

APPROVED IN OPEN BOARD MEETING, JULY 21, 2009

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

June 2, 2009
Tuesday, 10:15 a.m.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The School Board of Broward County, Florida, met in regular session at 10:21 a.m., Tuesday, June 2, 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.

At the request of Board Member Murray, a moment of silence was observed to honor Mr. Barney Schlesinger, The Man Who is for Education, who was passionate and devoted to following the School Board process and spoke for the betterment of the children of Broward County.

A moment of silence was observed for McFatter Technical High School student Alesha Ramjohn, and Flanagan High School student Ryan Smith, who recently died as a result of car accidents.

Remarking that Ryan was killed on the way to get his graduation cap and gown, Ms. Gallagher sent a prayer to the driver of the car who is in the hospital, as both families have been affected by this accident.

Mrs. Bartleman stated that on the morning news Ryan's mother sent a statement that her son was not wearing a seat belt, and she wants everyone to spread the word on the importance of seat belt use while driving.

Ms. Gallagher informed that the new law, Click it or Ticket, begins on July 1, 2009, and anyone in the car without their seat belt on will receive a ticket. She stated that Senator Eleanor Sobel indicated the Legislature has been working on this bill, including Former Representative Fred Lippman who worked on this bill 23 years ago.

Minutes for Approval Motion was made by Dr. Parks, seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb and carried, to approve the official minutes for the following Board Meetings: Mrs. Kraft had not yet assumed her seat on the dais. (8-0 vote)

May 5, 2009 – Regular School Board Meeting
May 19, 2009 – Special – Student Expulsions

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Close Agenda Upon motion by Mrs. Gottlieb, seconded by Ms. Gallagher and carried, the Agenda was approved and declared closed. Mrs. Kraft had not yet assumed her seat on the dais. (8-0 vote)

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Dave Gordon, Principal, Pompano Beach High (Via video conferencing)

Dr. Parks informed the Board and viewing audience that the Apple Distinguished School Award is recognized by Apple Computer for demonstrated success in implementing a 21st Century learning environment. This learning environment manifest itself through visible best practices of visionary leadership, an Information Technology (IT) infrastructure that supports learning, engaging teaching and learning methods, one-to-one mobile computer access for students and teachers, ongoing professional development and systemic evaluation and assessment of their program.

Dr. Parks stated that only 18 schools across the country have been selected for this honor and Pompano Beach High School is the recipient of this prestigious award. This is Pompano's second year to receive the Apple Distinguished Award and they are the only high school in the state of Florida to be honored.

Mr. Gordon was acknowledged by Dr. Parks for receiving the Apple Distinguished School Award. He stated the School Board is proud of Mr. Gordon and staff for their leadership at Pompano Beach High School, and are appreciative of the honor by Apple Computer in recognizing the school's technology efforts.

Mr. Gordon stated it is a great honor and pleasure to accept this award, and thanked Dr. Parks, the School Board and the Superintendent for their acknowledgment. Mr. Gordon stated, there are only 35 schools in the world that Apple has bestowed this honor upon; recognizing innovation with technology in the classroom. Mr. Gordon further acknowledged the students and the community of Pompano Beach High School.

Dr. Parks stated that excellent leadership, a quality faculty, motivated students and involved parents are the ingredients that make for a successful program.

Ms. Dinnen, on behalf of the School Board, congratulated Mr. Gordon and Pompano Beach High School on their accomplishments. She stated this is another example of partnerships working together.

Mr. Notter stated this is another example of how this Board has turned around how "we" focus on the core business of teaching and learning, specifically in tough economic times. In addition, following the district's strategic plan of innovation and technology that will keep the Broward School District number 1 of 18 in the nation and 1 of 35 in the world arena.

Ralph Campbell – Urban Teacher Academy Program

Dr. Parks stated that there are over 70 students in college to become teachers and there will be 149 that have gone to college through the Urban Teacher Academy Program, dollars that are generated by the Teacher-of-the-Year events. Dr. Parks informed that students will go back and teach in high-need schools and have had four years of working in one of five high schools with mentors – Deerfield, Flanagan, Hallandale, Stranahan and Nova. Dr. Parks further stated that a guidance director works with the students for four years.

Dr. Parks acknowledged Mr. Campbell and was recognized for his support of the Urban Teacher Academy program, and presented him with a proclamation. Dr. Parks stated that Ralph is passionate about local schools and educational programs, and is an active leader who has generously donated his time and resources to improve the lives of residents of Broward County.

Dr. Parks further stated that McKinley Financial Services, where Mr. Campbell serves as Executive Vice-President, sponsored the first Urban Teacher Academy program graduation and recognition dinner in 2005 with 12 graduates and their families, and continues to do this for the students and families. The School Board acknowledges and thanked Mr. Campbell for the countless contributions he has made to Broward County students.

Dr. Parks thanked Mr. Campbell for his friendship and leading advocacy for the Urban Teacher Academy.

Mr. Campbell thanked Dr. Parks for his leadership and support of the Urban Teacher Academy Program, and stated the program is all about growing future leaders of tomorrow. Mr. Campbell stated that on behalf of McKinley Financial Services, it is an honor and privilege to serve the community.

Mrs. Malease Marko Berg, Coordinator, Urban Teacher Academy, presented Dr. Parks and Mr. Campbell with framed pictures of the graduates of the program. Mrs. Berg stated that the first two graduates of the program will be teaching this fall: Kati Tingay (sic), 3rd grade, North Folk Elementary, Crystal Carter, 5th grade, Hallandale Elementary.

Mrs. Gottlieb congratulated Mr. Campbell for giving back to the community, and thanked Dr. Parks for recognizing a great contributor to the community.

Mr. Williams stated that Mr. Campbell has been an outstanding citizen in Broward County and has done outstanding work in the community.

Plantation High School's Step Team

Mrs. Kraft attended the Arts for the Future Scholarship Awards Gala who highlighted a closing performance of the Plantation High School Step Team, and highlighted theatrical, singing and dance performances.

Mrs. Kraft stated she was impressed by the commitment that the students prepared and put into their performance, and they gave a lot of positive messages in their performance, including a Dr. Martin Luther King presentation which will be presented to the Board.

Ms. Dinnen stated that Plantation is going through a renaissance; they have always been a very good and admirable school and there is a lot of special spirit and activity in the school.

A film presentation was shown of the Plantation High School Step Team performing their Dr. Martin Luther King presentation from the Gala event. Following the performance, the group appeared via video conferencing and was introduced by Mrs. Kraft.

Following the performance, Mr. Frank Pinkney, sponsor of the team, and his assistant, Mrs. Shirley Baker thanked the School Board for acknowledging the team's hard work and dedication. He stated that a few members of the team are appearing through video conference. In addition to their performances, students are required to maintain their studies, keep a rigorous GPA, and stay out of trouble; many students will receive a college scholarship as a result of their work in stepping.

Ms. Dinnen thanked the team for their impressive presentation, their efforts, and encouragement and partnership of the program. Ms. Dinnen stated this is an example of what makes the entire district look good.

Mrs. Baker noted that the team is number one in the state.

Mr. Williams stated this is an indication where black males are improving their graduation rates in the Broward County school system. He expressed appreciation to Plantation High School, their principal and sponsor, and to the students for their presentation and academic success.

Remarking that she attended the performance with Mr. Notter and Mr. Williams, Mrs. Bartleman thanked the students and the coach for their good work. She stated this team should be replicated throughout the county with a sponsor, even though there are step teams in different schools, as this will inspire students and keep them motivated.

Mrs. Hope stated she was very proud of the step team, their athleticism and team work, and hard work. She stated that step teams have a long, viable history in the African-American community and concurred that step teams should be showcased.

Ms. Dinnen thanked Mrs. Kraft for bringing the team to the Board's attention.

Mrs. Kraft stated that one of the team's performances demonstrated their pride to Plantation High School (which was performed live by the step team).

REPORTS

Broward County Council PTAs/PTSAs – Bernie Kemp

Newly-appointed PTA Council President Bernie Kemp informed that the PTA held their election of officers on April 14, 2009: President, Bernie Kemp; 1st Vice-President, Linda Nestor; Recording Secretary, Helen Cohen; Treasurer, Joyce Marks. The new officers were installed on Friday, May 29, 2009, at the Sheraton Airport Hotel at the 78th Annual Installation & Awards banquet. Notable attendees were Superintendent Notter; Board Member Williams; Dr. Joanne Harrison, Deputy Superintendent, Educational Programs and Student Support; and three Area Superintendents.

Mr. Kemp stated he is the first male president in the history of Broward PTA to be installed and he is the 50th president since PTA began in 1930 in Broward County. The New Officers Workshop (NOW) will take place on June 10, 2009, Piper High School, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

During the summer months the council will be having an organizational meeting to prepare for the upcoming school year. The theme this year is *It Takes Teamwork!* PTA will promote cooperation and communication among members and assure them that the council is here to pronounce any assistance.

A comprehensive written report was submitted to the Board.

