

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

October 7, 2008
Tuesday, 10:15 a.m.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The School Board of Broward County, Florida, met in regular session at 10:16 a.m., Tuesday, October 7, 2008, in the Board Room of the Kathleen C. Wright Administrative Center, 600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Present were Chair Robin Bartleman; Vice Chair Maureen S. Dinnen; Members, Beverly A. Gallagher, Jennifer Leonard Gottlieb, Phyllis C. Hope, Stephanie Arma Kraft, Esq., Dr. Robert D. Parks, Eleanor Sobel, Benjamin J. Williams, Superintendent James F. Notter, Edward J. Marko, Esq. and Robert P. Vignola, Esq.

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

Minutes for Approval Motion was made by Mrs. Hope, seconded by Ms. Gallagher and carried, to approve the official minutes for the following Board Meetings: Ms. Dinnen and Mrs. Kraft had not yet assumed their seats on the dais. (7-0 vote)

September 9, 2008 – Regular School Board Meeting
September 23, 2008 – Special – Student Expulsions

Close Agenda Upon motion by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, the Agenda was approved and declared closed. Ms. Dinnen and Mrs. Kraft had not yet assumed their seats on the dais. (7-0 vote)

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Bethune Elementary School Arts Innovation Award

Mrs. Gottlieb highlighted the special magnet program at Bethune Elementary School. Bethune's Arts magnet school students, grades Kindergarten through 2nd grade, take part in an exposure program rotating through dance, drama, band, keyboard, strings, and the two-dimensional and three-dimensional visual arts as students prepare to choose a major and minor area of focus in grade 3.

At the intermediate level, 3rd through 5th grades, students pursue intensive training at a more advanced level in these areas that they have chosen. In 5th grade, students are prepared for the opportunity to enroll in middle school performing arts magnet schools.

Mrs. Gottlieb stated that Bethune Elementary School of the Arts 3-in-1 program received the Arts Innovation Award 2008 from the International Network of Schools for the Advancement of Arts Education, Arts in Schools Network.

This award recognizes schools that are committed to taking innovative artistic risks and it is presented to schools that have broken the mold in using arts as a vehicle for teaching academics and/or making a positive difference in the lives of students and their communities.

Via video conference, Mrs. Gottlieb introduced Principal Mary Lou Ridge and Bethune Elementary students. Mrs. Ridge, who remarked that the school has won this competitive award in four out of five years, spoke of the program and introduced staff and students. Gratitude was also extended to the School Board for the recognition.

Mrs. Gottlieb, on behalf of the School Board, extended congratulations to the school and students for a job well done.

REPORTS

District Advisory Council – Jeanne Jusevic

Mrs. Jusevic reported that DAC will meet on October 15, 2008, 6:30 p.m., at the K.C. Wright Administration Center, with guest speaker Board Member Mrs. Sobel.

The schedule for the sub-committee meetings are: Strategic Golden Planning Committee, October 15, 2008, 5:00 p.m., Pre-Function room, K.C. Wright, and the Legislative Sub-committee will meet October 15, 2008, 5:30 p.m., Board Room, K.C. Wright.

Broward County Council PTAs/PTSAs

Mrs. Bartleman, who informed that PTA had their leadership training on Saturday, October 4, 2008, thanked Ms. Shirley Lewis for her dedication and hard work.

ESE Advisory Council

Mrs. Bartleman stated that ESE has not had a general meeting but met with the Superintendent.

Mr. Notter informed that he met with the Executive Committee last evening.

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

Mr. Schwartz reported that the student led Anti-Bullying Task Force met on October 6, 2008 at Plantation High School. Students from across the county met to discuss new ways to implement the anti-bullying policies at their schools.

The Southern Association of Student Councils will meet this weekend in New Orleans, whereby students will be learning new ideas and putting service projects in other counties and states.

The next BCASC will be held on Wednesday, October 15, 2008, at Cooper City High School beginning at 4:30 p.m.

Gifted Advisory Council – Kannan Nagarajan

Mr. Nagarajan reported that the council met on September 24, 2008 at Indian Ridge Middle School, with over 150 parents attending and close to 100 parents watching the meeting online. A special presentation was made by Johns Hopkins University's Center for Talented Youth (JHUCTY) from Baltimore, Maryland. This center is a recognized school specialized in gifted children.

Remarking that Gifted will be taking the meetings throughout the country, Mr. Nagarajan stated that the October meeting will be held at Nova Middle School on October 22, 2008. A spelling bee contest will be held for elementary and middle school students, beginning at 4:00 p.m. Registration will be held online, and Board Members are invited to attend.

