School Board, and each Board Member greeted them on the dais.

Gifted Advisory Council – Kannan Nagarajan

Kannan reported that Gifted Advisory held its last meeting at Arthur Ashe Middle School City Academy, with Principal Dr. Andrew Luciani presented the new program, Center for Intellectually Talented Youth Program. Dr. Luciani brought in parents and students involved in the program and they explained the procedure for applying, the process of interviewing, and how parents can come visit the school. The Principal stated that students from the county have assimilated well and are learning the skills. City Academy, in its second year, has 175 applications and 110 have been accepted this year.

Kannan stated that Gifted has been holding meetings throughout Broward County, to date visiting seven schools. The next Gifted Advisory meeting will be held on March 25, 2009, at Sunset Lakes Elementary. This showcase meeting will bring in 20 different organizations that provide gifted-related services for children, during the evening and in the summer, so that parents can review and choose the best option so that children can spend their evenings and summertime in a better fashion.

Kannan thanked Education Technology Services (ETS) for their assistance in the Gifted online sessions, which helped parents attending the meeting via their computers.

Kannan thanked the School Board for their support and extended an invitation to attend Gifted's next meeting.

On behalf of the School Board, Ms. Dinnen thanked the Gifted Advisory for their hard work.

A comprehensive written report was submitted to the Board.

Facilities Task Force – Nick Sakhnovsky

Mr. Sakhnovsky reported that Mr. Michael Garretson, Deputy Superintendent, facilities and Construction Management, attended the March 5, 2009 Task Force meeting, discussed the budget related to facilities issues. He indicated that many major contractors operating at 50 percent at last year's capacity resulted in the district realizing savings of approximately 20 percent. Bonding and Certificates of Participation capacity has been exhausted, over a dozen contracted projects were canceled, and the Facilities plan for the next five years, including schools "MM" and "MMM," have been eliminated.

Mr. Sakhnovsky noted that the district has not had a lawsuit regarding mold and mildew in the last five years, all schools cited for ADA issues and the recent Department of Justice report have been corrected, and the Tools for Schools and Environmental Design areas are achieving significant national recognition.

The Deerfield Beach Middle School is under consideration for a prototype lab design for environmental and energy-friendly construction. Gratitude was extended to Dr. Parks, Mr. Garretson, Mr. Marvin Quittner and Mr. Doug Snyder for their continued leadership in these areas.

Mr. Sakhnovsky further reported that the Task Force reviewed the February 18, 2009 budget document with concerns over the budget forecast savings to be studied for possible 2010-2011 implementation. Recommendations have been made to evaluate elementary schools whose enrollment is under 500 for consolidation; eliminate Nova transportation and eliminate Magnet transportation.

Mr. Sakhnovsky further stated that prior requests by the Task Force have not been provided by the Transportation department, thus creating a motion that the School Board direct the Transportation department to expedite their responses, to provide the detailed information requested so the Task Force can better evaluate the impact of transportation to facilities. Questions and responses have been shared with the Superintendent at the last Task Force quarterly meeting.

Ms. Dinnen stated that the Superintendent is directed to provide the information to the Task Force. She stated that the action of the Legislature last year transfers money out of Capital Budget into the Operating Budget. Ms. Dinnen suggested that since Mr. Sakhnovsky has done lobbying in Tallahassee, that he meet with Mr. Ben Leong, Chief Financial Officer, to discuss the district's borrowing capacity.

Dr. Parks stated that he will submit the name of his appointment to the Facilities Task Force.

Responding to Mrs. Hope's inquiry, Mr. Sakhnovsky stated that the School Board discussed recommendations at the February 24, 2009 Board workshop regarding budget issues, budget forecast savings to be studied by the Task Force so that correct facts are presented and correct recommendations can be made to the Board.

A comprehensive written report was submitted to the Board.

Diversity Committee – Roland Foulkes

Mr. Foulkes reported that the Diversity Committee has been working with the Diversity and Cultural Outreach staff for the past month to prepare for the review of Policy 1.5 scheduled for a Board Workshop this month.

Mr. Foulkes recognized and congratulated Dr. Elizabeth Watts, Director, and staff of the Diversity and Cultural Outreach department. During her six week absence last year due to illness, her staff ran the department efficiently, especially with staying on track and completing the Diversity Committee's work.

Mr. Foulkes informed the Board that he recently received the 2009 Civil Rights Award from the Council on American-Islamic Relations, at their annual banquet for his dedication to promoting social justice and equality for all citizens. He accepted the award on behalf of the Diversity Committee and in memory of former member, Jawhar "Joe" Badran.

BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Murray informed her colleagues that Apollo Middle School hosted the Annual Rocket Fair Showcase of Success for incoming 6th graders and their parents. The event will showcase their terrific academic programs and extra-curricular activities that Apollo has to offer. Ms. Murray stated that she and 121 families were in attendance.

Boulevard Heights Elementary collected \$1,008 in a fundraiser for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and collected \$1,910 for the American Heart Association during their Jump Rope for Heart campaign.

Mrs. Murray reported that the College Academy Senior Class of 161 students has won over \$4 million in scholarships thanks to their BRACE advisor. 159 have qualified for Bright Futures, 68 for \$100 funding, and 91 percent for 75 percent funding. More than 50 percent of students have been accepted into the University of Florida, Central Florida, Florida State University, South Florida and the University of Miami. They are still waiting to hear from Duke, Emory and Georgetown universities.

Hallandale Elementary has collected \$1,200 in pennies in honor of Lincoln's 200th birthday; a check in this amount was donated in a ceremony this morning to Cystic Fibrosis. Also, Hallandale's Robotics Team went to state competition and was selected to submit their project on polar bears in the World Competition.

Mrs. Murray stated that Oakridge Elementary's 5th grader Torian Williams, was featured speaker at the City of Hollywood event Celebrating Black History in Hollywood. Torian shared his emotional rendition of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s famous "I Have a Dream" speech.

Orange Brook Elementary has been awarded two grants from the City of Hollywood Advisory Committee for the Achieving Excellence in Education Grant. Orange Brook is also going green by participating in the Broward County Recycling Administrations recycling program in conjunction with the district's goals.

Mrs. Murray informed her colleagues that McArthur High School is the only high school from Broward County to compete in the state's "We The People." This contest, is sponsored by the Florida Law Related Education Association, which requires students to understand, discuss and apply the constitution. One of the school's teams received a 1st Place award and overall the school placed 4th in the state.

Ms. Dinnen informed her colleagues that she attended the Broward Workshop, State of the County Breakfast which was attended by several School Board Members and several business leaders throughout the county.

Ms. Dinnen and Mr. Notter visited the Editorial Boards of the Miami Herald and the Sun-Sentinel to lay out all the problems the district is facing with the current Legislative Session, and to help them understand and answer questions about the budget cuts that the district has received and cuts that are being contemplated.

Ms. Dinnen accompanied her colleagues to Broward Days and attended meetings with the Broward Education Coalition and appointments set up by district staff, including Mr. Leong meeting with business groups, bankers, and individuals from the construction and finance industry. Ms. Dinnen stated the Board spoke with the President of the Senate, Mr. Shane Strum from the Governor's Office, Speaker Pro Tem in the Speakers Office, and face-to-face meetings with individuals that Board Members know personally.

Additionally, Board Members visited the Chair of the House Committee on K-12 education and the Chair of the Senate Committee on K-12 education. She said the topic of flexibility was presented, to let the district use the money as Broward County needs it and it is different than other smaller counties. In addition, unfunded mandates was discussed, that big ideas with big price tags and no funding are not needed. Ms. Dinnen further stated that because of the "budget switch" and the bonding capacity being reduced, it is hurting the ability to access the stimulus funds that have to do with bonding. She stated that many people testified at the National Board Teachers meeting.

Ms. Dinnen opined that the Legislature was "clueless" about what was going on with the federal funds and conflicted about who was going to handle the stimulus. On her visit to Washington, D.C., Ms. Dinnen stated a 3-hour Legislative briefing was held and the Federal Department of Education representatives spoke for two hours. DOE indicated that the Governor is encouraged to get the money to the local level expeditiously and the Governor, Commissioner of Education, and the school district are encouraged to work together, with the Superintendents being key in the funding operation.

Ms. Dinnen further stated there are four guiding principles for the federal money: spend quickly to save and create jobs, have great transparency in accountability, one-time funds, and the element of reform. She stated that particulars were given about the money and particulars about its disposition. Ms. Dinnen discussed what other states are doing, states that are doing well are going into reform and states such as California and Florida are seeking survival. She stated that Secretary of Education Arnie Duncan spoke to about 100 individuals and 30 people were invited to the White House, including Miami-Dade Superintendent Alberto Carvalho.

Ms. Dinnen stated she will be attending the Educational Rally in Tallahassee.

Ms. Gallagher inquired how the waiver will be worked out regarding the funding.

Ms. Dinnen responded that at one Legislative briefing they indicated that the Governor's letter is enough, but the DOE talked about a more formal process for the waiver. She stated the Governor's letter has already been submitted, but this should be pursued with the Legislative Delegation, Congressional Delegation, and the DOE.

Ms. Gallagher, who stated that any dollars that come to the state has to go to the Appropriations Committee, inquired how the disbursement will be handled and when the funds will be coming to the district.

Ms. Dinnen responded that some of the money is coming around March 31, 2009 and in July 2009. She stated it is imperative that the Board keep monitoring the situation. She informed that the website www.Recovery.gov is very informative.

Following the action of Agenda Item A-8, Ms. Dinnen discussed her report from the Planning Council, stating that the School Board discussed the issue of affordable housing in September 2007 at a Board workshop. She stated that a request was made to get an RFP together which has not yet been submitted to the Board. Ms. Dinnen informed her colleagues that some of the police agencies and Broward Health was interested in this issue. Ms. Dinnen further stated that it cannot be done unless the land use is changed for the types of properties that public entities have; they cannot use it for residential purposes. The Planning Council is requesting that the county allow the residential usage for those types of properties; if the district ever wanted to do this the land would be properly designated.

Mrs. Kraft requested that before staff takes a positive action that the Superintendent schedule this topic for discussion at a workshop, to provide an update and see if there is still any interest in it.

Ms. Murray stated that she has received e-mails from Hollywood citizens regarding affordable housing and whether the district is moving forward on this. She stated the opinion in the community is because of the current low housing prices this should not be an issue.

Ms. Gallagher reported on her attendance at Broward Days; thanking everyone from Broward County for a great showing. Ms. Gallagher informed that the Revenue Estimating Committee reported that the state was only down \$1.1 billion which begins on July 1, 2009 about \$3.5 billion down, as opposed to \$4.5 or \$5 billion down. Statewide PECO dollars are down \$157 million.

Ms. Gallagher stated that Senator Ellyn Bogdanoff, Chair of the Tax and Finance Council, is looking at sales tax exemptions and streamlined sales tax. She said most of the members of the council want to review this issue, as it could possibly provide millions of dollars of revenue that is not being taken advantage of. She said that Tax Watch, Alex Calabro, indicated that small business owners in Florida are in favor of streamlined taxes because they lose money due to tax-free online shopping. Ms. Gallagher voiced concern that the Senator is not bringing forward this issue on her committee because she indicated the Democrats have not brought forward any tax exemptions to be discussed.

Ms. Gallagher informed her colleagues that there some property issues, property tax cuts that are coming through that the district needs to watch. She stated the Legislature is reviewing taxation on cigarettes, liquor, strip clubs and other areas that are not currently being taxed that could be taxed in the future.

Ms. Gallagher reported Representative Adam Hasner announced a new bill to increase the rigor in high school graduation, which includes numerous unfunded mandates.

Ms. Gallagher informed that this week is Florida School Boards Association Week and the Greater Florida Consortium is coming up. She stated that 1,000 or more parents are expected for the Education Rally on Wednesday, including students, administrators and teachers from throughout the state. Representative Ed Bullard asked to meet with the Consortium to consider a grassroots effort of parents and teachers to push forward the 1 Cent Sales Tax for Education initiative. An attempt is being made to deliver 15,000 pounds, or 2.6 million pennies, on the Capitol steps to try to bring attention to the penny sales tax. Ms. Gallagher thanked everyone for caring about Broward County and attending the Educational Rally.

Mr. Williams informed his colleagues that Tyrone Carter, a 1995 Blanche Ely High School graduate and current member of the Pittsburg Steelers, spoke to the student body at Blanche Ely and encouraged them to take advantage of their educational opportunities.

Mr. Williams announced that Dillard High School will hold its first school Pride Rally on Saturday, March 21, 2009, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Guest speakers and live student performances will be held.

Dr. Parks informed his colleagues that Elise Calabrese, Teaching Leadership Center, has been appointed to the state of Florida's Teacher of the Year Selection Committee. The center is a joint partnership of the School Board and Florida Atlantic University.