Ms. Dinnen congratulated Mr. Kemp on his installation of the first male president of Broward PTA.

Responding to Ms. Gallagher's request, Mr. Kemp informed that Mrs. Latha Krishnaiyer will be providing an update to the Board regarding the convention of the National Council of PTA being held in Fort Lauderdale. He stated that materials are currently being submitted regarding the Family Expo, including other material.

Ms. Gallagher informed that the National PTA Convention was last held in Fort Lauderdale approximately 15 years ago.

Mrs. Hope congratulated Mr. Kemp for a well-deserved appointment and for being a tireless worker in the district.

ESE Advisory Council – Robert Mayersohn

Mr. Mayersohn thanked the Superintendent for sending Mr. Donnie Carter, Chief Operations Officer, to represent the district at the UCP Share and Care Luncheon, and thanked Mr. Carter for his participation.

Mr. Mayersohn reported that he attended the Autism Committee of Exceptional Student Education, and they held their elections, with Karen Shapiro elected to continue as Chair. The committee sent a letter of appreciation to the School Board employees on behalf of parents to recognize the importance of those employees' contributions to their child's education.

The Parent Education Task Force agreed that for the 2009-2010 school year a poster incorporating a child's art work would be an outstanding vehicle to promote the Exceptional Parent Education Workshops for Families of Students with Disabilities. The committee chose the art work of Nicolas Ulla Blanca, 1st grader at Deerfield Beach Elementary School.

Mr. Mayersohn acknowledged the Parent Education Task Force and Ms. Kimberly DiLuzio, FLDRS Program Specialist for Parent Services, in providing parents with many workshops covering a mixture of topics while incorporating a diversity of presenters.

Mr. Mayersohn stated that ESE is in the process of formulating its 2009-2010 school year goals.

A comprehensive written report was submitted to the Board.

Mrs. Bartleman, who thanked Mr. Mayersohn for everything he does, wished student Garrett a great summer. She stated that students will be participating in the Summer Youth Employment program that is now being sponsored by Dan Marino. Some of the students will be working in the KC Wright building this summer.

Broward County Association of Student Councils and Student Advisor to the Board – Sara Saxner

Ms. Saxner reported that every summer the BCASC offers students throughout the state of Florida the opportunity to participate in Leadership Camp. BCASC currently has two camps, the South Florida Leadership Training Camp, also known as SFLTC, and the Camp Eagle Advanced Leadership Training. Camp Eagle is geared toward students who have completed SFLTC. This summer 240 students have enrolled in SFLTC and 30 students in Camp Eagle state-wide.

Professional student government advisors and past students that have attended the camps, known as JCs, instruct students in workshops at the camp. Nova-Southeastern University lends dorm rooms so students can receive the overall experience; guest speakers are invited to give presentations; activities are planned from instructional and educational lessons, community service projects, and a team-building ropes course that allows students to scale walls stories high. Eti Raz will be attending Eagle Camp and Sara said she would be attending National Leadership Camp in Colorado because she has completed both courses already.

Sara further reported that the new BCASC officers were inducted recently at the county convention and they held their first meeting. Next year's projects and goals have been considered and agreed upon.

Everyone at BCASC is looking forward to a safe and productive summer.

A comprehensive written report was submitted to the Board.

BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Kraft informed her colleagues that she attended and participated in the graduation ceremony of her daughter at J.P. Taravella. She congratulated all 2009 graduates, and stated one of her favorite ceremonies are when the principals showcase the school year's highlights. Mrs. Kraft requested that the Board be provided with a list of accolades that every principal reports during their graduation speech in order for the Board to highlight and share at the School Board meetings.

Mrs. Kraft stated that Taravella High School has been recognized by the Florida Alliance for Arts Education as having one of the premier art programs in Florida for a traditional high school. This award recognizes 5 model schools and could be a Best Practice that would be replicated for all schools. Taravella will receive this award at the Alliance Leadership Summit on June 12, 2009. Mrs. Kraft stated that the district, in conjunction with the Broward Cultural Arts Council, just awarded the Taravella art teacher the Arts Teacher-of-the-Year award.

Mrs. Kraft informed that student Vincent Medina, Broward County's top speller, placed 17th in the National Spelling Bee contest. She will be presenting Vincent and his parents at the next School Board meeting so the Board can congratulate him in person. There were 293 spellers from the U.S. and other countries participating in the spelling bee.

Mrs. Kraft attended the Cappie Awards, the critics award program where students write critiques of other high school productions. The following award winning schools were congratulated: Coral Glades (5 nominations); Coral Springs (5 nominations and one winner); Deerfield Beach (8 nominations and 2 winners); Stoneman Douglas (13 nominations and 3 winners); Nova (5 nominations and one winner); Pompano Beach (9 nominations and 3 winners); South Plantation who showcased West Side Story using Sign Language, had 14 nominations and 5 winners.

Mrs. Kraft also attended the Broward Teen News end-of-year event, who featured some of the stories that received different awards, one of which was a story about West Side Story.

Mrs. Hope informed her colleagues that she attended the South Florida Automobile Dealers Association's 23rd annual awards luncheon. The program involves automobile dealers and technicians who sponsor and teach students how to become automotive technicians; once they graduate high school the students are certified automotive technicians. Mrs. Hope noted there are a few female students who are enrolled in the program.

Mrs. Hope attended a Juvenile Justice Board meeting, as she is a member of that particular Board. She stated that progress is being made on the Justice Board and she will provide the minutes of the meeting to the School Board Members.

Mrs. Hope stated the Juvenile Justice Board is in the process of voting for officers, renewing its bylaws and reviewing the district's Strategic Plan, as well as reaching out to more community organizations, especially churches, so that Broward juveniles can receive positive outreach.

Mrs. Hope reported that she attended the Memorial Day parade and ceremony on May 25, 2009, sponsored by the Town of Davie and the Boy Scouts of America, South Florida Council.

Mrs. Hope participated in graduation ceremonies at Piper High School and Cypress Bay High School. She enjoyed listening to the students' accomplishments throughout the district.

Mrs. Hope stated that through the partnership Cities United for Science Progress, Banyan Elementary, City of Lauderhill and Mayor Richard Kaplan arranged for Free Science Day at the school. Students were required to engineer a Puff Mobile; they were given four Life Savers, three straws, two paperclips, one piece of paper, scissors and a roll of tape and had to build a Puff Mobile within 30 minutes. Banyan students were able to complete this task.

Mrs. Hope informed that Cypress Bay High School was honored with a national award from Student Television Network on May 27, 2009. "Aftershock," the weekly show, was awarded 3rd place in the nation. In addition, Falcon Cove Middle School scored as the top middle school in Broward County for nearly every grade level in every subject in the 2009 FCAT. Silver Ridge Elementary won the Community Involvement Award for the elementary level.

Mrs. Hope congratulated the 2009 high school graduates. Gratitude was extended to all principals and staff for their hard work.

Mrs. Hope showcased missing student Levana Beller, black female, brown eyes, black hair, 120 pounds, missing from Fort Lauderdale on May 7, 2009. Anyone with information can contact their local police or the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Mrs. Gottlieb congratulated 2009 high school graduates, and extended gratitude to staff, principals and teachers on a great school year. Mrs. Gottlieb stated she participated in many end-of-the year celebrations.

Mrs. Gottlieb informed her colleagues that she participated in Career Day this week; speaking to 2nd, 4th and 5th graders. She also met and spoke with Mr. Williams' grandson and granddaughter. She complimented Mr. Williams' grandson who asked many questions about her role as a Board Member.

Mrs. Murray informed her colleagues that the Board received an e-mail from Commissioner Dr. Smith recognizing many schools, including Boulevard Heights Elementary, an economically disadvantaged school with over 57 percent of children in this category. The district was congratulated because the school had made significant progress and closed the achievement gap between white and minority students for the past two years, maintained a state school grade of "A" for the past two years, and has met Average Yearly Progress (AYP) requirements for two consecutive years.

Mrs. Murray attended their Spring Show PTA at the school which was held at their new cafeteria, with a show put on by 300 K-2 students and over 600 parents attending the performance. She stated this illustrates the community effort that resulted in the increase in parent participation and the achievement gap.

Boulevard Heights and Nova High School were awarded a Five Star School award.

Mrs. Murray informed that the Miami Herald's Silver Knights Award was held recently, and Hallandale High School has two 1st place winners and Hollywood Hills High School has two winners. Mrs. Murray attended three graduation ceremonies, including Nova High School. She stated that three Hollywood Hills High School teachers won the Broward Education Foundation Impact II grants, with each teacher being awarded \$400. Three Hollywood Hills students participated in the City of Hollywood Public Works poster contest, and Ashley Cador won a \$100 gift certificate and a Wii gaming system, Liliana Alvarez, 5th grader won a \$50 gift certificate, and Tessa Stein, 3rd grader won a city t-shirt.

Mrs. Murray requested staff to take a look at naming one of the facilities within one of the Hallandale schools after Mr. Barney Schlesinger, as a tribute to him. She stated that Barney always put kids first, one of the things he will be remembered by. Donations are being accepted in Barney's memory at the Hallandale Community Scholarship Fund.