A comprehensive written report was submitted to the Board.

Charter School Task Force – Ruth Lynch

Ms. Lynch reported that the Task Force held its first meeting, with guest speakers Mrs. Leslie Brown, Executive Director, Educational Programs, and Dr. Joanne Harrison, Deputy Superintendent, Educational Programs & Student Support.

Expressing gratitude to Ms. Luwando Wright-Hines, Director, Charter School Support, Ms. Lynch stated that Ms. Wright-Hines provided a report and updated the Task Force on various charter school related topics, the closure of the Smart School Institute of Technology and Commerce. Ms. Lynch thanked the School Board for working hard on this tenuous situation which resulted in an amicable resolution.

Ms. Lynch further reported that the Task Force is currently discussing the closing of the Downtown Academy of Technology and Arts Charter School.

Congratulation was extended for the granting of exclusive authority over charter schools in Broward County.

Ms. Lynch further reported that the Charter Schools will be attempting to ensure that all necessary information is provided regarding what the School Board expects of the Charter School Task Force. In October, the Task Force will have discussion regarding the differentiating accountability, the history of the Task Force, and history of charter schools in Broward County and Florida charter schools. The topic for the December meeting will entail the comparison of different contracts of the Florida school districts as it relates to charter schools in other surrounding counties.

Diversity and Cultural Outreach Program Advisory Committee – Roland Foulkes

Mr. Foulkes reported on the Superintendent's Citizens Concerned About Our Children (CCC) Settlement Agreement Status Report, 2007-2008; other Diversity Committee presentations and issues; Diversity Committee recognitions; Diversity Committee Appointments, November 2008 -2009, and five key issues.

Mr. Foulkes stated that the committee received a report through a PowerPoint presentation by Dr. Katherine Blasik, Research Development & Assessment and staff regarding the current Superintendent's update on the CCC. An October workshop was held to focus on each of the nine conditions of the CCC lawsuit settlement on the four areas of the Committee's response – observations, concerns, response, and recommendations. In November, the Committee will review a final draft of the formal written responses to the Superintendent's report in line with the Committee's legal mandate. In December, the Committee's past chair will present the final written response to the Superintendent's report.

Mr. Foulkes further reported that at the August 2008 meeting presentations were made by Mr. Joel Smith, Director, Alternative Education/Dropout Prevention and Mr. John Miracola, Director, Career, Technical and Adult/Community Education (CTACE). Mr. Smith presented the new Discipline Management System and Mr. Miracola discussed concerns about the CTACE program and the Adult Community Schools North.

Diversity Committee recognitions were made to Mr. Jean Darius, Coordinator, Diversity and Cultural Outreach Department; Mr. Michael Rajner, Committee Member; Dr. Earlean Smiley, Deputy Superintendent, Curriculum; and Dr. Joanne Harrison, Deputy Superintendent, Educational Programs/Student Support.

Mr. Foulkes requested the Board to complete all appointments to the Diversity Committee by November 30, 2008 and to appoint a diverse group of men and women, especially from communities that have never served. In addition, that appointees be willing to commit to attend Diversity Committee meetings for two years, to listen, learn and understand the work of the committee.

Gratitude was extended to Dr. Parks for appointing several stellar volunteer appointees, especially Mr. Jawhar "Joe" Badran, a Palestinian Muslim-American, a diverse and committed individual to present and future Broward students.

Mr. Foulkes further reported that the distribution of the DVD "Obsession" last month has created additional hostile experiences for Broward County Muslims. Several newspaper articles have reported on this issue, including a Sun-Sentinel article, May 3, 2007, regarding a death threat to Mr. Altaf Ali, State Executive Director, Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR).

Referring to other key issues, Mr. Foulkes discussed an update on Closing the Achievement Gap resolution passed and recommended by the Diversity Committee to the School Board in November 2007. Also, the Schott Foundation announcements about Black Male graduations nationally and in Broward County.

Mr. Foulkes requested that the School Board adopt an excused absence policy for committee members, which would entail the modification of Excused Absences, Policy 1.7, and the District Committee Bylaws.

Addressing the School Board as part of the Diversity Committee Report, Mr. Ali voiced his concerns about the Speakers' comments at today's School Board meeting, to spread smears and hate against the Muslim community. Mr. Ali presented documents from CAIR which informs the community about CAIR's long history of positive social and political activism. He stated the documents refute the charges that are consistently made against the Muslim community, and that CAIR works closely with the FBI.

Mr. Ali further stated that the Board will be provided information on CAIR's organization and mission.