Dr. Parks stated that the Education Consortium has written to Senator Wise in regard to National Board Certification Teachers (NBCT). Dr. Parks requested a research study done on the student achievement impact of the National Board Certified Teachers in Broward County. He stated there are various national studies that support the NBCT, and they have greater student achievement. Dr. Parks said he would like to know if this is the case in Broward County. Dr. Parks extended gratitude to the following individuals: Sharon Airaghi, Hudson Thomas, Dave Jones, Bill Roach, Washington Collado.

Dr. Parks stated that he attended the ground-breaking ceremony at Deerfield Beach High School Stadium on February 27, 2009, which was attended by excited community members. As part of the interlocal agreements, the city gets to use the facility when the school district is not using them.

Dr. Parks stated that he and staff met with representatives from Apple Computer to discuss an innovative program that the district wants to institute at Coconut Creek High School. He stated that the school is making dramatic changes due to its leadership.

Dr. Parks requested a moment of silence, which was observed, for Mr. Ron Grossman, a retired Project Manager with the Facilities department, and the father of Sharon Saunders at Crystal Lake Community School.

Mrs. Kraft informed her colleagues that Margate Middle School is hosting an Open House for incoming 5th graders on March 26, 2009. Due to the boundary changes, there were a number of students that were not boundaried to Margate who expressed concern about not going to Lyons Creek and going to Margate due to perceptions they might have heard about the school. Mrs. Kraft stated that invitation was extended to attend a specific curriculum Open House which was "fabulous." She said that parents came with an open mind and wanted to hear what the school is offering and what programs are in place, including gifted programs. Mrs. Kraft praised the Spring Board college program which prepares students for Advanced Placement courses in college.

Mrs. Kraft discussed the perception of parents about magnet schools and parents' anxiety about their children entering middle school. She thanked Dr. Joanne Harrison, Deputy Superintendent, Educational Programs and Student Support for attending the Open House.

Mrs. Kraft attended the second annual Teen Political Forum on March 5, 2009 hosted by the City of Coral Springs. She stated this was an opportunity for high school students, including charter and private schools, to ask questions about education and student rules.

Mrs. Kraft thanked Mr. Notter, City Commissioners, and Broward County Mayor Stacy Ritter for attending. Mrs. Kraft asked her colleagues to encourage their municipalities to sponsor similar forums in their cities and suggested the district's Community Relations and Government Relations staff to assist in that regard.

Mrs. Kraft announced that the Florida High School Athletic Association Cheerleading Championships was held. The MTV Fired-Up National Champions scored 4th in the state in their division and Stoneman Douglas Eagle Cheerleaders took 4th in their division. These were the only two teams from Broward that placed in the finals.

Mrs. Kraft informed that Colonel Armstrong has sent her notice that on March 7, 2009 the district's Army JROTC program captured awards at the Florida Army State Drill Team Championship held in Lakeland. The ten awards won by the schools was the strongest Broward showing ever at the championships. 1st Place went to Hallandale Male Color Guard, 2nd Place Overall for the Hallandale Female Color Guard Team. Congratulations was extended to the male and female Color Guards and the district's Army JROTC cadets who participated in these activities.

Mrs. Bartleman informed her colleagues that she visited Nova High School and had lunch with student Amal Ayoub and her friends, and visited her classes and spoke to several classmates.

Mrs. Bartleman announced that the Autism Speaks Walk will be held on April 18, 2009. Participating information can be obtained through www.walknowforautism.org/broward.

Mrs. Bartleman attended the Florida Children's First event who honored Mr. Bob Butterworth, an advocate on behalf of foster children and their needs.

Mrs. Bartleman thanked Shelly Heller, Mike Ryan, Latha Krishnaiyer and the parents who organized the PTA Educational Rally.

Mrs. Bartleman discussed Broward Days and meeting with Legislators. She stated Board Members asked for a delay in the implementation of the FCAT grading system for next year, an unfunded mandate which will cost \$94 million.

Mrs. Bartleman thanked her colleagues, students and Broward Education Coalition participants for representing the district. Gratitude was extended to Mr. Notter for representing public education in Broward County.

Mrs. Bartleman informed her colleagues that groups are organizing to sign a petition for fair districting within the state of Florida, with the census coming in year 2010. She will forward the information to the Board.

Mrs. Bartleman reported that Special Olympics was held this past Saturday at Cypress Bay High School and many school psychologists and coaches participated in the event. She thanked everyone for attending and helping out in this event.

Mrs. Hope wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day, and said it is very important to learn about and celebrate other cultures.

Mrs. Hope stated that it was great that the district attended Broward Days as a united force. Mrs. Hope talked to several legislators and the Chief of Staff at the Governor's office spent time to listen to the district's concerns, including Senator Atwater.

Mrs. Hope was a guest speaker at the Kids and Science Club, a club that Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hammond started with their own money; they take Broward County students out of the neighborhood and on Saturdays they teach them science. Remarking that May 1st is Science Day, Mrs. Hope stated that a resolution will be presented to them at the April School Board meeting. The district is creating a Science Month as there is no month recognizing science.

Mrs. Hope informed her colleagues that she attended Cyber Safety Night at Sawgrass Elementary School which was hosted by the PTA, an event which provided a lot of information for parents. Mrs. Hope stated the Board is committed to promoting good ideas throughout the district.

Mrs. Hope reported that Horizon Elementary and Attucks Middle schools have been selected to participate in the Florida Bullying Prevention Initiative by the Florida Association of School Administrators. Participating schools will be provided with two full days of training, one year of telephone consultation, an anti-bullying course and related materials and books for the individual school's bullying prevention coordinating committee members.

Mrs. Hope stated that Broward County was the first school district in the state to develop and initiate an anti-bullying policy that is aligned with the new state statute. The district's policy has become a model for other school district's throughout the state for the development of their anti-bullying policy.

Mrs. Hope thanked her colleagues, parents and students who will be attending the Educational Rally in Tallahassee.

Mrs. Hope shared with her colleagues her mentoring endeavor with Keitrina Mair, a student who wants to be a surgeon.

Mrs. Hope announced that two Cypress Bay High School students won 2nd Place in the C-SPAN Short Documentary, which will air on April 1, 2009 at 6:30 a.m. Two students from Falcon Cove Middle also won. District schools won this award last year.

Mrs. Hope showcased missing child, Neiman Cobb, born June 28, 1993, missing from the Fort Lauderdale area on January 30, 2009. Anyone who has seen this child, please call the local police or the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Notter informed the Board that the district's website has the Budget Q & A posted and a short iPod regarding Budget 101, a request by the Board to clearly differentiate the Operating budget, Capital budget, and what can be used. In addition, the Board had requested community forums whereby the Board can go out and talk about budget issues. The schedule between staff and the Board Members will be coordinated after the Spring Break. The BECON broadcasts will also incorporate this process so that calls can be received and webcast out from the same location.

Mr. Notter stated that the Union and Meet and Confer Roundtable will be held so that the lines of communication can be kept open with the Unions and Meet and Confer groups during these economic times.

Ms. Dinnen stated that there is something lacking at the Town Hall meetings and that staff needs to look into ways to make the meetings more vibrant.

Concurring, Mr. Notter stated that Parent Link will be used to notify individuals in the geographic areas and measure it to ascertain whether more people are coming out.

Speakers

Dennis Brown
Paul Karasow

CONSENT AGENDA Following identification of those items Board Members and members of the public indicated they would like considered separately, motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to approve the Consent Agenda for the remaining items.

CONSENT ITEMS

A. RESOLUTIONS

- A-1. Resolution in Support of School Library Media Week and National Library Week – April 12-18, 2009 (Adopted)

Adopted Resolution #09-80, in support of School Library Media Week and National Library Week – April 12-18, 2009.

- A-2. Resolution in Support of READ-IN WEEK, READING ACROSS BROWARD – April 12-18, 2009 (Adopted)

Adopted Resolution #09-81, in support of READ-IN WEEK, READING ACROSS BROWARD – April 12-18, 2009.

- A-3. Resolution in Support of Autism Awareness Month – April 2009 (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Bartleman, seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb and carried, to adopt Resolution #09-82, in support of Autism Awareness Month, April 2009.

Mrs. Bartleman informed that Ms. Stacey Hoaglund, Autism Society of America, Broward Chapter, was an organizer of the training held for Broward County law enforcement officers on how to handle autistic children and adults, and how to recognize their characteristics so they can deal with them effectively. Mrs. Bartleman stated that a “Train the Trainer” model is being developed so that it can be sent to all schools. She extended gratitude to Ms. Hoaglund.

Ms. Hoaglund thanked the School Board for recognizing April as Autism Awareness Month. She informed, with over 2,400 students in Broward schools with Autism Spectrum Disorder, the ASA is passionate about creating awareness within the community. Broward County is fortunate to have autism specific programs within the school system, as it offers the extra level of support, and many students in regular education classrooms receive support within those classrooms, inclusionary with the typical developing students. Ms. Hoaglund stated that presentation of the resolution sends a message of acceptance throughout the school district.

Ms. Hoaglund presented students from the Baudhuin School, pre-school for children with autism, who introduced themselves. Ms. Hoaglund stated that the students are presenting The Hanging of the Hands project that occurs in Tallahassee, whereby their work is sent and hung in the Capitol Building for Children’s Week during the Governor’s presentation on April 2, 2009.

Autism Awareness month was recognized through a resolution, which was read by Nicholas Cameri, 8th grader, Olsen Middle School. Nicholas attended a Lake Forest Elementary School program that has an autistic cluster program, and he is currently in a regular education classroom, an Honor Roll student, and is preparing for high school.

Mrs. Bartleman recognized Gary Grigull, ESE, Mrs. Denise Rusnak, Director, ESE, and Mrs. Leah Kelly, Executive Director, Student Support Services, and thanked them for the amazing job they do with the ESE programs.

Dr. Parks informed his colleagues that his great nephew is autistic and lived in Monroe County, and a recommendation was made that his nephew attend school in Broward County because of its quality autistic programs. He stated that many individuals are moving down from other states so their child can attend these programs.

Mrs. Bartleman announced that on April 18, 2009 the Autism Speaks Walk will be held at Nova, Sherman Library, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. She encouraged everyone to sponsor a team, as all the money will go to research and Autism Speaks. This educational and community event will bring awareness about autism.

Mrs. Hope stated that she attends the Autism Speaks Walk every year whereby she learned a lot of information, such that more boys are affected with autism than girls. Mrs. Hope thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for supporting autism.

A-4. Resolution in Support of Citrix Systems (Adopted)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded Mrs. Gottlieb, and carried, to adopt Resolution #09-83, in support of Citrix Systems. Mrs. Bartleman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Remarking that individuals related to Citrix were not in attendance, Ms. Dinnen read the resolution into the record. She stated it is very worthwhile for a company to participate in many aspects to help Broward County children.

Mr. Notter stated that Citrix is a leader for the support of public education and to place a business benchmark on it. The Superintendent informed that CEO Mark Templeton, over the past several years, has placed over \$1 million that private companies would match for executive training of the three-county school administrative staff, at the University of Virginia. In addition, they placed \$200,000 for the school system to provide training in project management and put up a dashboard so that the Board can locate any needed data.

Mr. Notter stated that the projects are going through a very well defined and aligned business process so that improvement can be made to the public school system with well-known international business benchmarks.

The Superintendent recognized Mark Templeton and the commitment of a home-grown company in Broward County.

- A-5. Resolution in Support of National Student Leaders' Week, April 19-25, 2009 (Adopted)

Adopted Resolution #09-84, in support of National Student Leaders' Week, April 19-25, 2009.

- A-6. Resolution in Support of Irish Heritage Month – March 2009 (Adopted)

Motion was made by Ms. Murray, seconded by Ms. Dinnen and carried, to adopt Resolution #09-85, in support of Irish Heritage Month – March 2009. Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

Following the vote on Agenda Item A-4, Ms. Dinnen requested re-opening the agenda to pull Agenda Item A-6.

Motion to Reopen Agenda (Carried)

Motion was made by Dr. Parks, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to reopen the agenda. Mrs. Bartleman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Dr. Parks pulled Agenda Item A-6.

Motion to Close Agenda (Carried)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to close the agenda. Mrs. Bartleman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Following the action of Agenda Item JJ-3, a motion was made to place Agenda Item A-6 on the table for discussion.

Ms. Dinnen read the resolution into the record.

Ms. Murray shared with the Board Irish humor, people and culture. She wished everyone a happy St. Patrick's Day. She informed her colleagues that the White House was designed by an Irishman and in Dublin, Ireland there is small version of the White House as the American Embassy.

Dr. Parks informed his colleagues that his great-grandfather immigrated from County Cork, Ireland to Philadelphia, and migrated to Key West, Florida, and was instrumental in building Fort Jefferson.