Mr. Notter suggested naming a wing or a library after Mr. Schlesinger.

Ms. Dinnen informed her colleagues that she also attended the South Florida Automobile Dealers Association's 23rd annual awards luncheon. She stated that her Administrative Assistant, Denise Usefof's husband put the event together, and Mr. John Miracola, Director, Career, Technical and Adult/Community Education was in attendance. She stated the gentleman who is head of the auto dealers spoke and told students that people are keeping their cars longer and auto technicians will be in demand in the future. Ms. Dinnen stated one of the incentives of the program is giving tools to the students.

Ms. Dinnen attended different functions of the Broad Foundation, attended a taping of the County Line BECON show whereby the topic of the district's budget and dealings with the state Legislature was discussed, and attended three graduation ceremonies.

Ms. Dinnen informed that Plantation High School held a Teen America Rocketry competition in Manassas, Virginia, with 1,700 teams competing. Plantation High School came in 9th out of 700 teams. The team will qualify again for the NASA Student Launch Initiative Grant. Mr. Joe Vallone is the aerospace teacher at the school and he is going to facilitate the NASA Advanced Rocketry workshop in Logan, Utah this summer. Mr. Vallone and his team will be featured on Teen Talk in September.

Ms. Dinnen attended and enjoyed Career Day at New River Middle School.

Ms. Dinnen wished everyone a safe summer.

Mr. Williams informed his colleagues that the Dillard Center for the Arts (DCA) has been nominated in two categories for *Nickelodeon's Parents' Picks Awards*. The DCA Music department is a nominee for Best Music Classes in South Florida and the DCA Art department is a nominee for Best Art Classes in South Florida. They were chosen due to high ratings and comments by ParentsConnect.com, a resource center for parents. The public is invited to vote once daily online through July 15 and winners will be announced on August 17, 2009.

Mr. Williams announced that Florida's Vision Quest brought its Mobile Outreach Program to Lauderdale Lakes Middle School on May 27, 2009. Vision Quest is a non-profit organization which travels to schools throughout Florida to provide students in need with free vision examinations and new eyeglasses. The program helps teachers and nurses identify students in need of help, recruits doctors to give free vision examinations and has developed a state-of-the-art optical lab that manufactures beautiful, contemporary glasses. Approximately 30 students benefited from full eye examinations and glasses during the mobile unit's visit. Mr. Williams stated that he and Florida Representative Hazel Rogers visited the mobile unit to personally thank the volunteers for their generous donation of time and resources to the school and community. Over the past 10 years, Florida's Vision Quest has provided services to more than 20,000 students in Broward County and 130,000 across the state of Florida.

Dr. Parks provided an update on the One Broward initiative which is comprised of seven partners, the school district, Broward County, Nova- Southeastern University, Florida Atlantic University, Broward College, North Broward Health, Memorial Health Care, and the Sheriff's Department. These groups have contributed monetarily and an assessment has been completed of existing broadband in Broward County. Dr. Parks stated that the Consortium is beginning to finalize all the legal documents for the rights of use and has developed a detailed financial plan.

Dr. Parks further stated that based on telecommunications there will be a savings of approximately \$3 million and a major cost savings to the district. Dr. Parks stated that what is being put together for One Broward is an example of what Congress is calling for in terms of partnerships, broadband connectivity and Digital Divide. Dr. Parks stated the school district takes refreshed laptops, trains parents at the schools and distribute them to parents so they have access to the internet.

Dr. Parks announced that engineering is in place to design a pilot program in all Deerfield Beach schools, due to the location of the Sheriff's Department towers and the FAU Research and Development Park.

Mrs. Bartleman attended all the Area Advisory luncheons. She thanked all parents and everyone involved in the advisories for their hard work this past school year. Mrs. Bartleman met with the Broward School Counselors Association members and forward their concerns to the Superintendent to address.

Mrs. Bartleman attended Career Day at Oriole Elementary and spoke with two 4th grade classes.

Mrs. Bartleman, who noted that under the ERP program there are 47 positions remaining, said she is hopeful that as ERP services are continued to be streamlined and staff is acclimated, that the positions be reviewed because some of them were suppose to be temporary positions.

Mrs. Bartleman expressed gratitude to teachers, administrators, staff, bus drivers, bus aides, maintenance, SIU, and all district school employees for a wonderful school year. She wished everyone a safe summer.

Ms. Gallagher congratulated all high school graduates and thanked all district employees for a wonderful and successful school year.

Ms. Gallagher informed her colleagues that the Governor signed the budget, vetoing two items – \$6 million from a trust fund which comes out of the FEFP. She stated there may be a Special Legislative Session to address this issue. In addition, the state employees pay cut was vetoed, and departments across the state will need to figure out how to cut their budgets.

Ms. Gallagher congratulated the South Area Leadership Training graduates, a program that was developed by Samuel Gregg and Jacquelyn Box. Ms. Gallagher wished everyone a great summer.

SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Notter announced that the Broward Education Foundation and the Bright Star Credit Union will sponsor and the employees end-of-year event at the Hard Rock Hotel beginning at 5:00 p.m., to honor and thank all district employees for a great school year.

Speakers

Skyler Rickett
Rhonda Ward
Mary Fertig
Stuart Krantz
Jane Synder
Wendy Frank

Speakers (Continued)

Paul Karasow
Patricia Halliday
Lisa Freire
Michael Helft

Ms. Dinnen requested the Superintendent to investigate concerns of speaker Rhonda Ward even if the investigation was previously reviewed in the past.

Ms. Dinnen asked the Superintendent to investigate concerns of speaker Wendy Frank, the process of removing Paula Johnson. Staff was further requested to provide the Board, in writing, the specific facts on the time frame and the whole process issue.

Mrs. Hope stated that she will provide staff with three similar cases to be investigated by staff.

Ms. Dinnen requested that Mr. Carter meet with speaker Michael Helft regarding his concerns on Bid 27-002B.

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. Gottlieb and carried, to approve the Consent Agenda for the remaining items.

CONSENT ITEMS

A. RESOLUTIONS

- A-1. Resolution No. 09-110 – Required Plat Improvements - Elementary School "C" (Adopted)

Adopted Resolution No. 09-110 Required Plat Improvements, Elementary School "C".

The School Board is platting the Elementary School "C" site 204.1 located within the City of Hollywood. As a condition of plat approval, the School Board must assure the County that school zone flashers, pavement markings and signs will be constructed. The School Board and County staff agrees that a resolution by the Board, committing to the improvements, will be sufficient in lieu of bonding for these improvements.

Exhibit "A" is a list of required improvements.

See Agenda Item J-21 for the companion construction phasing agreement for these improvements.

The financial impact to the school district is \$75,000. The source of funds is the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008/2009 to 2012/2013. The installation of school zone flashers is included in the construction contract.

B. BOARD MEMBERS

D. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF AUDITOR

E. CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER

E-1. Atomic Learning's Implementation, Integration and Support for Tech Skills Training Collection (Approved)

Approved the Agreement with Atomic Learning, Inc.

This agreement includes continued access to the current subscription to Atomic Learning's Tech Skills Training Collection site license, which includes Technology Skills Tutorials, Video Storytelling Guide, and Self-Assessment. Access will be provided for all staff, with parent and student access included at no charge.

In addition, this agreement will provide Broward County Public School's staff with access to Atomic Learning's forthcoming 21st Century PD and Tech Integration Collection. This comprehensive package provides 21st Century Skills Concept Training, 21st Century Skills Projects with downloadables, Workshops, Lesson Accelerators and Lesson Accelerator downloadables, NETS-S Student Assessment, NETS-T Teacher Assessment, and assessment reports.

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

The financial impact to the district from 2009–2012 is \$159,000 annually. The funds are available from the ETS Software and Hardware budget.

F. CURRICULUM/EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS & STUDENT SUPPORT

F-1. New Agreement with The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) (Approved)

Approved the new agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

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 new agreement with VA will provide clinical dental 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 following Health Science Education programs are located at 24 high schools: Allied Health Assisting, First Responder, Nursing Assistant and Practical Nursing.

The following Health Science Education programs are located at the technical centers: Central Service Technology, Medical Coder/Biller, Dental Laboratory Technology, 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, First Responder, 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.

The Department of Veterans Affairs will sign following School Board approval.

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

There is no financial impact to the district.

- F-2. Continuation of Agreements with Community-Based Organizations for the Provision of Educational Services for At-Risk Youth, Grades 1-12
(Approved)

Approved the agreements with community-based organizations for provision of educational services for at-risk youth, grades 1-12.

The proposed agreements provide for the delivery of educational services to youth participating in programs serving delinquent, abused, neglected, substance abuse, dependent in foster care, run-away, and expulsion abeyance students. Students participate voluntarily or are assigned either by the School Board or court action.

All programs meet the definition of Educational Services' Dropout Prevention Programs as defined in Florida Statute 1003.53.