A comprehensive written report was submitted to the Board by Mr. Foulkes.

BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Sobel informed her colleagues that she attended the Wannado City event which recognized all students in the district who have disabilities and who have achieved and excelled. Mrs. Sobel praised Wannado City for their commitment to a partnership with the School Board for ten years, to have this event and to recognize special needs children and adults.

Mrs. Sobel informed her colleagues that she will share with the Board Members a commemorative book that her Administrative Assistant Maureen Cory made for her and which she will keep on her desk in Tallahassee.

Mrs. Sobel stated that last evening there was a meeting in Hollywood regarding Lincoln Park. She thanked staff, Dr. Joel Herbst, South Area Superintendent, Mr. Michael Garretson, Deputy Superintendent, and Mrs. Gottlieb for attending and addressing the park issue.

Ms. Dinnen stated that the district is not faced with the immediate urgency of Amendments 5, 7 and 9 on the November ballot but it is still faced with the need to support public education. She stated that there are a group of individuals, inside the district and outside the district, such as Floridians for Quality Education, to inform the public about public education.

Ms. Dinnen further stated that the district can provide an informal method in informing the public and outside groups can provide a hands-on advocacy method in informing the public. She said that on November 4 volunteers will be at the polls to promote the support of public education.

Ms. Dinnen stated that the School Board's focus is on student achievement, and will emphasize and encourage the Legislature to make education a priority. She said that the School Board will ask other cities, counties and other organizations to sign a resolution of support for public education.

Ms. Dinnen informed her colleagues that she spoke to the Fort Lauderdale High School's Public Affairs class.

Ms. Dinnen attended the Children and Youth Cabinet in Pensacola, a group that is trying to get the "silo" effect. She said that budgets are also being reviewed; what is its effectiveness and what is its duplication.

Ms. Dinnen stated that Plantation High School has 70 enrollees in their IB program, have increased their school enrollment by 200 students and the program is beginning to work.

Ms. Dinnen further stated that the five largest education organizations are beginning to work together to build the base of support for education. They are planning an umbrella or a coalition committee, and asking groups such as 50 No More and representatives from Floridians for Quality Education to promote the support of public education.

Ms. Dinnen attended October Fest at Oakland Park this past Saturday.

Mr. Williams stated that the group formed to help improve the graduation rate is moving in the right direction and recently held its first meeting. They are proposing an assembly program for all 9th graders and will provide motivational speakers to speak on the benefits of graduating high school. Mr. James Epps spoke to 9th graders at Stranahan High School, which was very successful. Mr. Williams requested that all 9th graders be afforded the opportunity of motivational speakers.

Mr. Williams informed that Sunland Park Elementary School had its first open house of the school year, with a historical attendance by parents.

Mr. Williams stated that Dillard High School is one of two high schools in the United States to have more NFL players than any other high school, a total of six players.

Mr. Williams stated that during the last two years there have been more Broward high school students registered to vote than any high school in the state of Florida.

Mr. Williams stated that all ministers in Pompano will be involved in the Dinner for Dads at the Blanche Ely Innovation Zone.

Mr. Williams informed his colleagues that community leaders have met and made recommendations that portables not in use by the district be sent to Haiti. He stated that the President of Haiti met with a sub-group of the United Nations in Miami and brought forth the problems in his country. Mr. Williams said that he and Mr. Garretson met with the President and his delegation in a portable at Everglades High School, including Haitian community leaders. He stated they will work with the district to ascertain how portables can be shipped to Haiti. Mr. Williams requested a Workshop discussion regarding this project.

Dr. Parks informed his colleagues that Monarch High School has developed an online newsletter so that parents and students can access. He stated that one of the goals of the schools in his district is to have an updated website and an electronic newsletter.

Dr. Parks thanked Ms. Mandy DeBord, Executive Director, Horses for the Handicapped, during their recent event at Tradewinds Park.

Mrs. Bartleman thanked the Planning Committee of Just Do It, I Did It campaign at Wannado City for their hard work on this event. She stated this event recognizes students for their individual achievements.

Mrs. Bartleman stated that the upcoming ERP workshop will discuss payroll, overtime, and staff topics.

Mrs. Bartleman informed her colleagues that she and Mr. Notter attended the Broward Caribbean Junior Carnival Parade. She stated that the Junior Parade showcase children and preserving their culture, and children learn how to participate in the parade for the adult parade. Mrs. Bartleman stated she is interested in supporting this event, as there are many students from the Caribbean.

Mrs. Bartleman thanked Ms. Dinnen for organizing the Floridians for Quality Education, as it is important that the state of Florida fund education. Ms. Carol Bowan, Associated Builders and Contractors is interested in becoming involved in this group.