A-7. Resolution in Support of April 21, 2009 as a Day of Universal Reflection
(Adopted)

Adopted Resolution #09-86, in support of April 21, 2009, as a Day of Universal Reflection.

A-8. Resolution in Support of Teenage Safe Driving Awareness Week, April 20-25, 2009
(Adopted)

Motion was made by Dr. Parks, seconded by Ms. Gallagher and carried, to adopt Resolution #09-87, in support of Teenage Safe Driving Awareness Week – April 20-25, 2009.

Prior to the reading of the resolution into the record, Mrs. Gottlieb introduced Mr. Kyle Dailey, Curriculum Specialist, and Ms. Tara Kirschner, Executive Director, The Dori Schlosberg Foundation.

Following the reading of the resolution, Mr. Dailey informed the Board that an interactive webcast was developed to include a first of a series of six, and it is hopeful they will be moved to other districts and throughout the state. He stated that over 7,000 drivers education students are being serviced at this time, and the foundation is trying to get the Safe Driving message to everyone.

Ms. Kirschner informed the Board that The Dori Foundation does all aspects of highway safety but the main focus is teen driving. She stated that through the webcasts and through the foundation's association with all drivers education programs, especially Broward County's program, the goal is to get as many teens through the program and have as many teens hear the message as possible.

Mrs. Gottlieb stated that Representative Irv Slosberg, who named the foundation after his daughter Dori, who died in a fatal car accident, created a funding source to support these programs and drivers education. Mrs. Gottlieb thanked Representative Slosberg for his efforts in the past, and currently, to help students and children be safe on the roadways, and thanked Mr. Dailey and Ms. Kirschner for everything they are doing.

Mrs. Kraft reminded her colleagues that Representative Ari Porth is sponsoring a bill that incorporates a couple of the issues that were raised, which came from students during a contest to try to come up with issues that they wanted to be made into law.

Mrs. Kraft stated two high school groups came up with a similar issue; to raise the driving age from 15 to 16 and to have mandatory drivers education, and a bill to reduce the number of students driving in a car with a first-time licensed driver. Remarking that the resolution is very timely, Mrs. Kraft stated that unfortunately every year students are lost due to car accidents, the number one killer of teenage drivers.

Mr. Daily responded that as the driver's age has been raised in other states there is hard data that it does lower the fatality rates of teens.

Ms. Dinnen thanked the foundation for its hard work in this area.

A-9. Resolution in Support of High School Voter Registration Week, April 20-24, 2009 (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Gottlieb, seconded by Ms. Gallagher and carried, to adopt Resolution #09-88, in support of High School Voter Registration Week, April 20-24, 2009.

Dr. Brenda Snipes, Supervisor of Elections, who thanked the School Board for presenting the resolution, stated that the Voters Registration Drive is one of the most productive events that the Supervisor of Elections does; to engage young people in the election process.

Dr. Snipes stated that watching students attend the Educational Rally in Tallahassee is a full-circle experience for them and they understand the phases of the process.

Dr. Snipes introduced Mr. Gino Herring, Director, Voter Education and Outreach, former Broward Teacher. She stated that the Election Office is preparing for the season and hopefully will be able to keep the benchmark of 7,000 students, who participated in the last election cycle.

Mr. Herring informed the Board that in November there were 830 student poll workers, netting almost \$95,000 that went back to schools. In the general election held in March, 165 students participated. Almost 9,000 students were registered to vote for the November 2008 election and there was an increase in the 18 to 24 age group, from 17 percent to over 35 percent.

Mrs. Kraft requested a list of schools recruited and the number of participating students in terms of voting. Mrs. Kraft stated that J.P. Taravella received an award at the Kids Voting Luncheon.

Mr. Herring responded that a list will be provided to the Board.

Mr. Williams informed the Board that Boyd Anderson High School had the most number of student voting participants.

Mrs. Hope thanked Dr. Snipes and her staff for doing a great job with reaching out to children in Broward County. She informed her colleagues that Piper High School was third place in students voter participation.

Mrs. Murray stated that she was in attendance on the day students came in on the buses, and students were enthusiastic about voting and participating in the system. She thanked Dr. Snipes and her staff for their efforts.

Student Advisor Scott Schwartz informed the Board there are 102 students from 27 high schools who will be participating in the Educational Rally.

Mr. Williams stated that in October 2008 broadcast station CNN reported that Broward County school district had the largest number of students registered and involved in voting.

Mrs. Bartleman thanked Dr. Snipes for ensuring fair elections and registering students, and showing them the importance of voting.

A-10. Resolution in Support of April 2009 as Water Conversation Month
(Adopted)

Motion was made by Dr. Parks, seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb and carried, to adopt Resolution #09-89, in support of April 2008 as Water Conversation Month.

Dr. Parks informed that on March 14, 2009 the 7th Annual Broward Water Matters Day was held at Tree Tops Park, with over 1,000 individuals in attendance. Schools' environmental programs were showcased along with information booths on water conservation.

Following the reading of the resolution by Dr. Parks, introductions were made of Ms. Carol Morris, South Florida Management, Mr. Gary Hines, Resource Manager, and Ms. Lorraine Mayers, Broward Service Center and school outreach/speaker who visits schools and speaks on water conservation and preserving resources.

Dr. Parks discussed the school district's awareness in water conservation, such as the reuse project and partnership with the City of Pompano, new landscape and irrigation specifications using drought-tolerant, native plants, elimination of grassed areas, hedges, planting beds and maintenance costs, and no-flow, Habitat Stewardship and Water Conservation Program, and NatureScape which is water conservation and habitat restoration.

Dr. Parks further discussed other water conservation initiatives such as timer clocks at all schools, rain sensors on all new irrigation system installations and a preventive maintenance program for irrigation. In addition, an energy implementation program, School Dude, has begun which monitors water usage through monthly billing and the online tracking system. Dr. Parks stated that the school district has saved over \$416,000 with a project that installed well water for cooling towers and saved over \$61,000 for installation of water meters on cooling towers.

Ms. Morris, who thanked the School Board for recognizing Water Conservation Month, stated that even though the district is still under irrigation restrictions, gratitude was extended to the district for keeping water conservation in the forefront of people's minds.

Mrs. Kraft requested that water conservation information can be posted on the district's website, water conservation in general and what the district is doing.

Dr. Parks informed that staff will establish a website that includes various links to the district's home page, providing facilities information and best practices for kids, identify kids' ecology clubs at schools and what they are doing.

A-11. Resolution for New Issue of State Board of Education (S.B.E.) – Capital Outlay Bonds, Series 2009 (Adopted)

Adopted Resolution #09-90, "A Resolution of The School Board of Broward County, Florida, requesting the issuance by The State Board of Education of Florida of \$1,160,000 Capital Outlay Bonds for and on behalf of such Board for the purpose hereinafter stated."

One of the oldest (since 1953-54) and most restrictive sources of fixed capital outlay funds available to school districts is the Motor Vehicle License Tax Revenue also known as capital outlay and debt service funds, (CO&DS). Each fiscal year the Florida Department of Education – Office of Educational Facilities Budgeting calculates the COBI bonding capacity for each of the 67 school districts. The legal authority for COBI is Article XII, Section 9(d), of the Constitution of the State of Florida. School districts must decide each year whether or not to leverage their CO&DS funds and participate in the next State Board of Education Capital Outlay Bond Issue (COBI). This item is required for Broward to participate in the 2009 bond sale.

This bond resolution lists the capital outlay projects for which the bond proceeds are to be expended. Those projects listed must appear on the district's Project Priority List. They are checked for eligibility and approval by the Department of Education.

This list is developed from projects recommended in the educational plant survey, determined by Section 2.1(4), State Requirements for Educational Facilities (SREF) 2006, and approved by the State Board of Education. Broward's PPL was approved by the School Board on December 21, 2004, and the Revised Educational Plant Survey for 2001-2008 was approved by the School Board on September 18, 2007.

This item creates a positive financial impact of an estimated \$1,160,000 less fees from the State Board of Administration for the sale of the SBE Capital Outlay Bonds 2009 with a twenty-year maturity. The proceeds of this Capital Outlay Bond Issue will go toward funding the projects included in the resolution that are included in the approved Project Priority List, the approved Educational Plant Survey 2001-2008 and the 2008-09 Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan.

B. BOARD MEMBERS

B-1. Affiliation with Florida School Boards Association, Inc. (Approved)

Approved membership in the Florida School Boards Association (FSBA).

Florida School Boards Association will continue to provide valuable services to the local school board members.

Those services include researching issues of legislative importance to school systems in Florida and representing their views before the legislature, the State Board of Education, and other organizations interested in public education. Additionally, FSBA provides leadership training for school board members and, as an added benefit, all members of the Association are covered by a \$100,000 accidental death and dismemberment insurance policy.

The financial impact to the school district is \$22,718. The source of the funds is the Board Members' department budget.

B-2. Census 2010 Complete Count Committee, Education Subcommittee
(Approved)

Appointed Beverly A. Gallagher, School Board Member, to serve on the Census 2010 Complete Count Committee as Chair on the Education Subcommittee.

The mission of the 2010 Complete Count Committee is to guarantee a fair allocation of federal funding for important local community efforts and maintain accurate legislative representation by ensuring every Broward County resident is counted in the 2010 Census.

The role of the Education Subcommittee is to work to spread awareness about the Census throughout all of Broward County's educational outlets. The Chair of the subcommittee would chair the meeting and work to set the agenda, which will mirror the objectives, and goals that are set out by both the Census Bureau's Complete County Committee Guide as well as the County's complete Count Committee goals. The subcommittee is requested to meet approximately once a month for the remainder of 2009. Beginning in 2010 there may be the need to meet twice a month.

There is no financial impact to the school district.

D. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF AUDITOR

D-1. Internal Property Audit Report – Property and Inventory Audits of Selected Locations 2008-2009 (Received)

Motion was made by Mrs. Kraft, seconded by Ms. Gallagher and carried, to receive Internal Property Audit Report – Property and Inventory Audits of Selected Locations 2008-2009. Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

Property and Inventory Audits of Selected Locations were performed, as authorized by the Florida Statute 2740.02(2), School Board Policy 1002.1, and School Board Policy 3204.

The Audit report represents 18 locations, in which a total of 16 locations had no exceptions and 2 locations had exceptions.

The Audit Committee reviewed and approved this report for transmittal to the School Board during the Committee's February 5, 2009 meeting.

The source of funds to perform the Internal Property Audit Reports was the General Fund budget allocation for the Office of the Chief Auditor. There is no additional financial impact to the school district.

Ms. Gallagher requested that staff provide an update; provide the Board the progress in locating the items and the consequences that occurred.

Mr. Patrick Reilly, Chief Auditor, Office of the Chief Auditor, informed the Board that the report contains 18 audits and 16 of the audits were clean reports, and two reports contained issues. Mr. Reilly stated that staff, Area Superintendents, department heads are working on the audits and a training manual has been developed and used. In addition, the items are tracked from purchase through a Surplus Committee for final documentation.

Mr. Reilly further stated that the whole process with property inventory is form driven; how to bring an item in, how to transfer out for surplus. He said the past practice and "bottleneck" has been removed, and the biggest plus is the individual locations monitoring their inventory.

Ms. Murray stated that proper training is important so that people are familiar with the process and accountability is important in tracking down inventory.

Mr. Notter informed the Board that Mr. Tom Getz, Director, Capital Planning and Programs, was head of a committee that was formed as a result of all of the audits and inventory, to indicate the process in writing, and then put it under a "microscope" as a flow, to identify any of the areas that need strengthening. The Superintendent stated that he reviewed their final recommendations and they will be presented to the Executive Leadership Team on March 30, 2009.

Remarking that the list is better than past lists, Mrs. Hope expressed gratitude to staff for their efforts.

E. CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER

E-1. Additional Recommendations on Existing Contracts Less Than \$500,000
(Approved)

Approved default of recommendation on the following contract:

1. 28-033R– Security and Sport Lighting Systems, Survey Identification, Preventive Maintenance, Repair and Installation (CO-OP)

It is recommended the School Board declare HDS Lighting, Inc., in default of contract based on lack of performance of the bid conditions of the subject bid. HDS Lighting, Inc., has repeatedly overbilled for labor and parts since award of this contract. HDS Lighting, Inc., has been notified and given opportunity to correct deficiencies on no less than three occasions and repeatedly failed to correct same. HDS Lighting, Inc., has failed to respond with correct invoices within the time frames established. It is further recommended HDS Lighting, Inc., be removed from the bid list for two years, and that no bids considered from the vendor be recommended for award, and that no Purchase Orders be released to this vendor. This Default recommendation is in accordance with General Conditions 22, 23, and 53 of ITB 28-033R.

The Physical Plant Operations Department will provide interim service until a new bid is awarded.