Each program has a Direct Service Agreement with Broward County Public Schools. Direct Service Agreements provide educational services through District-hired teachers/staff. The programs are assigned to the principal of a select center (Cypress Run, Lanier James, and Whispering Pines) for administrative and contractual oversight. The programs target runaway youth and youth in substance abuse treatment centers. The programs are located at High Point, Spectrum Programs and Fort Lauderdale Hospital.

The educational services funding is allocated as per school budget guidelines for Disciplinary Centers through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP).

The agreements have been reviewed and approved as to form and legal content by the School Board Attorney.

There is a financial impact of \$646,218 to the district. The source of these funds is the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP). There is no additional financial impact to the district.

F-3. Proposed Consultant Agreement with Salter Mitchell, Inc. (Approved)

Approved consultant agreement for Safe Schools/Healthy Students Grant Social Norms Initiative.

On the 2008 Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey, 16.8% of middle school students and 37.3% of high school students surveyed reported using alcohol in the past 30 days. In addition, 45.6% of middle school students and 45.5% of high school students surveyed reported risk of harm from drinking alcohol.

The Safe Schools/Healthy Students and Safe and Drug-Free Schools Grants funding allow for prevention education efforts in Broward County by supporting the development and implementation of a comprehensive prevention program district-wide that promotes positive and socially accepted behaviors (norms). This initiative will be aimed specifically at addressing underage drinking among our youth.

The Social Norms project will address these issues, promoting school safety and healthy youth development in our middle and high schools.

The project proposal was reviewed by Broward County Schools' Institutional Review Board (IRB) and approval for the research has been granted.

The financial impact is \$30,000. The source of funds is the Safe and Drug-Free Schools grant and the Safe Schools/Healthy Students grant, both funded by the United States Department of Education. This is a condition of the acceptance of the grant. There is no additional financial impact to the district.

F-4. Continuation Agreements with Various Health Care Facilities
(Approved)

Approved the continuation agreements between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, The Health Center of Coconut Creek, Inc., Manor Pines Convalescent Center, LLC, Atlantic Shores Hospital, LLC, Broward Nursing and Rehabilitation Center LLC and Community Blood Centers of South Florida, Inc.

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The continuation agreements with The Health Center of Coconut Creek, Inc., Manor Pines Convalescent Center, LLC, Atlantic Shores Hospital, LLC, Broward Nursing and Rehabilitation Center LLC and Community Blood Centers of South Florida, Inc., 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, Nursing Assistant 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.

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-5. Agreement with University of North Florida for Working on Gifted Issues (WOGI) On-Line Course (Withdrawn)

F-6. Grant Applications (Approved)

Approved the submission of grant applications to:

- A. American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Foundation Classroom Grant, \$200
- B. Airborne Teacher Trust Fund, \$2,280
- C. ExxonMobil Educational Alliance, \$750
- D. Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) Part B, \$31,250,166
IDEA Preschool Grant for Children with Disabilities Ages 3-5, \$983,955
- E. ING Unsung Heroes Award, \$8,000
- F. Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Grant, \$176,279
- G. State Farm Good Neighbor Service-Learning Award Grant Program, \$996
- H. Title I, Part A: Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged, \$24,212,824

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 \$56,635,450 from various sources. There is no additional financial impact to the school district.

F-7. Continuation Agreement between WorkForce One Employment Solutions and The School Board of Broward County, Florida (Approved)

Approved the continuation of the Summer Youth Employment Program Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and WorkForce One Employment Solutions.

WorkForce One Employment Solutions is once again partnering with the Children's Services Council to provide more than 1,500 economically disadvantaged youth, between the ages of 14-24, subsidized summer employment opportunities for a 30-hour workweek for up to a period of eight weeks. This summer employment opportunity will begin on June 15, 2009 and will end on August 31, 2009.

The program provides an opportunity for various departments and schools to provide supervised, safe and meaningful summer employment opportunities for qualified youth from low-income families.

The Career, Technical, Adult and Community Education Department will coordinate the summer program and provide assistance to departments and schools that elect to participate in the program. The participating departments and schools will identify the employment needs and opportunities for students to work part time during the summer. WorkForce One Employment Solutions and the Children's Services Council will identify the students and pay the wages for participants.

WorkForce One will sign following School Board approval.

This agreement has been reviewed and 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 Reappointments 2009-2010, Instructional Appointments and Leaves for 2008-2009 School Year
(Approved as amended)

Approved the personnel recommendations for Reappointments for the 2009-2010 school year, and 2008-2009 appointments and leaves as listed in 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. (This item was amended to reflect removing Drop Extension Teachers and Teachers on the Retirement Assistance Program (RAP) from the recommendation).

The Personnel Recommendations for Instructional Employees include the following items:

1. Instructional Reappointments 2009-2010
2. Teacher Approvals
3. Substitute Teacher Approvals
4. Interim Substitute Teachers
5. Temporary Hourly Teacher Approvals
6. Teacher Extension of Calendar
7. 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)

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.

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 & 2009-2010 School Years
(Approved as amended)

Approve the personnel recommendations for appointments and reassignments and 2009-2010 reappointments 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. (This item was amended to add pages 62-63 to Section 7, add pages 64-70 to Section 8; add page 71 to Section 9).

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

1. Non-Instructional Reappointments 2009-2010
(A copy of this exhibit is available in the Board Members' Office on the 14th floor of the KC Wright Building, the public stand in the lobby of the KC Wright Building.)
2. Non-Instructional Approval(s)
3. Non-Instructional Reassignment(s)-Promotion(s)
4. Non-Instructional Reassignment(s)-Demotion(s)
5. Non-Instructional Substitutes/Temporaries
6. Non-Instructional Leave(s)-Layoff(s)
7. District Managerial/Professional/Technical
8. Reassignment of Current School-Based/District Managerial/Professional Technical Personnel
9. School-Based Managerial

10. School-Based/District Managerial Acting/Special/Task Assignment(s)
11. School-Based/District Managerial/Professional/Technical Leave(s)
12. Salary Adjustment
13. Reappointment/ Reassignment Recommendations for 2009-2010
 - A. Recommended School-based Administrators-Reassignment & Reappointment of Principals for 2009-2010
 - B. Recommended School-based Administrators-Reassignment & Reappointment of Assistant Principals for 2009-2010
 - C. Recommendation for Certified and Non-certified District/ Area Administrative & Supervisory, Professional and Technical Positions for 2009-2010

Funding has been budgeted in 08-09 fiscal year for all appointments through June 30, 2009. Funding must be budgeted in 09-10 fiscal year for appointments and new hires.

Newly-appointed district personnel were recognized and congratulated.

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 #19 (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Bartleman, seconded by Ms. Gallagher and carried, to approve 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 47.

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

Ms. Gallagher stated she wanted to add Supplemental Pay Positions at a future Budget workshop, as she has heard discussion at the schools that other teachers are getting extra surpluses. Ms. Gallagher stated she wants to ensure that when making the surpluses and making cuts, that the district is actually saving money.

H. ATTORNEY

- H-1. Settlement Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and Pass International, Inc. (Approved)

Approved the Settlement Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and Pass International, Inc.

The parties have existing between them certain differences arising out of the September 12, 1997, Agreement entered into between The School Board of Broward County, Florida ("SBBC"), and Pass International, Inc., ("PASS") for the construction of the Replacement School of Deerfield Beach Middle School, Project No. 0911-94-02 ("Project"). During the course of the Project, certain Change Orders to the Work were required or requested by SBBC, PASS, or both, and disputes arose regarding the payment of these Change Orders.

As a result of these disputes, on or about October 6, 2006, PASS filed its initial Complaint (amended 5/4/07) against SBBC in Broward County Case Number 06-15416 (21), alleging entitlement to damages for unpaid change orders in the amount of One Hundred Seventy Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Nine 81/100 Dollars (\$170,939.81).

As a result of extensive discovery and negotiation between the Parties, and subject to Board Approval of the Settlement Agreement, PASS has agreed to accept the total sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500) from the SBBC in full and final settlement of PASS' claims.

Once the Settlement Agreement has been approved by SBBC and all documents referenced in the document have been exchanged, SBBC will pay the settlement sums to PASS in accordance with the Settlement Agreement.

District staff, the School Board Attorney, The School Board's cadre counsel, Steven B. Lesser, Esq., and Neil H. Levinson, Esq., recommend approval of the Settlement Agreement as a fair and reasonable cost-effective resolution of PASS' claims for damages against SBBC.

The financial impact to the district is \$7,500. The source of funding is the Legal and Contingency Reserve.

I. OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

I-1. Naming Elementary School "Z" (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Kraft, seconded by Ms. Gallagher and carried, to request that The School Board of Broward County, Florida consider the official name for the elementary school known as "Z" as HERON HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

On April 3, 2009, a memo was sent home to parents and students at the feeder schools as well as community members announcing a meeting for name suggestions on April 13, 2009. On April 20, 2009 a committee comprised of 9 parents and 1 student met to review and condense the list for the final ballot. On April 22, 2009, ballots were sent home to parents, posted on the website and distributed to local preschools.