Mrs. Bartleman extended gratitude to Mrs. Kraft for her work in the Insurance Committee.

Ms. Gallagher thanked everyone involved with the Haitian Food and Clothing Drive, a very successful event. Items are in the process of being taken to Haiti by the United States Coast Guard. Broward County and Team Broward have stepped forward to reach citizens of other countries.

Ms. Gallagher informed her colleagues about the Dads Club in the Chapel Trail community, a group that began two years ago with several hundred fathers as members. Ms. Gallagher stated she has asked Mr. Joseph Balchunas, Principal, Chapel Trail Elementary, to write up a proposal about how the group was formed so that Best Practices can be shared throughout the county.

Ms. Gallagher thanked Ms. Dinnen for her efforts in funding awareness. Ms. Gallagher will attend a meeting of the Florida School Boards Association to discuss the Legislative Platform; she will share information with them about the Floridians for Quality Education. Ms. Gallagher stated that her committee will be meeting on the federal relations legislation regarding No Child Left Behind. She said she will suggest putting it into the Legislative Platform so that all of Florida is lobbying to change the rules about the SES providers.

Mrs. Kraft informed her colleagues that she attended Margate Middle School's Curriculum Carnival on September 25, 2008. The carnival identified and emphasized certain portions of the curriculum. Mrs. Kraft, who remarked that the school is decreasing enrollment due to students leaving under the No Child Left Behind transfer to go to other schools, stated that in order to combat this issue Principal Mr. Hudson Thomas and staff reinforced all the good things happening at the school, having interaction educational games, and reading and creative events. Fifth graders from the feeder schools attended and participated in this event.

Mrs. Kraft attended Safety Night at Riverside Elementary School. Coral Springs Police Department conducted seminars on car seat safety and internet safety.

Mrs. Kraft stated that she was unable to attend Sawgrass Springs Middle School's Environmental Community Open House on Saturday, October 4, 2008. Environmental organizations from Broward County were in attendance; booths were set up for the clubs, 600 plants and trees were given away, a family-student mulching event was held and a butterfly presentation and release was held.

Mrs. Kraft stated that she attended the Partners in Education meeting at Stoneman Douglas High School, one of the largest Partners in Education group of any school in Broward County. Mrs. Kraft stated that Assistant Principal Mr. John Congemi has created the Ethics Seminar at the school, and an educator from North Carolina attended the meeting so that he could duplicate the program in North Carolina.

Mrs. Kraft further stated that on Dancing With The Stars a J.P. Taravella High School alumnus, Jennifer Mimi Carsh, will be a guest performer dancing with the band Kool and the Gang.

Mrs. Hope informed her colleagues that she is trying to move District 6 into an AB district only. She stated that a lot of groups and partners have been placed into Piper High School so that grades can improve, and meetings were held with Village Elementary and staff to discuss their vision. Mrs. Hope that she met with principals to discuss her vision for District 6.

Mrs. Hope stated that a ground-breaking ceremony was held for Elementary School "A" on September 24, 2008. Mrs. Bartleman, Mrs. Kraft and Mr. Notter were in attendance, including former School Board Member Marty Rubinstein. Mrs. Hope extended gratitude to Mrs. Kraft and Mr. Rubinstein for having the vision to move forward with getting this school built in this area of the county. Mayors from several municipalities were also on hand to celebrate this event.

Mrs. Hope attended the Sunrise Village Multi-Purpose Center; their ground breaking will be held on November 20, 2008. Mrs. Hope expressed gratitude to the School Board and the City of Sunrise for collaborating on this facility, as it is being used by many people in the community.

Mrs. Hope attended the 17th Judicial Circuit Law Group meeting, and minutes from the meeting will be submitted to School Board Members. Ms. Patricia Vasquez, Children and Family Services, spoke along with other individuals regarding the juvenile system. Mrs. Hope said she is trying to work with the committee regarding missing children, making sure that local missing children are featured on television.

Mrs. Hope thanked Ms. Cynthia Novotny, Principal, and staff at Griffin Elementary School, for welcoming her to the SAC meeting.

Mrs. Hope attended State of Florida Treasurer, Ms. Alex Sink's financial discussion regarding the United States' current financial issues.