There is no financial impact to the district.

E-2. Authorization to Release Request for Proposal (RFP) 10-018N
(Approved)

Approved to authorize the release of the following RFP: 10-1018N

<u>RFP#</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Department</u>
10-018N	Healthcare Services	Health Education Services

SBBC desires to receive proposals for providing school healthcare services as described within. The RFP listed above seeks proposals from qualified firms for one of the following procurement criteria: 1) technology; 2) financial services; 3) health and safety; or 4) other procurements which generate revenue. A copy of the RFP listed is attached for the School Board's consideration.

The scope of services provided will include, but not be limited to, healthcare services to eligible students in accordance with the School Health Services Act, Florida Statute 381.10056 and the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) as currently enacted or amended from time to time. In addition, pediatric nursing experience, medical training and educational assistance are required as specified herein.

There is no financial impact to the district.

F. CURRICULUM/EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS & STUDENT SUPPORT

F-1. Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program Planning, Design and Implementation 2009-2012 RISE Education Schools, Inc. (RISE Academy)
(Approved)

Approved the Project Application for RISE Education Schools, Inc., (RISE Academy) Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program Planning, Design and Implementation 2009-2012.

The purpose of the Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program is to increase the number of high quality charter schools and to improve student achievement by providing financial assistance for the planning, program design and implementation costs for charter schools. Priority is to first-year charter schools approved to open during the 2009-2010 school year.

A copy of the full grant application is available in the Board Members' office on the 14th floor of the KC Wright Building, and the public stand in the lobby of the KC Wright Building.

There is no financial impact to the district if this item is approved.

- F-2. Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program Planning, Design and Implementation 2009-2012 Charter School of Excellence, Inc. (Charter School of Excellence at XYZ) Formerly known as Charter School of Excellence at North Lauderdale (Approved)

Motion was made by Dr. Parks, seconded by Mrs. Bartleman and carried, to approve the Project Application for Charter School of Excellence, Inc., (Charter School of Excellence at XYZ) Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program Planning, Design and Implementation 2009-2012. Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

The purpose of the Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program is to increase the number of high quality charter schools and to improve student achievement by providing financial assistance for the planning, program design and implementation costs for charter schools. Priority is to first-year charter schools approved to open during the 2009-2010 school year.

A copy of the full grant application is available in the Board Members' office on the 14th floor of the KC Wright Building, and the public stand in the lobby of the KC Wright Building.

There is no financial impact to the district if this item is approved.

Dr. Parks stated that his concerns were addressed by staff.

- F-3. Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program Planning, Design and Implementation 2009-2012 Charter School of Excellence, Inc. (Charter School of Excellence 04-09) (Approved)

Approved the Project Application for Charter School of Excellence, Inc., (Charter School of Excellence 04-09) Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program Planning, Design and Implementation 2009-2012.

The purpose of the Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program is to increase the number of high quality charter schools and to improve student achievement by providing financial assistance for the planning, program design and implementation costs for charter schools. Priority is to first-year charter schools approved to open during the 2009-2010 school year.

A copy of the full grant application is available in the Board Members' office on the 14th floor of the KC Wright Building, and the public stand in the lobby of the KC Wright Building.

There is no financial impact to the district if this item is approved.

- F-4. Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program Planning, Design and Implementation 2009-2012 Charter School of Excellence, Inc. (Charter School of Excellence 05-09) (Approved)

Approved the Project Application for Charter School of Excellence, Inc., (Charter School of Excellence 05-09) Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program Planning, Design and Implementation 2009-2012.

The purpose of the Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program is to increase the number of high quality charter schools and to improve student achievement by providing financial assistance for the planning, program design and implementation costs for charter schools. Priority is to first-year charter schools approved to open during the 2009-2010 school year.

A copy of the full grant application is available in the Board Members' office on the 14th floor of the KC Wright Building, and the public stand in the lobby of the KC Wright Building.

There is no financial impact to the district if this item is approved.

- F-5. Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program Planning, Design and Implementation 2009-2012 Florida High School for College and Career Success – Broward County Campus, Inc. (Florida High School for College and Career Success – Broward County Campus) (Approved)

Approved the Project Application for Florida High School for College and Career Success – Broward County Campus, Inc. (Florida High School for College and Career Success – Broward County Campus) Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program Planning, Design and Implementation 2009-2012.

The purpose of the Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program is to increase the number of high quality charter schools and to improve student achievement by providing financial assistance for the planning, program design and implementation costs for charter schools. Priority is to first-year charter schools approved to open during the 2009-2010 school year.

A copy of the full grant application is available in the Board Members' office on the 14th floor of the KC Wright Building, and the public stand in the lobby of the KC Wright Building.

There is no financial impact to the district if this item is approved.

- F-6. Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program Planning, Design and Implementation 2009-2012 Mount Hermon Educational Corporation of South Florida, Inc. (Henry McNeal Turner Learning Academy) (Approved)

Approved the Project Application for Mount Hermon Educational Corporation of South Florida, Inc., (Henry McNeal Turner Learning Academy) Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program Planning, Design and Implementation 2009-2012.

The purpose of the Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program is to increase the number of high quality charter schools and to improve student achievement by providing financial assistance for the planning, program design and implementation costs for charter schools. Priority is to first-year charter schools approved to open during the 2009-2010 school year.

A copy of the full grant application is available in the Board Members' office on the 14th floor of the KC Wright Building, and the public stand in the lobby of the KC Wright Building.

There is no financial impact to the district if this item is approved.

- F-7. Grant Applications (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Hope, seconded by Dr. Parks and carried, to approve the submission of grant applications to: Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

- A. Achieving Excellence in Education Grants, \$1,200
- B. Airborne Teacher Trust Fund, \$2,830
- C. Best Buy Children's Foundation Te@ch Grant Program, \$2,000
- D. Community Foundation of Broward's Animal Welfare Program, \$15,000
- E. Miami Dolphins Youth Programs Grant, \$500
- F. Miramar Pembroke Pines Regional Chamber of Commerce, \$870
- G. NEA Foundation Learning and Leadership Grants, \$6,000
- H. Play It Smart Grant Program, \$60,000
- I. Science Teacher Tools Grant, \$1,709
- J. Target Field Trip, \$2,950

Copies of the full grant applications are available at the public stand in the lobby of the KC Wright Building and at the Board Members' Office on the 14th Floor of the KC Wright Building.

The positive financial impact is \$96,319 from various sources. There is no additional financial impact to the school district.

Mrs. Hope stated that the grant administrator met with her during the luncheon recess and addressed her concerns.

F-8. Continuation Agreements with Various Health Care Facilities
(Approved)

Approved the continuation agreements between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, State of Florida, Department of Health and West Boca Medical Center.

Health Science Education programs provide secondary and postsecondary career and technical students with clinical learning experiences through contractual agreements with hospitals, nursing homes, and other facilities.

The continuation agreements with State of Florida, Department of Health and West Boca Medical Center will provide clinical experiences to Broward County Schools' Health Science Education students. On-site clinical experiences are necessary to meet curriculum frameworks, student performance standards, and requirements of regulatory agencies for students to qualify for certification/licensure examinations upon program completion.

The Health Science Education programs that are located at 24 high schools are: Allied Health Assisting, First Responder and Practical Nursing.

The Health Science Education programs that are located at the technical centers are: Central Service Technology, Dental Assisting, Medical Coder/Biller, Electrocardiograph (Cardiovascular) Technology, Health Unit Coordinator, Hemodialysis Technician, Massage Therapy, Medical Assistant, Medical Records Transcribing, Medical Lab Technology, Optometric Technician, Patient Care Technician, Pharmacy Technician, Practical Nursing, Emergency Medical Technician and Surgical Technology. Currently, The School Board of Broward County, Florida has 43 School Board approved agreements with various health care facilities.

West Boca Medical Center will sign following School Board approval. These agreements have been reviewed and approved as to form and legal content by the School Board Attorney.

There is no financial impact to the district.

F-9. Authorization for the Superintendent of Schools to Notify the Governing Board of Messianique Training Center and Institute, Inc., of the Proposed Renewal of its Charter School Agreement (Approved)

Authorized the Superintendent of Schools to notify the Governing Board of Messianique Training Center and Institute, Inc., of the proposed renewal of its Charter School Agreement.

On July 20, 1999, SBBC approved a Charter School Agreement enabling Messianique Training Center and Institute, Inc., ("Charter School Institute and Training Center") to open in two campuses: one in Hallandale and one in Fort Lauderdale. The Hallandale Campus opened in the fall of 1999 and the Fort Lauderdale Campus opened the following year. The original contract was effective for a 10-year period ending on June 30, 2009.

It is requested that SBBC authorize the Superintendent of Schools to notify the governing body of Charter School Institute and Training Center" of the proposed one-year renewal of its Charter School Agreement between SBBC and of its remedial recommendations to be implemented in the renewal Charter Agreement. Additional information is included in the Executive Summary.

This item has been approved as to form and legal content by the School Board Attorney.

There is no financial impact to the district.

F-10. Authorization for the Superintendent of Schools to Notify the Governing Board of Learning Excellence Foundation of West Broward, Inc., of the Proposed Renewal of the Charter School Agreement (Approved)

Authorized the Superintendent of Schools to notify the Governing Board of Learning Excellence Foundation of West Broward, Inc., of the proposed renewal of the Charter School Agreement.

On May 15, 2001, The School Board of Broward County, Florida ("SBBC"), approved a Charter School Agreement enabling Learning Excellence Foundation of West Broward, Inc., to open a charter school, Imagine at Weston.

It is requested that SBBC authorize the Superintendent of Schools to notify the governing body of Learning Excellence Foundation of West Broward, Inc., of the proposed renewal Charter School Agreement. Additional information is included in the Executive Summary.

This item has been approved as to form and legal content by the School Board Attorney.

There is no financial impact to the district.

- F-11. Authorization for the Superintendent of Schools to Notify the Governing Board of Learning Excellence Foundation of East Broward, Inc., of the Proposed Renewal of the Charter School Agreement (NLE) (Approved)

Authorized the Superintendent of Schools to notify the Governing Board of Learning Excellence Foundation of East Broward, Inc., of the proposed renewal of the Charter School Agreement.

On June 19, 2001, The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC), approved a Charter School Agreement enabling Learning Excellence Foundation of East Broward, Inc., to open a charter school, Imagine at North Lauderdale.

It is requested that SBBC authorize the Superintendent of Schools to notify the governing body of Learning Excellence Foundation of East Broward, Inc., of the proposed one year renewal term and of remedial measures to be implemented in the renewal Charter School Agreement. Additional information is included in the Executive Summary.

This item has been approved as to form and legal content by the School Board Attorney.

There is no financial impact to the district.

- F-12. Authorization for the Superintendent of Schools to Notify the Governing Board of Learning Excellence Foundation of East Broward, Inc., of the Proposed Renewal of the Charter School Agreement (NLM) (Approved)

Authorized the Superintendent of Schools to notify the Governing Board of Learning Excellence Foundation of East Broward, Inc., of the proposed renewal of the Charter School Agreement. On June 18, 2002, The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC), approved a Charter School Agreement enabling Learning Excellence Foundation of East Broward, Inc., to open a charter school, Imagine at North Lauderdale Middle.

It is requested that SBBC authorize the Superintendent of Schools to notify the governing body Learning Excellence Foundation of East Broward, Inc., of the proposed one-year renewal term and of remedial measures and recommendations to be implemented in the renewal Charter School Agreement. Additional information is included in the Executive Summary.

This item has been approved as to form and legal content by the School Board Attorney.

There is no financial impact to the district.

G. HUMAN RESOURCES

G-1. Personnel Recommendations for Instructional Appointments and Leaves for 2008-2009 School Year (Approved)

Approved the personnel recommendations for the 2008-2009 appointments and leaves as listed on the Executive Summary and respective lists for Instructional staff. All recommendations are made with the understanding that these individuals will comply with regulations/policies as set forth by the Florida State Department of Education and The School Board of Broward County, Florida.

The Personnel Recommendations for Instructional Employees include the following items:

1. Teacher Approvals
2. Substitute Teacher Approvals
3. Interim Substitute Teachers
4. Temporary Hourly Teacher Approvals
5. Teacher Extension of Calendar
6. Instructional Leaves

There will be no financial impact to the school district. Funding for the positions has been allocated in the school and department budgets.

G-2. Personnel Recommendations for Instructional Separation of Employment or Discipline for the 2008-2009 School Year (Approved as amended)

Approved the personnel recommendations for separation of employment or discipline as listed in the respective lists for instructional staff. All recommendations are made with the understanding that these individuals will comply with regulations/policies as set forth by the Florida State Department of Education and The School Board of Broward County, Florida. This item was amended to reflect Reason/Effective Date of one individual.

The Personnel Recommendations for Instructional Employees include the following items:

1. Instructional Resignations/Retirements/Layoffs
2. Instructional Suspensions/Terminations

There will be no financial impact to the school district.