The ballot consisted of 5 choices and 1 write-in option. One vote per family was allowed. Voting was conducted by placing a check next to the name selection. On April 29, 2009, the naming committee tallied all votes received by 4:00 pm that day. The school name with the most votes was HERON HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

There is no financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Kraft informed her colleagues that there has been concerns over the naming of the schools, and the Board is always hopeful that schools will be named for dignitaries or deceased, prominent school leaders.

Remarking that the district's process allows the community to participate in the choosing of the school's name, Mrs. Kraft stated that the process was followed "to the letter." She stated that the two e-mail concerns she received were from individuals did not live within the boundary of the school but from another part of Parkland who had an issue with the name of the school.

Mrs. Kraft further stated that Mr. Kenneth King, Principal, Heron Heights, explained to her that the neighborhood surrounding the school is Heron Bay which is comprised of areas of Parkland and Coral Springs. In addition, Heron refers also to the bird that lives in the mangroves and marsh areas around Florida. She stated there were 277 submissions of names and 146 of those included the name Heron in the title. There were 18 submissions for Heron Heights, 29 suggestions for Green Heron, 67 for Heron Crossing, and others.

Mrs. Kraft informed that the names were shortlisted to five names; Heron Heights, Heron Crossing, Green Heron, North Glades and North Grove. 302 votes were taken; Heron Heights received 109, followed by Heron Crossing and Green Heron. Mrs. Kraft stated she felt confident that the choice made by the attending community did reflect their wishes.

The following individual addressed this item:

Stuart Krantz

Remarking that many schools in her district have "Silver" in their names, Ms. Gallagher stated the district policy allows schools to review the naming of their school, if they want to name the school after a historic figure. She stated the Broward school district is one of the few school districts to not name their schools after U.S. presidents.

Mrs. Kraft stated that the school was built in anticipation of additional growth in the area. She stated when an area is built in an area that is not 100 percent occupied, it leaves out a certain percentage of the population that may have an affect on the naming of the school.

Mr. King stated that the community voted for the hawk as the school mascot and the colors are hunter green, navy blue and white.

I-2. Naming Elementary School "A" (Approved)

Motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Ms. Gallagher and carried, to request that The School Board of Broward County, Florida consider the official name for the elementary school known as "A" as DISCOVERY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Mrs. Gottlieb was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

On March 31, 2009, a flyer was sent home to parents and students at the feeder schools, as well as community members, requesting suggestions for names. Name-gathering meetings occurred at feeder schools on April 14-16, 2009. On April 22, 2009, a committee comprised of 14 parents and three staff members met to review and condense the list to the top nine names. A meeting was held on April 22, 2009, at which time parents, students, and staff voted for the top three names. A final vote occurred on April 29, 2009. One vote per family was allowed. Voting was conducted by stakeholders selecting the name of their choice on the ballot. The school name with the most votes was DISCOVERY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

There is no financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Hope stated she was pleased with the name, small children discovering a wonderful environment. She thanked Principal Angela Fulton for the great job she is doing.

Ms. Fulton indicated that the mascot will be the dolphin and the colors will be teal, black and gray.

Mrs. Kraft was pleased with the choice, as several students feeding into the new Discovery school are coming from Challenger Elementary.

I-3. Name the Hallandale Adult Community Center Classroom Addition (Approved)

Approved the naming of the Hallandale Adult Community Center classroom addition the "Dr. Henry W. Mack Building".

Dr. Henry W. Mack is known throughout the school district for his exemplary and unwavering commitment to the district and its students. Perhaps best known as the distinguished Chairperson of the district's Audit Committee, Dr. Mack continues to move our systems and procedures forward, with precision. Not as well known, however is Dr. Mack's belief in and support of Hallandale Adult Community Center. For the past 14 years, Dr. Mack has been a staunch supporter of the school, its students and its mission, and a passionate spokesperson for the schools at-risk students, whose voice is seldom heard.

The 12-classroom addition is one of the most significant initiatives that Dr. Mack assisted HACC to bring to fruition. It is therefore both fitting and appropriate to recognize the efforts, achievements and support of this dedicated individual by honoring him by naming the 12-classroom addition the "Dr. Henry W. Mack" Building.

There is no financial impact to the district.

J. FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

- J-1. Rejection of All Bids – Revision to Bus and Parent Drop Off – Riverside Elementary School, Coral Springs – Project No. P.000544 (f.k.a. 3031-25-01) (Approved)

Approved the rejection of all bids received for Riverside Elementary School, Revisions to Bus and Parent Drop Off, Coral Springs, Project No. P.000544.

The reason for rejecting the bids is due to the lack of funding.

Consultant: Flynn Engineering Services, P.A.
Scope of Work: Revisions to bus and parent drop off parking lot, including new parking spots, extend the existing sidewalk, and provide a new covered walkway.

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

- J-2. 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 May 13, 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:

*Air Ideal, Inc. – Issue Pre-qualification Certification
Balfour Beatty Construction, LLC – Issue Pre-qualification Re-Certification
Dodec, Inc. – Issue Pre-qualification Re-Certification
*Electrical Contracting Service, Inc. – Issue Pre-qualification Certification
**Fastrack Management & Consulting, Inc. – Issue Pre-qualification Re-Certification
Kaufman Lynn, Inc., General Contractors – Issue Pre-qualification Re-Certification
M.V.P. Contractors, Inc. – Issue Pre-qualification Re-Certification

NDR Corporation – Issue Pre-qualification Re-Certification
Roth Bros., Inc. – Issue Pre-qualification Re-Certification
Skanska USA Building Inc. – Issue Pre-qualification Re-Certification
Soares Da Costa Contractor, LLC – Issue Recommendation to Revise
Tarheel Corporation – Issue Pre-qualification Re-Certification
Tarheel Roofing, Inc. – Issue Pre-qualification Re-Certification
**Temptrol Air Conditioning, Inc. – Issue Pre-qualification Re-Certification
*Wildflower South LLC – Issue Pre-qualification Certification

*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.

Contractor Pre-Qualification Staff Application Review Executive Summaries are available for review at the Design & Construction Contracts Department.

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

- J-3. Increase Supplement/Reimbursable Fees for Services/Professional Services Agreement – Mc Harry and Associates, Inc. – Cafeteria/Multipurpose Building, Replacement and Miscellaneous Improvements – Boulevard Heights Elementary School, Hollywood – Project No. P.000180 (f.k.a. 0971-21-01) (Approved)

Approved the increase to the Supplemental/Reimbursable Fees from \$60,000 to \$80,000 for the Professional Services Agreement dated May 2, 2006 between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and MC Harry and Associates, Inc.

This increase of \$20,000 is required to cover expenses for threshold inspection services as required by Florida Statute 553.71 (7).

Funds for this increase of \$20,000 are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, page 39. This project is financed by the Certificates Of Participation (COPs).

- J-4. Final Acceptance and Release of Retainage – Balfour Beatty Construction, LLC – Replacement Multipurpose Kitchen/Cafeteria – Bennett Elementary School, Fort Lauderdale – Project No. P.000033 (f.k.a.0201-23-01) (Approved)

Approved the Final Acceptance of the Bennett Elementary School, Replacement Multipurpose Kitchen/Cafeteria, Project No. P.000033, and release the balance of retainage in the amount of \$189,177.

The contractor, Balfour Beatty Construction LLC, has completed the project scope of work within the contract limits, thereby releasing retainage in the amount of \$189,177.

The funds being released totaling \$189,177 are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years, 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, page 38.

- J-5. Reciprocal Use of Facilities Agreement with the City of Cooper City (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Hope, seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb and carried, to approve the reciprocal use of facilities agreement with Cooper City.

This agreement will allow the City to use School Board facilities and allow the various schools within the City to use City facilities. Without this agreement, each party would be required to provide proof of insurance and indemnification on a case-by-case basis. This agreement provides these items and eliminates the need for this continuing repetitive documentation. The City will also be able to utilize school facilities for summer programs and other activities on non-school days.

The term of the agreement is for five years at no cost to the Board.

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

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

Remarking that she spoke with Mr. Tom Coates, Executive Director, Facility Management, Planning & Site Acquisition, about this issue, Ms. Gallagher stated that a change was made this year to the Interlocal Agreement and the municipalities are being billed for electrical use and other fees. The city would like to meet with staff and work out an agreement, indicating they would rather pay the money to Pioneer Middle or to Cooper City High rather than send it to district administration.

Ms. Gallagher requested that staff meet with them to discuss and work out some type of an agreement.

Mr. Notter responded if the fees were sent to, as an example, Cooper City, the high school would have to remit a check to the district because the district pays the bill. Mr. Notter stated the cost involves the increase in the electric for the use of the building.

Ms. Gallagher stated that Cooper City has been a very good partner and one of the only municipalities that placed an SRD in every school, which is included in their contract. She stated, when the Sheriff pulls out their SRDs, Cooper City will pay the Sheriff to place SRDs in the schools. Ms. Gallagher reiterated that staff should meet with the city and work out an agreement as a measure of goodwill.