G-3. Personnel Recommendations for Non-Instructional Appointments and Leaves for the 2008-2009 School Year (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Kraft, seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb and carried, to approve the personnel recommendations for appointments and reassignments as listed on the Executive Summary, respective lists and individual appointments for Non-Instructional Employees. All recommendations are made pending security clearance and with the understanding that these individuals will comply with regulations/policies as set forth by the Florida State Department of Education and The School Board of Broward County, Florida.

The Personnel Recommendations for Non-Instructional Employees include the following sections:

1. Non-Instructional Approval(s)
2. Non-Instructional Reassignment(s) – Promotion(s)
3. Non-Instructional Reassignment(s) – Demotion(s)
4. Non-Instructional Substitutes/Temporaries
5. Non-Instructional Leave(s)-Layoff(s)
6. District Managerial/Professional/Technical
7. Reassignment of Current School-Based/District Managerial/Professional Technical Personnel
8. School-Based Managerial
9. School-Based/District Managerial Acting/Special/Task Assignment(s)
10. School-Based/District Managerial/Professional/Technical Leave(s)
11. Salary Adjustment

Funding has been budgeted in 08-09 fiscal year for all appointments through June 30, 2009.

Mrs. Hope voiced concern with the Employee Relations Specialist position, and requested a deferral.

Motion to Separate (Carried)

Motion was made by Mrs. Hope, seconded by Ms. Gallagher and carried, to separate the Specialist, Employee Relations position, C-014, from the agenda item for discussion.

A unanimous vote was taken on the remaining items under Agenda Item G-3.

Newly-appointed district personnel were recognized and congratulated.

Motion to Table (Carried)

Motion was made by Dr. Parks, seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb and carried, to table the item until after the luncheon recess.

A vote was taken on the Motion to Table.

Following discussion by the Board, Dr. Parks suggested that Mrs. Strong explain the item at this time.

Motion to Remove the Item From Table (Carried)

Motion was made by Dr. Parks, seconded by Mrs. Bartleman and carried, to remove the item from the table.

Mrs. Strong explained that the School Board received the posting on March 10, 2009 for today's Board meeting. She stated that previously the Board had requested that for every position coming forward as a new appointment, that staff provide a rationale for the appointment.

Mrs. Strong informed there are five positions – Employee Relations Specialists in the Employee Relations department, two positions having been vacant for several months. A review was made to improve the effectiveness and the efficiencies of meeting the needs of district employees, union groups and meet and confer groups, and it was determined to bring in a school perspective within the department.

Remarking that said none of the Employee Specialists have been teachers or school-based administrators, Mrs. Strong stated that on a Task Assigned basis a request is being made that Mr. Chris Bolden be appointed Task Assigned Employee Relations Specialist; his contract would remain the same as an Assistant Principal. She stated this would provide for increased knowledge for individuals in the Employee Relations department of the schools' function and it would also be an advocate to administrators and employees in the schools, who could give first-hand information about what happens in Employee Relations.

Ms. Gallagher inquired whether another Assistant Principal would be appointed to replace Mr. Bolden. Ms. Gallagher stated she was concerned about taking this action, as there is the possibility of cutting positions at the school level.

Ms. Strong responded that he will be replaced at the school levels, as long as they have the position.

Mr. Notter stated that in terms of promotion, Mr. Bolden will be brought over at his current salary and on an 11-month contract, which is counter to what the district has ever done. He stated this action is being taken because of the economic downturn.

The Superintendent further stated that based on the data of increased grievances and the need to bring staff to a higher level, a determination was made to move forward. Mr. Notter stated that the ultimate replacement for Mr. Bolden will involve a Board presentation by the principals, initially a school-based decision working in conjunction with the Area Superintendent. Based on the economic downturn, based on the dollars the school has to cut, the decision will be made between the Principal and the Area Superintendent, and ultimately with the Superintendent to ensure a checks and balance system is in place.

Ms. Gallagher stated, if this is an opening that is needed it is a good idea to have an assistant principal in the position because a fresh perspective is needed for negotiations. She reiterated her concern that somebody else would be promoted to an AP vacancy and then have five aides at the school laid off. Ms. Gallagher stated that everything that occurs from this moment on will have a trickle-down effect somewhere else.

Concurring, Dr. Parks stated that the work-load will increase in Employee Relations if the Task Position is not filled. He stated that teachers received a 3.5 percent increase in pay this year, like every employee, but they decided not to accept it and go into impasse, dollars which were approved by the Board. Dr. Parks further stated that the stimulus package is one-time only, not reoccurring, and it is not geared toward salaries.

Mrs. Bartleman stated that tough decisions are coming, there will be individuals who will be laid off and lose their positions. She urged everyone to contact the Legislature as the district is forced to make these cuts because public education is not being funded.

Mr. Williams stated that there has been no indication that the district is laying off anyone at this point. He stated that the Task Assignment position is needed.

Responding to Mrs. Hope's inquiry, Mrs. Strong stated that the agenda item includes the salary schedule for the position, and the Assistant Principal position requires a minimum qualification to complete the training program for Assistant Principals, hold a master's degree, and have certification in Educational Leadership. She stated that the salary amount remains the same as Mr. Bolden makes currently as an Assistant Principal, and he will only get a raise if the Board approves raises for those employees under that classification.

Mrs. Hope stated that the Board needs to be consistent, such that teachers are being told they cannot be given raises and then individuals are placed in positions that could possibly get raises.

Mrs. Hope voiced concern that the issue is before the Board, since the position does not seem to be an emergency and currently there are individuals handling negotiation matters with unions.

Mrs. Strong responded, there are many tasks performed by Employee Specialists and three people cannot handle the voluminous grievances that have doubled. She stated that she and Mrs. Susan Dumala, Director, Employee Relations, are also hearing grievances. Mrs. Strong noted that additional resources are needed, as there have been times when staff has failed to meet the timelines in grievances and extensions have been approved by the unions.

Ms. Dinnen stated that the position is not permanent and the school has the option of replacing Mr. Bolden, depending on their budget. She said that grievances are also the life-blood of the collective bargaining process and if grievances are not addressed properly, the collective bargaining situation is put in jeopardy. Remarking that the Board has to be judicious about any appointments, Ms. Dinnen stated that lay-offs will not occur this week, but they may happen in the future.

Mrs. Hope stated she would reluctantly support the position since there are about 500 open positions, and many employees are overloaded with work.

A unanimous vote was taken on the Task Assigned position.

Mrs. Gottlieb recognized and congratulated Mr. Bolden on his new position.

G-4. Personnel Recommendations for Non-Instructional Separation of Employment or Discipline(s) for the 2008-2009 School Year (Approved)

Approved the personnel recommendations for separation of employment or discipline as listed on the respective lists for Non-Instructional staff. All recommendations are made with the understanding that these individuals will comply with regulations/policies as set forth by the Florida State Department of Education and The School Board of Broward County, Florida.

The Personnel Recommendations include the following items:

Non-Instructional Resignation(s)/Retirement(s)
Non-Instructional Suspension(s)/Termination(s)

Managerial and Professional/Technical Resignation(s)/Retirement(s)
Managerial and Professional/Technical Suspension(s)/Termination(s)

There is no financial impact to the school district.

G-5. Supplemental Pay Positions – List #15

(Approved)

Approved the recommended supplemental pay positions of employees for the 2008-2009 school/ fiscal year.

Employees are recommended for supplemental pay positions by Principals or Department Supervisors and approved by the Area Superintendent or appropriate Division Head. Supplemental positions are listed alphabetically by last name, with location and supplement type.

The Specific Supplemental Pay Positions include the following type of supplements: Secondary department chairpersons high school; secondary department chairpersons and/or team leaders middle school; elementary grade level chairpersons and/or team leaders; athletic supplements; general supplements; and special supplements for the 2008-2009 school year.

Individuals may be recommended for task assignments that improve the school's/ department's programs and/or operations. A computer-generated list of those names is printed and reveals all individuals recommended for Non-Specific (SPL). Non-Specific Supplements are additional Task Assignments performed beyond the employee's regular day based on the recommendations of the direct supervisor.

Individuals listed meet the requirements for the supplemental positions. The total number of Supplements recommended in this item is ~~502~~ **496**.

Funding has been budgeted in 08-09 fiscal year for all supplements through June 30, 2009.

H. ATTORNEY

I. OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

J. FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

J-1. Change Orders

(Approved)

Approved change orders as listed for various school projects.

<u>Attucks Middle</u>		Change Order 04	\$8,876
Consultant Error	\$8,876		
<u>Elementary C - New School (f.k.a G1)</u>		Change Order 03	\$129,739
Unforeseen Condition	\$129,739		
<u>Elementary Z - New School (Area A1)</u>		Change Order 01	\$325,423
Consultant Error	\$325,423		

<u>McFatter Technical Center</u>		Change Order 02	\$11,281
Owner Request	\$8,551		
Unforeseen Condition	\$2,730		
<u>Pembroke Pines Elementary</u>		Change Order 03	\$-12,684 (CREDIT)
Consultant Error	\$-13,556 (CREDIT)		
Owner Request	\$872		
<u>Royal Palm Elementary</u>		Change Order 35	\$53,452
Consultant Error	\$1,050		
Owner Request	\$52,402		
<u>Village Elementary</u>		Change Order 08	\$37,658
Consultant Error	\$11,658		
Unforeseen Condition	\$26,000		
<u>Western High</u>		Change Order 01	\$100,788
Owner Request	\$100,788		

There is no additional financial impact to the district the above projects.

- J-2. Reduction of Retainage – Hyvac Inc. – Additions & Alterations to HVAC – Coconut Creek Elementary School – Project No. P.000276 (f.k.a.1421-98-05) (Approved)

Approved the recommendation to reduce retainage now being held on Coconut Creek Elementary School, Project No. P.000276 from the prime contractor, Hyvac Inc., from \$17,234 to \$6,800.

In accordance with School Board Policy 7005, the Facilities and Construction Management Division is recommending that the retainage be reduced from \$17,234 to \$6,800.

The amount of \$10,000 (\$6,800 retainage and \$3,200 for work to be completed) is being withheld at this time pending final completion of this project.

Subsequent to final completion, this project will be brought back to the Board for Final Acceptance and Release of Retainage.

The funds being released totaling \$10,434 are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, page 44.

- J-3. Final Construction Documents and Authorization to Bid Under Construction Services Minor Projects Contract – Roof Replacement – The Quest Center, Hollywood – P.001148 (Approved)

Approved Final Construction Documents and Authorization to Bid under Construction Services Minor Projects Contracts for The Quest Center, Roof Replacement, Project No. P.001148 (f.k.a 1021-07-17).

Project Consultant: Facilities and Construction Management
Division
Scope of Work: Replace roof on building No. 1.

The source of the funds are identified in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, Districtwide Roofing. Final Construction Documents are available for review at the Facilities and Construction Management Division.

It is anticipated that the total cost of this project will be \$974,077. The source of funds are identified in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, Districtwide Roofing, page 29 of Appendix E of the ADEFP 2007-2008 to 2011-2012.

- J-4. Final Acceptance and Release of Retainage – Balfour Beatty Construction, Inc. – 24-Classroom Addition – Lyons Creek Middle School, Coconut Creek – Project No. P.001091 (f.k.a. 3101-25-46)
(Approved)

Approved the Final Acceptance of the Lyons Creek Middle School, 24-Classroom Addition, Project No. P.001091, and release the balance of retainage in the amount of \$100.

The contractor, Balfour Beatty Construction, Inc., has completed the project within the adjusted contract limits.

The funds being released totaling \$100 were in a previously Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years, 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, page 113.

- J-5. Reduction of Retainage – Balfour Beatty Construction, Inc. – 24-Classroom Addition – Park Trails Elementary School, Parkland – Project No. P.000652 (f.k.a. 3781-25-46)
(Approved)

Approved the recommendation to reduce retainage now being held on Park Trails Elementary School, 24-Classroom Addition, Project No. P.000652 for the Contractor Balfour Beatty Construction, Inc., from \$214,470 to \$10,000.

In accordance with School Board Policy 7005, the Facilities and Construction Management Department is recommending that the retainage be reduced from \$214,470 to \$10,000. The amount of \$10,000 is being withheld pending final completion of the project.

The Contractor cannot complete the site work per the contract due to the existing portables on site. The incomplete balance has been credited back to the project.

The balance of the site work will be completed under a separate project as soon as the portables are removed. This project will be brought back to the Board for Final Acceptance and Release of Retainage.

The funds being released totaling \$204,470 were in a previously Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years, 2006-2007 to 2010-2011, page 64.

- J-6. Final Construction Documents which include Authorization to Advertise for Bids – HVAC Additions & Alterations – Hallandale High School – Project No. P.000896 (f.k.a. 0403-99-05) (Approved)

Approved Final Construction Documents, which include Authorization to Advertise for Bids for Hallandale High School, HVAC Additions & Alterations, Project No. P.000896.

Project Consultant: Dyanki, Inc.
Scope of Work: Replace 18 air handling units, 1 new cafeteria air handler,
1 new 600 ton chiller with associated cooling tower and pumps, new media center rooftop unit, 4 new exhaust fans, new chilled water control valves and piping on all units, new outside air fans, duct and dampers, 26 new electrical duct heaters, new direct digital controls throughout the campus, complete test and balance on air and chilled water systems.
Contract Estimate: \$3,200,000

Final Construction Documents, which include the advertisement for bids are available for review at the Facilities and Construction Management Division.

There is no financial impact. The sources of funds are identified in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, page 183.

- J-7. Award of Contract – Gardening Angel Nursery, Inc. – Ground Covers, Shrubs, Palms, & Trees – Bid No. 2009-01-FC (Approved)

Approved Award of Contract to the low bidder meeting the bid specifications, Gardening Angel Nursery, Inc., for Ground Covers, Shrubs, Palms & Trees, Bid No. 2009-01-FC for a total contract amount of \$700,000.

Scope of Work: The term of this contract shall be for three years and may be extended for two additional one year periods and, if needed, 90 days beyond the expiration date of the final renewal period. Prices quoted shall include delivery to various schools, departments, and centers within Broward County, Florida. All prices quoted must be firm throughout the contract period. Items will be ordered on an as needed basis. The awardee will receive individual purchase orders specifying the school's name and ship to the address as determined by the Facilities & Construction Management Division. SBBC locations may issue open (blanket) purchase orders as required

There is no financial impact. This item is not affecting the overall budget; therefore it does not require a collaboration form from the Capital Budget Department

- J-8. Final Construction Documents and Authorization to Bid Under Construction Services Minor Projects Contract – Automotive Technology Lab – Coconut Creek High School, Coconut Creek – P.001215
(Approved)

Approved Final Construction Documents and Authorization to Bid under Construction Services Minor Projects Contracts for Coconut Creek High School, Automotive Technology Lab, Project No. P.001215.

Project Consultant: Cubellis-sgr
Scope of Work: Renovate two existing classrooms (Bldg #4 – FISH #311 & #312) into one for a new High School Automotive Technology Lab.

The source of the funds are identified in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan 2008-2009 to 2012-2013.

Final Construction Documents are available for review at the Facilities and Construction Management Division.

It is anticipated that the total cost of this project will be \$929,500. The source of funds are identified in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, page 128.

- J-9. Use Agreements with Nova Southeastern University for the South Florida Summer Leadership Training Camps (Approved)

Approved Use Agreements with Nova Southeastern University for the South Florida Summer Leadership Training Camps.

Nova Southeastern University will be used for two South Florida Summer Leadership Training Camps, sponsored by the Department of Student Activities and Athletics. There will be a South Florida Summer Leadership Training Camp and an Advanced Leadership Training Camp. The School Board has used this facility for the high school leadership camp for over ten years with a total of approximately 300 participants.

The Advanced Training Camp will be held from June 8, 2009 through June 11, 2009. The second Training Camp will be held from July 20, 2009 through July 25, 2009.

Funding for the workshops are from registration fees paid by the participants.

Nova Southeastern University will execute the agreement after the School Board's approval.

The School Board Attorney has approved these contracts as to form and legal content.

There is no financial impact to the school district. The source of funds will be student registration fees which will be paid by the delegates.

- J-10. Guaranteed Maximum Price – Royal Concrete Concepts, Inc. – Construct New Storage Facility – Kids in Need (Broward Education Foundation), Fort Lauderdale – Use of Contract for Palm Beach County Public Schools – Project No. P.001240 (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Hope, seconded by Dr. Parks and carried, to approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) in the amount of \$826,130 for Royal Concrete Concepts, Inc., for the design and construction of a 8232 gross square feet storage building, Project No. P.001240. Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

The scope of this Guaranteed Maximum Price includes the design and construction of the new storage building reusing the Palm Beach County School Contract with Royal Concrete Concepts, Inc.

This building will provide the Broward Education Foundation Kids In Need program with storage space for school supplies for distribution as needed. Site work is not included in this proposal. A board item for this expenditure will be forthcoming upon the completion of Civil Engineering. The Royal Concrete Concepts, Inc., Palm Beach County Contract is available for review at the Facilities and Construction Management Division.

There is no financial impact. The source of funds are identified in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, appendix E, page 39.

Mr. Notter informed the Board that Ms. Gallagher had inquired why classroom space is not being used instead of building a storage facility for the Broward Education Foundation.

Mr. Garretson responded that the BEF will be co-located with the PTA Clothing Bank which is a good symbiotic relationship, buy clothing and school supplies. In addition, \$800,000 is FEMA reimbursement for the facility that was destroyed at Fort Lauderdale High School, with the district's investment being \$24,000. Mr. Garretson stated that the location is on seven bus lines, on US 1 and north of 17th Street.

Remarking that she is familiar with the operation and the individuals who work at the PTA, Mrs. Murray stated that more young students are coming in everyday because of their needs. Ms. Murray stated this is a plus and a win-win situation for the district, to supply items for students and help families in their time of need.

Mr. Garretson informed that the vast majority of the supplies are donated by Staples corporation.

- J-11. Increase Supplemental/Reimbursable Fees for Services/Professional Services Agreement – M.C. Harry and Associates, Inc. – New Kitchen/Cafeteria – Cooper City High School, Cooper City – Project No. P.000385 (f.k.a. 1931-23-02) (Approved)

Approved the increase to the Supplemental/Reimbursable Fees from \$27,161 to \$55,561 for the Professional Services Agreement dated March 1, 2005 between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and M.C. Harry and Associates, Inc.

This increase of \$28,400 is required to include threshold inspection services, required by the Florida Building Code during the construction phase of the project.

Funds for this increase of \$28,400 are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, page 175.

- J-12. Lease Agreement with Horkey and Associates, P.A. at 7770 W. Oakland Park Boulevard (Approved)

Approved the lease agreement with Horkey and Associates, P.A., at 7770 W. Oakland Park Boulevard.

Horkey and Associates currently occupies the premises leased by Norman Kaplan, PA. Since Kaplan's lease expires February 28, 2009, and has not been renewed, Horkey would have to vacate on that date. Mr. Horkey has requested that he be allowed to remain in the premises for a short term. His is a CPA firm and moving at this time would be very disruptive. Work is planned at the building to install a fire sprinkler system but is not scheduled for the next six months, which would allow Horkey to remain and not disrupt our schedule. Should our plans change, the lease allows for a 30-day notice to terminate by either party. The short term lease will terminate in six months, or August 31, 2009.

Horkey and Associates, P. A. will execute the agreement after the School Board's approval.

The School Board Attorney has approved this agreement as to form and legal content.

There is a positive financial impact to the school district of \$22,896; therefore this item does not require a collaboration form from the Capital Budget Department.

J-13. Pre-Qualification of Contractors – Approval of Application and Issuance of Certificates (Approved)

Approved the recommendations of the Superintendent indicated in Exhibit 1.

The Qualification Selection Evaluation Committee (QSEC) convened on March 11, 2009, to review Contractor Pre-Qualification Staff Application Review Executive Summaries received for the following contractors and makes the following recommendations to the Superintendent of Schools:

**Aegis Roofing Enterprise, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification

* **Al Hill Plumbing Corporation – Issue Pre-Qualification Certification
Biscayne Construction Company, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification

**Decon Environmental & Engineering, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification

**Dodec, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification

Hensel Phelps Construction Co. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification

Hewett-Kier Construction, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification

*Hill York Service Corporation – Issue Pre-Qualification Certification

Lauris Boulanger, Inc. – Issue Recommendation to Deny Application

M Space Holdings, LLC – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification

**M.A.C. Construction, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification

MBR Construction, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification

*Munilla Construction Management, LLC – Issue Pre-Qualification Certification
 **MCO Environmental, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
 **Mills Electric Service, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
 * **N.Y.C. Builders, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Certification
 National Roofing of South Florida, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
 Nelson, L.C. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
 *Ocean Bay Construction, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Certification
 Pavarini South East Construction Co., Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
 Playmore Recreational Products and Services – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
 Project Development Group, Inc. (General) – Issue Recommendation to Reject Application
 Project Development Group, Inc. (Asbestos) – Issue Recommendation to Reject Application
 Rainbow Professional Roofing – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
 Rauland-Borg Corporation of Florida – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
 Simon Roofing and Sheet Metal Corp. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
 *Southeastern Communication Service, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Certification
 Speedy Concrete Cutting, Inc. – Issue Recommendation to Reject Application
 State Contracting & Engineering Corporation - Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
 * **Tomasiou Enterprises, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Certification
 Weekley Asphalt Paving, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
 **West Construction, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
 Wild Flowers South – Issue Recommendation to Deny Application

 *New Certification **Certified M/WBE and/or SBE

The Pre-Qualification Application reviews were conducted and the recommendations were determined in accordance with F.S. 1013.46, State Requirements for Educational Facilities and Board Policy 7003.

There is no financial impact to the district, therefore this item does not require a collaboration form from the Capital Budget Department.

- J-14. Final Acceptance and Release of Retainage – McTeague Construction Company – Replacement Multi Purpose Kitchen/Cafeteria – Lauderdale Manors Elementary School, Fort Lauderdale – Project# 0431-98-01 (P# TBD) (Approved)

Approved the Final Acceptance of the Lauderdale Manors Elementary School, Replacement Multipurpose Kitchen/Cafeteria, Project No. 0431-98-01, and release the balance of retainage in the amount of \$64,674.

The contractor, McTeague Construction Co., Inc., has completed the project scope of work within the contract limits, thereby releasing retainage in the amount of \$64,674.

The funds being released totaling \$64,674, are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years, 2007-2008 to 2011-2012, page 63.

- J-15. Final Acceptance and Release of Retainage – McTeague Construction Company – Replacement Multi Purpose Kitchen/Cafeteria – Broward Estates Elementary School, Fort Lauderdale – Project# 0501-98-01 (P# TBD) (Approved)

Approved the Final Acceptance of the Broward Estates Elementary School, Replacement Multipurpose Kitchen/Cafeteria, Project No. 0501-98-01, and release the balance of retainage in the amount of \$113,243.

The contractor, McTeague Construction Co., Inc., has completed the project scope of work within the contract limits, thereby releasing retainage in the amount of \$113,243.

The funds being released totaling \$113,243, are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years, 2006-2007 to 2010-2011, page 34.

K. OFFICE OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

- K-1. Revision to General Fund Amendment (Approved)

Approved the General Fund Amendment I-4 for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

This amendment is for the purpose of updating The Broward County School District Budget for changes in Revenue and Appropriations due to the recognition of new revenue or the adjustment of projected revenue through 1/31/08.

Financial Impact: Recognize changes in Revenues and Appropriations due to new revenue or the adjustment of projected revenue through 1/31/08.

K-2. Revision to Special Revenue (Other) Amendment (Approved)

Approved the Special Revenue (Other) Amendment IV-5B for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

This amendment is for the purpose of updating The Broward County School District Budget for changes in Revenue and Appropriations due to the recognition of new revenue or the adjustment of projected revenue through 1/31/08.

Financial Impact: Recognize changes in Revenues and Appropriations due to new revenue or the adjustment of projected revenue through 1/31/08.

K-3. Interim Financial Statements for the Period Ended December 31, 2008 (Approved)

Approved the Interim Financial Statement for the period ended December 31, 2008.

Financial Statements are required to be submitted to the School Board, pursuant to State Board Administrative Rule 6A-1.008.

There is no financial impact to the district.

K-4. Revision to Capital Projects Funds Budget Amendments (Approved)

Approved the Capital Projects Funds Amendments for Fiscal Year 2009. These amendments are as of January 2009.

These amendments are being submitted to reflect additional revenues and appropriations of the Capital Projects Funds in order to:

- 1) Recognize an increase in estimated revenue
- 2) Adjust appropriations
- 3) Reallocate budgeted funds
- 4) Allocate time and travel to projects

The financial impact of this agenda item is adjusting Revenue and Appropriation as indicated on schedules A and B for Capital Budget activities as of January 2009.

K-5. Agreement to Assign Bear Stearns Swap to J.P. Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. (Approved)

Approved Agreement to assign Bear Stearns Swap to J.P. Morgan Chase Bank, N.A.