Mr. Notter noted there are 31 municipalities, the majority who have Reciprocal Use Agreements. Mr. Notter voiced concern that a school would receive the dollars and put into a discretionary account to be used however the school would want to use it. The only reason for the charge is the increase in the electric bill. Mr. Notter stated that staff can meet with them, so there is consistency across all the Reciprocal Use Agreements.

Mrs. Gottlieb stated that the City of Cooper City may not realize that the school does not pay their own electric bill, that the district pays the bill. She concurred that a sit-down conversation would let them know how the district operates internally and the process of paying district bills.

Concurring that there is a misunderstanding, Ms. Gallagher stated that the city received the bill before the Board voted on the reciprocal agreements. Ms. Gallagher suggested a Motion to Defer until the Superintendent can have a conversation with the City Manager or the Mayor of Cooper City.

Motion to Defer (Withdrawn)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Hope, to defer the agenda item until the Superintendent can have a conversation with the City Manager or the Mayor of Cooper City.

Mrs. Bartleman inquired about any implications that may occur if there is a deferral. She inquired whether this could impact the summer camp programs.

Mr. Jeff Moquin, Executive Director, Support Operations, informed that the clause regarding the assessment of an energy charge or a custodial maintenance charge is only for hours beyond normal operations. He stated that the assessment component language within the Reciprocal Agreement with the City of Cooper City has always been included, but he cannot state that it has been implemented.

Ms. Gallagher stated the issue is the 4-day week; the city operates their programs out of Pioneer Middle and their sports programs out of Cooper City High School and the elementary schools, and their programs run through Saturdays.

Reminding her colleagues that the item has been deferred twice, Mrs. Kraft inquired if this item is deferred should all the other agreements be deferred. Mrs. Kraft stated she is not comfortable deferring this item without all of the agreements, to get a comprehensive review. On the other hand, she is not sure any of them need to be deferred because both sides had time to look at the agreements and ascertain if there is a problem. Mrs. Kraft offered a friendly amendment to defer all the reciprocal use agreements.

Mr. Garretson informed that the agreement with the City of Sunrise is the only agreement that is not consistent with the other agreements, and it will expire before the summer program begins.

Ms. Dinnen requested that staff find out information on the impact of deferring the item.

Ms. Gallagher requested that staff contact the City Manager at Cooper City to discuss the issue, and maybe come to an agreement prior to the conclusion of the School Board meeting.

Motion to Table (Carried)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Kraft and carried, to table the agenda item until the end of the meeting. (A vote was taken on the motion).

Following the Board Report by Mrs. Gottlieb, the following motion was made:

Motion to Remove Item from Table (Carried)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb and carried, to remove the agenda item from the table, for further discussion.

Mr. Garretson informed that he spoke with Mr. Bruce Loucks, City Manager, Cooper City, along with Mr. Carter, Mr. Moquin, Mr. Coates and Mr. Jonathan Peservich, Director, Real Estate. Mr. Garretson informed the Board that the agreement is fully executed by the city, by the mayor and the city commission.

Mr. Garretson indicated that the City Manager said they can handle the Fridays off, but their main issue is that the Optimist Club provides a \$5,000 a year gratuitous gift to the high school to help their athletic programs. Historically, these programs had always been conducted during the five-day school week. The City Manager voiced concern that this money has been paid for many years and he did not want the Optimist Club contribution to be used to defray the electrical costs.

Mr. Garretson further stated that a separate agreement can be drafted for School Board approval with the City and the Optimist Club that would address this issue, which was agreed to by the City Manager.

Concurring, Ms. Gallagher stated she would withdraw the Motion to Defer as long as conversation on this issue continues.

A vote was taken on the item.

J-6. Reciprocal Use of Facilities Agreement with the City of Deerfield Beach
(Approved)

Approved the reciprocal use of facilities agreement with the City of Deerfield Beach.

This agreement will allow the City to use School Board facilities and allow the various schools within the City to use City facilities. Without this agreement, each party would be required to provide proof of insurance and indemnification on a case-by-case basis. This agreement provides these items and eliminates the need for this continuing repetitive documentation. The City will also be able to utilize school facilities for summer programs and other activities on non-school days.

The term of the agreement is for five years at no cost to the Board.

The City will execute the agreement after School Board approval.

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

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

J-7. Reciprocal Use of Facilities Agreement with the City of Hollywood
(Approved)

Approved the reciprocal use of facilities agreement with the City of Hollywood.

This agreement will allow the City to use School Board facilities and allow the various schools within the City to use City facilities. Without this agreement, each party would be required to provide proof of insurance and indemnification on a case-by-case basis. This agreement provides these items and eliminates the need for this continuing repetitive documentation. The City will also be able to utilize school facilities for summer programs and other activities on non-school days. The term of the agreement is for five years at no cost to the Board.

The City will execute the agreement after School Board approval.

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

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

J-8. Reciprocal Use of Facilities Agreement with the City of Tamarac
(Approved)

Approved the reciprocal use of facilities agreement with the City of Tamarac.

This agreement will allow the City to use School Board facilities and allow the various schools within the City to use City facilities. Without this agreement, each party would be required to provide proof of insurance and indemnification on a case-by-case basis. This agreement provides these items and eliminates the need for this continuing repetitive documentation.

The City will also be able to utilize school facilities for summer programs and other activities on non-school days.

The term of the agreement is for five years at no cost to the Board.

The City will execute the agreement after School Board approval.

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

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

- J-9. Final Acceptance and Release of Retainage – S.A Consultants, LLC – Riverland Elementary School, Fort Lauderdale – Exterior Remediation Renovations – Project No. P.000022 (f.k.a 0151-97-01) (Approved)

Approved the Final Acceptance of the Riverland Elementary School General Purpose Classroom Project No. P000022, and release the balance of retainage in the amount of \$216,034.

The contractor, S.A Consultants, LLC, has completed the project scope of work within the contract limits. The Facilities and Construction Management Division is recommending that the retainage be released in the amount of \$216,034.

The funds being released totaling \$216,034 are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years, 2005-2006 to 2009-2010, page 85.

- J-10. Third Amendment to the Reciprocal Use Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and the City of Sunrise (Not Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Gottlieb, seconded by Mrs. Hope, to approve the third amendment to the reciprocal use agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and the City of Sunrise. (0-9 vote)

The School Board of Broward County, Florida is desirous of using the City of Sunrise parks and recreational areas and the City of Sunrise is desirous of using The School Board of Broward County, Florida, facilities. The City of Sunrise requests to extend the original agreement for the third of three (3) two (2) year terms.

The term of this agreement is to be extended to June 22, 2011.

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

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

Motion to Re-open Agenda (Carried)

Motion was made by Mrs. Gottlieb, seconded by Mrs. Bartleman and carried, to re-open the agenda. (A vote was taken on the motion.)

J-10 was pulled for consideration. A vote was taken on the item, without discussion.

Motion to Close Agenda (Carried)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb and carried, to close the agenda. (A vote was taken on the motion).

J-11. Reciprocal Use of Facilities Agreement with the City of Sunrise
(Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Gottlieb, seconded by Ms. Gallagher and carried, to approve the reciprocal use of Facilities Agreement with the City of Sunrise.

The Board desires to terminate the reciprocal use agreement dated June 24, 2003, as amended, and execute a new agreement in order to ensure consistency in all municipalities' reciprocal use agreements.

The new agreement replaces the third amendment to the reciprocal use agreement prepared by the City of Sunrise and approved by the City Commission.

This agreement will allow the City to use School Board facilities and allow the various schools within the City to use City facilities. Without this agreement, each party would be required to provide proof of insurance and indemnification on a case-by-case basis. This agreement provides these items and eliminates the need for this continuing repetitive documentation. The City will also be able to utilize school facilities for summer programs and other activities on non-school days.

The term of the agreement is for five years at no cost to the Board.

The City will execute the agreement after School Board approval.

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

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

Mrs. Hope informed that she met with staff regarding her meeting with the City Commission and the Facilities Agreement, which was re-written to reflect similar agreements throughout Broward County. She stated she has no concerns with the item moving forward, because a comparable agreement has been reached between district staff and the city.

Mr. Garretson informed that a memorandum was submitted to the Board requesting that Agenda Item J-10 be voted down.

Ms. Dinnen stated that the agenda must be re-opened in order to vote on the item.

A vote was taken on this item.

J-12. Change Orders (Approved)

Approved change orders as listed for various school projects, and approve additional appropriation of \$98,156 from the Capital Projects Reserve.

<u>Anderson, Boyd H. High</u>		Change Order 11	\$11,499
Owner Request	\$11,499		
<u>Crystal Lake Middle</u>		Change Order 08	\$8,776
Consultant Error	\$1,633		
Owner Request	\$7,143		
<u>Ely, Blanche High</u>		Change Order 01	\$77,881
Owner Request	\$77,881		
<u>Flamingo Elementary</u>		Change Order 01	\$-36,656 (CREDIT)
Consultant Error	\$-32,570 (CREDIT)		
Owner Request	\$-4,086 (CREDIT)		
<u>Lauderdale Manors Elementary</u>		Change Order 01	\$3,648
Unforeseen Condition	\$3,648		
<u>Norcrest Elementary</u>		Change Order 02	\$104,095
Consultant Error	\$104,095		
<u>Sunshine Elementary</u>		Change Order 01	\$1,054
Consultant Error	\$454		
Unforeseen Condition	\$600		
<u>Wingate Oaks Center</u>		Change Order 02	\$10,496
Owner Request	\$10,496		

Financial Impact: Anderson, Boyd H. High – Project No.: P.000326 \$11,499; Crystal Lake Middle – Project No.: P.000366 \$8,776; Ely, Blanche High – Project No.: P.000068 \$77,881. An additional financial impact of \$98,156 will come from the Capital Projects Reserve. There is no additional financial impact to the district for the remaining projects.

- J-13. Reduction of Retainage – DiPompeo Construction Corporation – New Cafeteria and 8-Classroom Addition – Sheridan Park Elementary School, Hollywood – Project No. P.000266 (f.k.a. 1321-21-02) (Approved)

Approved the recommendation to reduce retainage now being held on Sheridan Park Elementary School, New Cafeteria and 8-Classroom Addition, Project No. P.000266 for the Contractor DiPompeo Construction Corporation from \$128,090 to \$144.

In accordance with School Board Policy 7005, the Facilities and Construction Management Department is recommending that the retainage be reduced from \$128,090 to \$144. The amount of \$144 is being withheld pending final acceptance of the project.

The funds being released totaling \$127,946 are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years, 2007-2008 to 2011-2012, page 97.

- J-14. Increase Supplemental/Reimbursable Fees for Services/Professional Services Agreement – Cubellis, Inc. – New Kitchen/Cafeteria & Enclose Media Center – Annabel C. Perry Elementary School, Miramar – Project No. P.000294 (f.k.a. 1631-23-01) (Approved)

Approved the increase to the Supplemental/Reimbursable Fees from \$30,000 to \$40,000 for the Professional Services Agreement dated July 6, 2004, between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and Cubellis, Inc.

This increase of \$10,000 will be to prepare a Castaldi Report for the existing cafeteria building.

Funds for the requested increase of \$10,000 are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, page 104.

- J-15. Reduction of Retainage – Balfour Beatty Construction, Inc. – 32-Classroom Addition – Fort Lauderdale High School – Project No. P.000177 (f.k.a. 0951-26-02) (Approved)

Approved the recommendation to reduce retainage now being held on Fort Lauderdale High School, 32-Classroom Addition, Project No. P.000177 for the Contractor Balfour Beatty Construction, Inc., from \$333,022 to \$1,000.

In accordance with School Board Policy 7005, the Facilities and Construction Management Department is recommending that the retainage be reduced from \$333,022 to \$1,000. The amount of \$1,000 is being withheld pending final completion of the project.

This project will be brought back to the Board for Final Acceptance and Release of Retainage.

The funds being released totaling \$332,022 were in a previously Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years, 2006-2007 to 2010-2011, page 108.

- J-16. Final Construction Documents and Authorization to Bid Under Construction Services Minor Projects Contract – Fire Sprinkler Installation – Bair Middle, Sunrise – Project No. P.000448 (f.k.a 2611-27-25) (Approved)

Approved Final Construction Documents and Authorization to Bid under Construction Services Minor Projects Contracts for Bair Middle, Fire Sprinkler Installation, Project No. P.000448.

Project Consultant: The Corradino Group

Scope of Work: Install fire sprinklers.

Replacement of ceiling grids is no longer needed due to new method of installation.

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 \$787,171. The source of funds are identified in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008-2009 to 2012-2013.

- J-17. Grant of Sidewalk Easement to the City of Sunrise at Elementary School A (Approved)

Approved a grant of sidewalk easement to the City of Sunrise at Elementary School A.

Elementary School A construction plans reflect the placement of a sidewalk to be used for the public purpose on School Board owned land. The City of Sunrise requires the School Board grant a sidewalk easement for the use of this small section of sidewalk by the public.

The School Board Attorney approved the easement as to form and legal content.

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

J-18. Reciprocal Use of Facilities Agreement with the City of Lauderdale Lakes (Approved)

Approved the reciprocal use of facilities agreement with the City of Lauderdale Lakes.

This agreement will allow the City to use School Board facilities and allow the various schools within the City to use City facilities. Without this agreement, each party would be required to provide proof of insurance and indemnification on a case-by-case basis.

This agreement provides these items and eliminates the need for the continuing repetitive documentation. The City will also be able to utilize school facilities for summer programs and other activities on non-school days.

The term of the agreement is for five years at no cost to the Board.

The City will execute the agreement after School Board approval.

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

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

J-19. 2009 Graduation Contract with War Memorial Auditorium for the College Academy at Broward College (Approved)

Approved the 2009 graduation contract with War Memorial Auditorium for the College Academy at Broward College.

The College Academy at Broward College will hold its graduation rehearsal and graduation exercises on June 27, 2009, at War Memorial Auditorium.

It is the policy of the venue that the licensee executes the contract first.

The School Board Attorney has approved the contract as to form and legal content.

There is an estimated financial impact to the school district of \$3,300, which will be paid from the Student Activities Department's budget. This item does not require a collaboration form from the Capital Budget Department.

J-20. Grant of Utility Easement to Florida Power and Light (FPL) for Electrical Service at Elementary School "Z" (Approved)

Approved the grant of utility easement to Florida Power and Light (FPL) for electrical service at Elementary School Z.

A ten (10) foot utility easement is required by Florida Power and Light to provide electrical service to Elementary School Z in Parkland.

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

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

J-21. Installation of Required Improvements Agreement for the Lincoln Park/Elementary School "C" Plat (Approved)

Approved the installation of required improvements agreement for the Lincoln Park/Elementary School "C" Plat.

The School Board has acquired 5.41 acres of land contained within several parcels. The Broward County Planning Council has determined platting is required by Section D.2, Chapter IV, of the Broward County Land Use Plan.

As part of the platting process, the City of Hollywood has requested the inclusion of the city's Lincoln Park since a portion of the park will be used to satisfy the structural and recreational components of Elementary School "C". The plat has been submitted and approved by the Board of County Commissioners of Broward County on October 28, 2008. A condition of plat recordation requires the School Board execute the Installation of Required Improvements Agreement and adopt a Resolution as security for the installation of school zone flashers on Lincoln Street, North 24th Avenue and Pierce Street.

See agenda item A-1 for the Resolution.

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

The School Board's financial impact is addressed in Resolution A-1. Since there is no financial impact to the school district, this item does not require a collaboration form from the Capital Budget Department.

K. OFFICE OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

OPEN ITEMS

AA. RESOLUTIONS

BB. BOARD MEMBERS

CC. BOARD POLICIES

- CC-1. Proposed Revised Job Descriptions, Job Titles, Pay Grades, and Minimum Qualifications for fourteen (14) Educational Support Professional Positions for The School Board of Broward County, Florida
(Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Bartleman, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to adopt revisions to the job titles, pay grades, and minimum qualifications of the following Teacher Aide and Teacher Assistant job descriptions, for The School Board of Broward County, Florida: Primary Education Program Aide/Teacher Aide, Exceptional Student Compliance Aide, Teacher Aide-Instructional, Teacher Aide-Head Start/Pre-K/Pre-School ESE, Teacher Aide-Instructional-ESE, Teacher Aide-Non-Instructional-ESE, Teacher Aide-Non-Instructional; Primary Education Program Aide/Teacher Assistant, Teacher Assistant-Multicultural Education, Teacher Assistant-BEAMS, Teacher Assistant, Speech-Language Teacher Assistant, Teacher Assistant- Head Start/Pre-K/Pre-School ESE, and Teacher Assistant-ESE as well as the salary schedules. This is the final reading.

The requested actions are required to implement the job study recommendations for Teacher Aide and Teacher Assistant positions.

This study was performed to fulfill an agreement, between The School Board of Broward County and The Broward Para Professional Association, now known as Broward Teachers Union – Educational Support Professionals (ESP), to evaluate the internal equity and external competitiveness of Educational Support Professional positions and pay levels, in relationship to mandated Highly Qualified requirements under NCLB. Implementation of this study was an element of the 2008-2009 Collective Bargaining Agreement; funds have been set aside from the salary increase budget for this purpose. The effective date of the upgrades is July 1, 2008. See Executive Summary.

The total financial impact to the district, including benefits, is \$387,003. Full funding has been retained in the 2008-2009 salary increase budget for these increases, and associated cost of benefits. There is no additional financial impact to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

CC-2. Proposed Revised Job Description and Minimum Qualifications for the Food Service Manager – Intern Position for The School Board of Broward County, Florida (Adopted)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Bartleman and carried, to adopt the revised job description and minimum qualifications for the Food Service Manager – Intern position for The School Board of Broward County, Florida. This is the final reading.