Authorizing and approving the execution and delivery of an Assignment Agreement (the "Assignment Agreement") with Bear Stearns Financial Products Inc., (the "Assignor") and JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., (the "Assignee"). In connection with the Certificates of Participation, Series 2006B, the School Board entered into an ISDA Master Agreement dated as of May 16, 2006, and the related Schedule and Confirmation dated May 16, 2006 (collectively, the "Swap Agreement") with the Assignor. The Assignee has requested that the School Board consent to (a) the assignment of the Assignor's interest in, and delegation of Assignor's duties under, the Swap Agreement to assignee pursuant to the Assignment Agreement, and (b) to certain amendments to the Swap Agreement are necessary and/or desirable in connection with the assignment and delegation described under clause (a). The School Board's financial advisor, Public Financial Management, Inc., has recommended to the School Board that the execution and delivery of the Assignment Agreement is in the best interest of the School Board.

There is no financial impact to the school district.

OPEN ITEMS

AA. RESOLUTIONS

BB. BOARD MEMBERS

CC. BOARD POLICIES

- CC-1. New Policy 3112 – OPEB Fund Investment Policy (Withdrawn)
- CC-2. Revisions to School Board Policy 5000 – Adequate Educational Facilities, Designation of Schools and Attendance Areas, Development of Positive Alternatives to Accommodate Growth, to Keep Schools Open, and to Eliminate, Consolidate and Re-purpose Schools (Deferred)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Bartleman, to adopt revisions to School Board Policy 5000, at this second reading. This motion was superseded by a Motion to Defer (page 47). Mrs. Hope voted "no." (8-1 vote)

A review of Policy 5000 has been completed. Recommendations have been reviewed and approved by Executive Leadership, District legal counsel, and the School Board. The proposed changes in standards for overcrowded schools and their implications have been presented at the January 27, 2009 School Board Workshop followed by the approval of the first reading during the February 18, 2009 Regular School Board Meeting.

The recommendations include changes to allow consistency with School Board Policy 1161.

There is no additional financial impact to the school district.

Remarking that the policy should reflect the core value system of the Board, Mrs. Bartleman stated that ½ day of kindergarten does not reflect the Board's core value under this option. She stated that none of the available options take away instructional time from a child, whether it is a multi-period high school day, double-sessions, dual enrollment, or multi-year track. Mrs. Bartleman further stated that every policy should reflect the district's values and Mission Statement.

Motion to Amend (Failed)

Motion was made by Mrs. Bartleman, seconded by Mrs. Hope, to amend policy, page 5 of 8, to remove 10, c. (3) ½ day kindergarten. Mrs. Bartleman, Mrs. Gottlieb and Mrs. Murray voted "yes." Ms. Dinnen, Ms. Gallagher, Mrs. Hope, Mrs. Kraft, Dr. Parks and Mr. Williams voted "no." (3-6 vote)

Ms. Gallagher stated she did not agree with the amendment, as ½ day kindergarten is less onerous than some of the other issues. She stated that while you do not want children in school only for ½ day, it is the least of the worse scenarios.

Mrs. Kraft stated that the purpose of a laundry-list is to have options and that all of the options should be removed or none at all. She concurred that ½ day kindergarten is not what the district wants to promote. Mrs. Kraft stated it is a school-by-school decision, and it can also be offered as an alternative for children to go to another school, as has been done with the CHOICE program.

Mr. Marko noted that the language indicates "Options to be considered, but not restricted to...." as a suggestion, and staff can present other items that are not specifically identified. Mr. Marko concurred that the language was chosen to make it optional, as not a requirement.

Mrs. Bartleman stated, even though it is an option future boards may take this into consideration.

Concurring, Mrs. Gottlieb stated that she agrees that the choices are not what the Board wants to make but they are on the table. She said she would support the amendment.

Ms. Gallagher stated that her core values would include having a school building with a certain number of children in the classroom, with one teacher. She stated the schools have had to use portables and these options, because the district is not properly funded.

Mr. Williams stated that the options do not reflect what the Board wants them to be, and he would not support the motion.

Mrs. Hope concurred that she does not like the options, but it is more of an informational piece for future board members.

Dr. Parks stated he would like a full discussion on all of the options, and any Board Member can bring back the policy through a motion.

Mrs. Kraft stated it is important for the Board to remember its core values but it should not become a situation where everyone becomes rigid, as many issues have to come up for discussion.

Mrs. Bartleman stated that the policy could still be in place without these options and it only deals with overcrowding issues, not budget or anything else.

A vote was taken on the Motion to Amend.

Second Motion to Amend (No second, no vote taken)

Motion was made by Mrs. Bartleman to amend policy, page 5 of 8, to remove the entire section.

Mrs. Bartleman stated that the options do not need to be included for the policy to exist.

Ms. Gallagher stated the policy is how it was determined at the Board Workshop. She stated that while she agrees in theory, she will vote against the motion.

Mrs. Kraft stated if the options would be eliminated the parents would still come up with the same solutions and the solutions will be impracticable or will not be allowed, such as building a new addition. She inquired whether the policy could be delayed.

Dr. Harrison stated that some of the discussion would be transparent to parents, that these are possibilities in writing that the Superintendent could explore. Dr. Harrison stated staff wanted the policy to be passed before the end of the boundaries process for 2009-2010, that the boundary process did align with the policy.

Mrs. Leslie Brown, Executive Director, Educational Programs, stated that with regard to the transparency of options issue, staff worked with the attorneys to make sure there was a list that was transparent for people to see.

Mr. Marko informed the Board that the Superintendent is obligated to suggest boundaries and because that language is optional and is not all inclusive, a deletion would not be material because it is not a mandatory item. Mr. Marko stated that taking away the laundry list is not material to the Board's options.

Ms. Gallagher requested a deferral of the item so that a workshop discussion can be held, to try to fit it all together with the level of service. Ms. Gallagher stated with overcrowding of schools that do not meet level of service, the list/options will be important whereby the level of service could be met without making boundary changes.

Mrs. Hope stated the Board needs to consider future policymakers and the options they will be able to review and discuss with the Superintendent.

Mr. Williams stated that the Board may not need all the options, but if the need arises the options can be considered rather than eliminate them. In addition, the policy can be changed at any time and it is a temporary solution to ease overcrowding.

Ms. Murray stated that focus needs to be placed on K-3 to educate children, to get them ready for the future.

Ms. Dinnen stated that the options are not restrictive and they are not required; it is a laundry list of possibilities which are not desirable.

Mrs. Kraft suggested a deferral of the item so that staff can work on rewriting the options, provide an alternative list within the next two weeks and meet individually with Board Members so that the list is more realistic.

Concurring, Dr. Parks stated that other issues may come up that the Board may want to include and the Board may not want to include some of the options.

Mrs. Bartleman requested the Board be provided with a new list in order to vote the old one down at the April 21, 2009 Regular School Board meeting.

Motion to Defer (Carried)

Motion was made by Mrs. Bartleman, seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb and carried, to defer the agenda item to the April 21, 2009 Regular School Board meeting. Mrs. Hope voted "no." (8-1 vote)

A vote was taken on the Motion to Defer.

CC-3. McKinney-Vento Act for Homeless Students' Policy 5.1 A (Approved)

Motion was made by Dr. Parks, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to approve the McKinney-Vento Policy for Homeless Students at this first reading. Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

FLDOE requires that all Districts have a school board adopted homeless education policy addressing the requirements of the McKinney-Vento Act. This new policy includes the following requirements, all of which are currently part of Broward County Public Schools' homeless program:

- An assurance that homeless children and youth are afforded the same free, appropriate public education as provided to other children and youth, to include receiving comparable services offered to other students in the school
- The identification of homeless students based on the McKinney-Vento definition
- The access of homeless children and youth to the education and other services that such students need to ensure that such students have an opportunity to meet the same challenging state student academic achievement standards to which all students are held
- The access of homeless preschool-aged children and their families to educational services for which they are eligible, including preschool programs administered by the Local Education Agency (LEA)
- The removal of barriers that affect the enrollment and retention of homeless children and youth in schools in the LEA
- Guardianship and transportation, immunization, residency, birth certificates, school records, and other documentation exceptions for homeless students
- The immediate enrollment of homeless students
- An assurance that homeless children and youth are not stigmatized or separated, segregated, or isolated on the basis of their status as homeless
- The rights of homeless students to remain in their school of origin and their right to dispute school selection, if other than school of origin
- A provision of transportation, at the request of the parent or guardian, to and from the school of origin, including the provision for inter-LEA transportation

The District has transported homeless students for the past ten years. During the 2007-08 school year, approximately \$540,000 was spent to transport students who were homeless.

While the current economic status has increased our number of homeless students, many of these new homeless families have resources to transport themselves or are choosing to move their child to their new boundaried school. To date the cost for 2008-09 is \$406,300; it is not anticipated that the end-of-year cost will exceed \$600,000. The source of funding is Pupil Transportation general funds.

Mrs. Hope requested an update on the policy, as there are many homeless funds included in the stimulus package.

Mrs. Kelly responded that the stimulus package codifies everything the district has been doing for ten years related to homeless children. The McKinney-Vento law was put into policy for the district and the language in the policy is reflected almost verbatim, except for some changes by the Board Attorney's office. Mrs. Kelly stated that the attorney's office has been very helpful in reviewing the policies and giving good feedback to make sure there is alignment. She stated that Mr. Notter has a process in place for all of the stimulus money that are coming into the district, and this will be part of the consideration that he is putting together for that purpose, once there is more information on what the parameters are for spending the money.

Mrs. Murray stated that the number of homeless students is growing and should be a high priority.

Dr. Parks discussed the Free and Reduced Lunch for homeless, stating it is being promoted by the Wellness Committee because there is a correlation with student achievement.

Mrs. Bartleman, referring to the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) under the stimulus package, requested staff to contact someone from the office of Debbie Wasserman-Schultz or Ron Klein's office to itemize a list, such as how to extend Cobra if it is needed; if someone is upside down on their house by up to 150 percent, there are packages there for assistance. She stated that adding information to the EAP website will help district employees access the stimulus dollars individually.

Mrs. Hope requested staff to provide the Board with the list of recommendations for the homeless students in Broward County.

CC-4. Suspension and Expulsion, Policy 5006 (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Bartleman, seconded by Dr. Parks and carried, to approve the proposed changes to Suspension and Expulsion, Policy 5006, at this first reading. Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

Policy 5006, Suspension and Expulsion, revisions were shared at the School Board Workshop on February 10, 2009, as part of the Code of Student Conduct discussion. The revisions for Policy 5006 shared at the Board workshop align with the Code of Student Conduct and Florida State Board Rule changes.

Policy 5006.1, Suspension and/or Expulsion of Students with Disabilities as Legislated by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Policy 5006.3, Suspensions and/or Expulsion of Students Determined to be Disabled under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Students with 504 Accommodation Plans) were combined into Policy 5006 with notes in areas that apply specifically to students with disabilities. This provides one policy for suspension and expulsion, rather than three.

The changes are not substantial but reflect the combination of the policies in to one, clarifications, and alignment with existing policies.

There is no financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Bartleman inquired whether the Workback program is available for 2nd graders who bring a plastic toy gun to school.

Mrs. Kelly responded that Policy 5.8: Code of Student Conduct indicates firearms and projectile devices, but it does not indicate plastic toy guns. She stated that Class C devices are eligible for Workback programs.

Dr. Parks informed the Board that Senate Bill 1540 has been filed by Senator Stephen Wise, and has been reviewed by district staff and Lobbyist Georgia Slack.

Mrs. Kelly responded that the bill is aligned with the language, a student who commits a battery on a School Board employee may not return to the same school in which that employee or student attends.

CC-5. Revision of Policy 5.5: Attendance (Approved)

Motion was made by Dr. Parks, seconded by Mrs. Bartleman and carried, to approve the proposed revision to Policy 5.5: Attendance at this first reading, for 2009-10 implementation. Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

Policy 5.5 was revised by the District Attendance Committee. The revised section on make-up work during suspension was presented at the School Board Workshop on February 10, 2009, as a part of the Code of Student Conduct. The recommended language change was discussed at the District Attendance Committee following the School Board Workshop.

The Attendance Committee was in 100% agreement, including the high school and middle school principals, that the proposed Suspension Form discussed by the Board not be moved forward. This form was to allow students who are suspended to make up work with certain commitments and permission by the parent. The Attendance Committee felt this would create a layer of responsibility that schools would be unable to support and or implement with fidelity.

The proposed revision of Policy 5.5 is a compromise from the committee, allowing all suspended students the opportunity to make up work missed during the suspension period, whether they attend the AES site or not. The Code of Student conduct has been revised accordingly to reflect this recommendation which meets the Board's direction to ensure students who choose not to attend the AES site are allowed to make up their work.

This proposed revision to Policy 5.5 also addresses special provision for middle school students to make up work for all absences due to statutory requirements for course recovery and promotion to high school, as directed by the School Board at the workshop on February 10.

There is no financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Kraft informed her colleagues about a concern that arose at the Teen Political Forum and whether 18 year olds are legally allowed to sign themselves in or out.