Revisions to this job description are requested to broaden the potential pool of eligible applicants by updating the job requirements and ensuring comparable standards are required for internal and external applicants.

The standard calendar is also updated to correctly document the past practice of actual paid days, including required workdays and paid holidays according to the terms of the bargaining agreement. These job description revisions have been developed jointly by representatives from the FOPE-Food Service bargaining unit and Food and Nutrition Services management.

There is no additional financial impact to the district budget.

No discussion was held on this item.

CC-3. Student Progression Plan, Policy 6000.1 (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Bartleman, seconded by Ms. Gallagher and carried, to adopt revisions to Policy 6000.1, at this final reading. Ms. Gallagher voted "no." (8-1 vote)

Policy 6000.1, Student Progression Plan, revisions were brought to a School Board Workshop on March 31, 2009. The revisions shared at the workshop and included here, reflect the discussion and direction at the workshop and some minor clarifications.

All changes are reflected with underlines and strikethroughs. This policy has been reviewed by the School Board Attorney's office.

There is no financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Kraft discussed the implementation regarding the computer competency and who has to meet this requirement. Referring to pages 42 and 43, Mrs. Kraft stated the language was tweaked to clarify that students that are currently in middle school and have met the current computer competency requirement would be grandfathered in. She said this year's incoming students would have to comply with the new computer competency criteria.

Mrs. Leah Kelly, Executive Director, Student Support Services, stated there are computer competency requirements in middle school and middle school courses that they take may meet those requirements. She noted the only way they would meet the new requirements in middle school is if they took one of the designated high school courses to meet that requirement, which have not been completely identified.

Mrs. Kraft further stated that Guidance Counselors in the middle schools need to ensure that the incoming 6th grade students are aware that if they are interested in taking a computer course as an elective it may or may not actually meet the computer requirement. She requested that staff provide the list of required courses designated before the beginning of the school year, and that the information be added to the procedural manual.

Responding to Mrs. Kraft's inquiry about the alignment of the Virtual Counselor with the new requirements, Mrs. Kelly stated that the information has been corrected online, indicating if the student did take a course it would indicate that the requirement was completed.

Ms. Gallagher stated there has been past discussion on how to make middle school more relevant for children and de-emphasizing the FCAT, but it must be made a part of a sequence of events that students need to do in order to get from middle school to high school. Ms. Gallagher inquired what is planned to make the test relevant for children.

Mr. Notter, who referred to elementary schools, stated when looking at the FCAT score as a consequence counts only for 3rd grade and is a retention marker, and as with 4th and 5th grades, there is no leverage that indicates if a score is Level 1 or 2 in 5th grade you cannot go to middle school.

Ms. Gallagher stated there is a concern by middle school principals that students think that the FCAT is not needed.

Mrs. Kelly informed that she spoke to the entire group of middle school principals about this issue and while there were some reservations raised, the majority of them opined that students needed to know what the impact would be in terms of their performance on the FCAT because it impacts the courses they will be able to take in high school. If they score a Level 1 they will be placed into intensive math and reading and if they score at higher levels they will be placed in other areas or have more opportunities for electives. Mrs. Kelly further stated that based on their input and the input of Guidance Counselors, staff need to ascertain what students need to be told.

Mrs. Kelly noted that one of the requirements at the middle school level before going to high school is to have a personal electronic educational plan completed which is the four-year course of study and will illustrate to them the impact as they go through the process. Mrs. Kelly further stated because of the push on the academic requirements, the principals indicated staff needed to not let go of the FCAT, and make it a focus on how well students do in classes and how well they do on the FCAT as this will impact what the course of study in high school will be.

Mrs. Bartleman stated she was against one-stop testing for promotion, especially with the pressure being placed on children. She said it would be interesting to conduct a longitudinal study on children taking these types of tests and see what occurs when they grow up.

Mrs. Bartleman further stated it is the course information that is relevant which includes relevance and rigor in those courses. Remarking that the FCAT is just for the state and No Child Left Behind, Mrs. Bartleman stated that pass or failure is the indicator on whether the student is mastering the material.

Mrs. Bartleman noted for the record that she is against 1st and 2nd grade testing, and to ensure that staff is pulling together the 1st and 2nd grade teachers for the work group to develop the test. Mrs. Bartleman inquired why the end of book test is not given and the reading series, as well as the Stanford Diagnostic test for the promotion criteria.

Mrs. Kelly responded that the information will be provided to the Board.

Mrs. Bartleman referred to the curriculum portion such as Women's History, the Holocaust, ESE, and the need to develop this. She acknowledged a teacher from Cooper City High School, Donna Pressley, who worked with a student with cerebral palsy involving a book within the curriculum. She stated this needs to be a Best Practice, and included in B-Portal or lesson plans for other teachers to see. She requested this kind of information be incorporated.

Ms. Gallagher stated that unfortunately the FCAT is the reality, but with differentiated accountability principals and teachers will need to be judged by the performance of the FCAT scores. Ms. Gallagher stated the Board needs to be clear about the direction of this issue.

Mrs. Kraft requested that consideration be given to having more conversation on this at a workshop; addressing the entire Student Progression Plan, whether to keep it based on the FCAT or going to a lower percentage based on the FCAT. Mrs. Kraft stated the Board has discussed for several years moving toward end-of-course exams within our district.

Mrs. Bartleman stated the district has not raised the bar except for one year, for K-1 and K-2. She stated if there is to be a close in the achievement gap, the conversation needs to revolve around raising the bar for grades K-1 and K-2.

The following individual addressed this item:

Robert Mayersohn

DD. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF AUDITOR

EE. CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER

**EE-1. Additional Recommendations on Existing Contracts \$500,000 or Greater
(Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Hope, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried, to approve additional expenditure on previously approved term contract as shown below. The recommendations are requests for additional expenditures only and do not require any changes to the district budget.

A. APPROVAL FOR ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE ON THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT:

1. 29-135R – Mobile Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) Replacement Parts and Services (additional expenditure of \$750,000 requested; \$500,000 originally approved on 4/21/09)

It is recommended that the School Board authorize an additional expenditure of \$750,000 to the subject bid. The amount of recommended spending authority is available from funds already included in the District budget.

The recommendation will allow the Vehicle Maintenance Department to continue purchasing mobile equipment manufacturer (OEM) replacement parts and services as required through June 30, 2009, with the possibility of the contract being extended an additional year through June 30, 2010, and will provide for approximate total expenditure of \$1,250,000, for the award period.

Items submitted for renewal approval have been evaluated by user departments and schools. It has been determined satisfactory service is being provided and the contract prices are currently the best value based on current vendor prices, comparable prices from other agencies and/or the Consumer Price Index (CPI) data. Recommendations are being made for additional expenditures on previously approved term contracts. These recommendations are requests for additional expenditures only, and the amount is available from funds already included in the District's budget. These recommendations authorize additional expenditures until the expiration date of each contract. At that time the contract will be re-bid according to Board Policy, unless the contract is renewed per the terms and conditions of the bidding documents.

These recommendations for additional spending authority will be funded from available funds already included in various school/department/center budgets or as described in the Summary Explanation and Background. This does not increase the existing budget.

No discussion was held on this item.

FF. CURRICULUM/EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS & STUDENT SUPPORT

GG. HUMAN RESOURCES

HH. ATTORNEY

II. OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

JJ. FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

**JJ-1. Award of Contract and Authorization to Re-Bid – Construction Services
Emergency Projects IV – Bid No. 2009-02-FC (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Gottlieb, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to approve the recommendations to waive technicalities and award contracts as indicated in Exhibit 1, and authorization to re-bid. (This item was revised to replace Exhibit 1 on page 2 due to a scrivener's error). Ms. Gallagher was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Scope of Work: Provide open-end construction services and other related services, as needed, in response to declared emergencies such as, but not limited to, a hurricane impacting the district.

Staff recommends rebidding in an effort to further enhance the pool of available contracts by broadcasting the bid announcement to all pre-qualified contractors in addition to advertising in the local newspapers and broadcasting via DemandStar.

The subject bids are being accepted and open-end contracts recommended for award to pre-qualified Contractors in order to pre-position the procedures, contracts, and resources necessary to support the District's operations. These awards establish term contracts for Construction Services in accordance with the requirements of the bidding documents in an effort to establish a pool of qualified contractors to respond in the event of a declared emergency. The term of the contracts shall be three (3) years with a one (1) year renewal at Owner's option, and/or contract amounts as indicated in the recommendation in Exhibit 1.

In the event of a declared emergency, funding for these services would come from District Reserves and staff would seek reimbursements from FEMA, the District's excess insurance carriers or other appropriate agencies. This item does not require a collaboration form from the Capital Budget Department.

Mrs. Hope inquired what the revision pertains to.

Mr. Garretson responded that on page 2 of the Bid Tabulation it lists one company, Project Development Group, Inc., as having no bids when in fact the company did bid in certain limited areas.

KK. OFFICE OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Adjournment This meeting was adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

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