Mr. Marko responded that this issue is being reviewed, as there may be variations on this theme and it may be through a directive rather than a policy.

Mrs. Kraft stated that whatever the ultimate conclusion is, she is requesting that this information be placed in the Procedural Manual.

Mrs. Kraft, who discussed the issue of internal transfer (tardy) lockouts, requested that staff develop a consensus of how to deal specifically with the changing from class-by-class lockouts, and come to some guidelines for the next school year.

The following individual addressed this item:

Ronnie Virgillito, Broward Teachers Union Secretary-Treasurer

CC-6. Policy 5.8: Code of Student Conduct 2009-2011 (Approved as amended)

Motion was made by Mrs. Bartleman, seconded by Dr. Parks and carried, to approve the proposed changes to the 2009-2011 Code of Student Conduct (Policy 5.8) at this first reading. This motion was superseded by a Motion to Amend (page 54). Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

Each year the Superintendent appoints a committee to review and update the Code of Student Conduct.

The committee's membership includes teachers, parents, students and school and district administrators. Each member is responsible for generating input from the group he or she represents. The district's website was an additional tool used to collect input.

This year, areas proposed for change were first brought to the School Board at a workshop on November 25, 2008. The Board provided direction for the Committee on those areas they supported for further discussion. The Committee's final recommendations were provided to the School Board at a workshop on February 10, 2009. These changes reflect the direction provided by the Board at that time. Proposed changes:

- Clarified that suspended students may earn credit and grades for make up work and when specific homework assignments must be given to suspended students.
- Added a statement notifying students that possession of electronic devices during any standardized testing (e.g., Advanced Placement Exams) will result in the invalidation of test scores.
- Separated the Student Publications section to differentiate between school and student publications.
- Added additional definitions of bullying and cyberbullying from the Bullying Policy (SB Policy 5.9). Selected excerpts from the Bullying Policy are also included.
- Expanded the Technology Usage rules to include students who attempt to spread computer viruses but do not actually complete the act.
- Added Ammunition and any component thereof, including but not limited to bullets, shotgun shells, bullet casing, magazines, or clips to the list of items considered Class B weapons.
- Aligned the Code to newly consolidated Policies 5006, 5006.1, and 5006.3; the Code is the student and parent document that provides information on how Policy 5006 (Suspension and Expulsion) is implemented.

In addition to the Policy, the Code booklet will also include the Discipline Matrices (which outlines the possible consequences for violating the rules of Policy 5.8), as well as the Parent Acknowledgement Form and the Media Release Form which have been separated into two documents for more clarity for students and parents.

The adoption of the Code for a two year period (pending required legislative changes or major issues related to health and safety of students (will allow for a reworking of the Code format and content to be more user-friendly and as cost-efficient as possible.

The financial impact for providing the Code of Student Conduct to each student, the Curriculum Guides to each teacher and production of the elementary and secondary videos on the dress code is approximately \$150,000. The source of funds is the Student Support Services' department budget.

Responding to Mrs. Bartleman's inquiry, Mrs. Kelly stated that the Graphics department is doing a great job of printing the 211 newsletter, with some of the facts and figures in the additional resources.

Mrs. Bartleman stated that teenagers need to be made aware of the crime they are committing regarding pictures displayed on their personal cell phones, as this is considered child pornography and it is a criminal act. Mrs. Bartleman requested that staff ascertain how to get that information to high school students.

Mr. Notter stated that staff will review how this information can be sent out, as there is nothing in the Code of Conduct that would necessarily address that issue. The Superintendent stated that one of the best ways to pass on information is through the Student Advisor, the empowerment of their passion about issues.

Mrs. Murray requested that staff take a look at the multiple venues to incorporate this information, such as cyber training, parent link/groups, PTA meetings and the Code of Student Conduct video.

Mrs. Kraft requested staff to reinforce in the Procedural Manual that it is the Board's goal that all teachers will have a website at some point.

Mrs. Kraft discussed personal music players, iPods and MP3s, and stated that the Code of Conduct indicates that students are responsible for these devices, but there is no purpose served to tell a student at lunch that they cannot listen to their personal music. She said she has not heard whether these devices are being confiscated on school buses.

Mrs. Kelly responded that in past years there has been conversation surrounding the inequities that it points out when different kids have it and others don't have it. Mrs. Kelly stated that the Board has not addressed iPods in a serious way other than talking about using them at the teacher's discretion.

Referring to page 7 of the policy, Disruptive Incidents, Mrs. Kraft suggested an amendment.

Motion to Amend (Carried)

Motion was made by Mrs. Kraft, seconded by Mrs. Bartleman, to amend policy, page 7, Disruptive Incidents (including but not limited to), third bullet, fourth sentence to read: However, use of personal technology, such as iPods, MP3 players, etc., other than cell phones, during non-instructional time will not be subject to discipline under this policy.

A vote was taken on the Motion to Amend, followed by a vote on the item as amended.

- CC-7. Proposed Revised Job Description, Minimum Qualifications, and Job Title for the Director, Broward Education Foundation Position for The School Board of Broward County, Florida 2008-2009 Organizational Chart (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Kraft, seconded by Ms. Dinnen and carried, to approve the proposed revised job description, minimum qualifications, and job title change, from the Director, Broward Education Foundation to the President/CEO, Broward Education Foundation, position in the Operations division; amend the 2008-2009 Organizational Chart to reflect this job title change. Approval is requested to advertise for this vacant position after first reading. This is the first reading. Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

A task force of the Broward Education Foundation was formed to identify the leadership qualities and actions necessary for the Foundation to achieve its stated mission. Once the Task Force identified their selection criteria for the position, revisions to the existing job description, including job title and minimum qualifications, are required to reflect their expectations from the position. See the Executive Summary for greater detail.

There is no additional financial impact to the district budget.

Mrs. Kraft inquired what changes are being made to the job description.

Mr. Notter responded that an alignment is being made to the job functions that were not there, and to refocus on the ability to raise dollars and seek endowments. The Superintendent stated the item is a revision and an update to the current fundraising industry standards for a similar type position.

Mrs. Strong informed the Board that the position is currently vacant and a temporary person is currently in the position. She stated that a job study was made on the position, indicating it is comparable to other positions. Mrs. Strong said in the corporate world the title of the position is more acceptable than a Director title. She informed that this position entails going out into the corporate world and talking to people to give donations. The money they bring in, compared to the salary of the position is much greater.

Mr. Notter stated that another study can be made when additional responsibilities are added to the position.

Ms. Dinnen stated that the Broward Education Foundation felt this position should generate a higher salary, but that during these economic times it would send a bad message without thorough and evaluative documentation.

DD. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF AUDITOR

EE. CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER

EE-1. Bid/RFP and Other Financial Recommendations \$500,000 or Greater
(Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Hope, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried, to approve the following Bid/RFP and other financial recommendations \$500,000 or greater: Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

<u>BID/RFP</u>	<u>Title – Location – Amount</u>
29-114T	Building Management and Security – Physical Plant Operations – Amount: \$7,000,000

Note: The Building Management and Security Systems bid provides for the purchase and replacement of parts and equipment used to maintain our existing District-Wide Energy Management and Security (EMS) system in addition to our temperature control systems. The bid includes vendor installation, hardware, software and support with labor rates for normal business hours and after hours service and support.

Board approval of these Bid / RFP recommendations does not mean the amounts shown will be spent. These amounts represent the spending authority, which may be spread among the awarded vendors through the term of this contract from available funds already included in various school / department / center budgets.

The financial impact of each Bid / RFP Recommendation is indicated on its respective exhibit.

No discussion was held on this item.

FF. CURRICULUM/EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS & STUDENT SUPPORT

GG. HUMAN RESOURCES

HH. ATTORNEY

II. OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

II-1. School Resource Officer (SRO) Program Agreements – (2008-2009)
(Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Hope, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried, to approve the eleven (11) out of thirteen (13) SRO Agreements with designated municipalities for police officers to serve as School Resource Officers as listed in the Executive Summary. Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

The Agreements provide for police officers to serve as School Resource Officers in one hundred three (103) elementary, forty three (43) middle, thirty one (31) high schools and eight (8) others operated by the School Board, and located in the designated municipal police jurisdictions. The School Resource Officer Program is one of the most effective proactive, safety and security programs in our schools. This cooperative partnership was initiated by the Broward Sheriff's Office dating back to the 1985-86 school year.

Now, in its twenty-third year, the SRO concentrates on preventative initiatives such as anti-drug and alcohol programs, conflict mediation and anti-violence, crime initiatives and Stranger Danger. In addition, these officers provide a positive presence and serve as role models for students of all ages, as well as liaisons between schools and law enforcement.

Additional SRO Agreements will be submitted to the Board upon receipt from the municipalities.

These Agreements have been approved as to form and legal content by the School Board Attorney.

The financial impact of the SRO Program is \$ 1,491,434. The source of funds is the school and center budgets for the 2008-2009 school year.

Mrs. Kraft inquired whether the new agreements reflect the new hire contribution that is being made as a part of the agreement to slowly move them up.

Concurring, Mr. Notter stated it is for this year; the agreements will be brought back for the budget process, moving them up and reviewing the increase for this year.

JJ. FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

JJ-1. Agreement for Open End Services – Harvard Jolly, Inc – Architectural ADA Services North Area (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Hope, seconded by Dr. Parks and carried, to approve the Agreement for Open End Services with Harvard Jolly for Architectural ADA Services North Area. Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

The Qualification Selection Evaluation Committee recommended and on October 21, 2008, the Board selected Harvard Jolly, Inc., and the proposed fees will be negotiated in accordance with Article 5 of the Agreement.

The Professional Liability Insurance has been agreed upon pursuant to Article 8 of the Agreement.

This is a three (3) year Open End Agreement with a not to exceed amount of \$1,000,000. The agreement may be extended for one (1) year and/or \$300,000. The agreement form for various Consulting Services was approved by the Board on February 26, 2008.

The Office of the Chief Auditor has reviewed this agreement, and the School Board Attorney has approved it as to form and legal content.

Funds for this item are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008-2009 to 2012-2013 for any projects utilizing this service. This item is not affecting the overall budget; therefore, it does not require a collaboration form from the Capital Budget Department.

No discussion was held on this item.

JJ-2. Guaranteed Maximum Price – Royal Concrete Concepts, Inc. – Construct New South Area Maintenance Office – Pembroke Pines – Project No. P.000917 (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Hope, seconded by Mrs. Kraft and carried, to approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) in the amount of \$4,127,558 for Royal Concrete Concepts, Inc., to construct the New Physical Plant Operations Zone 4 Complex, Project No. P.000917. Mrs. Bartleman, Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

Approve an additional appropriation in the amount of \$775,008, which will come from the Certificates Of Participation (COP's).

The scope of this GMP includes the design and construction of the new South Area Maintenance Office.

The Board previously approved an expenditure of \$4,781,825 to construct the new Physical Plant Operations Zone 4 Complex reusing the Palm Beach County School Contract with Royal Concrete Concepts, Inc. The Guaranteed Maximum Price is less than the amount previously approved.

The Royal Concrete Concepts, Inc., Palm Beach County Contract is available for review at the Facilities and Construction Management Division.

There is no financial impact for this project. Funds were previously approved by Board Item JJ-2, dated April 29, 2008. There is an additional financial impact in the amount of \$775,008 which will come from the Certificates Of Participation (COP's).

Mr. Garretson, who informed the Board that Ms. Gallagher had inquired where the site of the South Area Maintenance Office would be located, indicated the office would be located at the Southwest Bus Lot in western Pembroke Pines.

JJ-3. Agreement for Open End Services – Cubellis, Inc. – ADA Architectural Services – North Central Area (Approved)

Motion was made by Dr. Parks, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried, to approve the Agreement for Open End Services with Cubellis, Inc. for ADA Architectural Services for the North Central Area. Mrs. Bartleman, Ms. Gallagher and Mrs. Gottlieb were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

The Qualification Selection Evaluation Committee recommended and on October 21, 2008 the Board selected Cubellis, Inc., and the proposed fees will be negotiated in accordance with Article 5 of the Agreement.

The Professional Liability Insurance has been agreed upon pursuant to Article 8 of the Agreement.

This is a three (3) year Open End Agreement with a not to exceed amount of \$1,000,000. The agreement may be extended for one (1) year and /or \$300,000. The agreement form for various Consulting Services was approved by the Board on February 26, 2008.

The Office of the Chief Auditor has reviewed this agreement, and the School Board Attorney has approved it as to Form and Legal Content.

Funds for this item are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008-2009 to 2012-2013 for any projects utilizing this service. This item is not affecting the overall budget; therefore, it does not require a collaboration form from the Capital Budget Department.

No discussion was held on this item.

KK. OFFICE OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Adjournment This meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

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