Mrs. Hope discussed the very successful Women and Minority Community Forum held on September 25, 2008, in the Board Room. She thanked Pirtle Construction, Padula and Wadsworth, Song and Associates and McKinley Financial Services for their participation and support. In addition, gratitude was extended to Board Member Mr. Williams, Mr. Notter, various staff and guest speakers. Mrs. Hope noted that Sodexo flew in their staff from Virginia to speak at the forum because they are 10th in the nation as a business with minority participation. Gratitude was also extended to Ms. Vinita Pullom, Administrative Assistant, and Mrs. Brenda Snipes, Supervisor of Elections. Mrs. Hope, who presented photographs of the event, stated that the district needs to continue to reach out and to offer assistance to minority businesses in Broward County.

Mrs. Hope showcased missing black female Samantha Brown, date of birth April 12, 1993, brown hair and eyes. Samantha was last seen at school on September 8, 2008 and may still be in the local area. Anyone with information, please contact your local police or the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Mrs. Hope informed her colleagues that she will present a Resolution to support breast cancer, as October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. She stated that Plantation Hospital will hold a breast cancer awareness program on Saturday, October 18, 2008, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Mrs. Hope thanked Mr. Williams and Ms. Gallagher for their leadership in the Haitian Food and Clothing Drive.

Mrs. Gottlieb thanked Mr. Steven Deery for inviting her to attend the district's Apprentice Programs meeting and to celebrate the graduation of Mr. Lamar Dudley, recent graduate of the program. Mrs. Gottlieb said that additional information on the Apprentice Programs will be submitted at future Board meetings.

Mrs. Gottlieb participated in the 2008 United States Conference on AIDS panel discussion about age appropriate and comprehensive sex education in the state of Florida, along with Senator Jeremy Ring and Representative Evan Jenne. Gratitude was extended to Ms. Suzanne Edgar, Family Life Human Sexuality Coordinator, who was a member of the panel.

Mrs. Gottlieb stated she was invited to the panel discussion by Mr. Michael Rajner, her appointee to the Diversity Committee. Michael will be receiving a Volunteer of the Year Award, 2008 Disability Awareness, presented by the Broward County Advisory Board, for individuals with disabilities. Congratulations was extended to Michael for receiving this award and for serving the district on the Diversity Committee.

Mrs. Gottlieb thanked Dr. Garretson and Dr. Herbst for their participation at the Hollywood meeting regarding the park and Elementary School "C" issues. Gratitude was extended to Hollywood Mayor Peter Bober, Commissioner Bean Fuhr, Commissioner Heidi O'Sheehan and Commissioner Dick Blattner for their participation in the meeting.

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Mr. Notter informed the Board that a state workshop will be held with three district staff members in attendance. The Superintendent stated that he will meet with the Chair to schedule a Board workshop regarding differentiated accountability, the new state plan that the Commissioner of Education set up. The state of Florida is one of six states to be chosen as a pilot state over the next three or four years, to better align No Child Left Behind (NCLB) and the district's A+ Plan. Mr. Notter further stated there are significant changes from a directive standpoint, the state giving the local district very little discretion in terms of decision making.

Mr. Notter stated that one of the goals is to increase the district's interaction with the business community and the community at large. The Broward Workshop and the Broward Alliance are currently in the community doing some surveying and research regarding developing their strategic plan and what are some of the issues. The Superintendent stated that public education is a very high concern by the business community and the community at large, particularly funding of education and parent involvement.

Speakers

Linda Green
Madelyn Zelman
Mrs. George Roumain
Joe Kaufman
Rabbi Andrew Jacobs
Joe Badran

Mrs. Bartleman requested that staff meet with speaker Mr. Roumain regarding transferring his son to a different school.

CONSENT AGENDA Following identification of those items Board Members and members of the public indicated they would like considered separately, motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to approve the Consent Agenda for the remaining items. Mrs. Kraft had not yet assumed her seat on the dais. (8-0 vote)

CONSENT ITEMS

A. RESOLUTIONS

- A-1. Resolution in Support of American Education Week – November 16-22, 2008 (Adopted)

Motion was made by Ms. Dinnen, seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb and carried, to adopt Resolution #09-33, in support of American Education Week – November 16-22, 2008. Mrs. Kraft was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Ms. Dinnen informed her colleagues that American Education Week was first observed in 1921 and is sponsored by prestigious national groups, The National Congress of Parents and Teachers, the National Education Association, National School Board Association, the American Legion and the U.S. Department of Education.

Reading the resolution into the record, Ms. Dinnen emphasized that the strength of this country resides in the free and equal education concept which is an American tradition. Ms. Dinnen requested that a copy of the resolution be sent to the Florida Legislature.

- A-2. Resolution in Support of National Educational Support Personnel Day – November 15, 2008 (Adopted)

Motion was made by Ms. Dinnen, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to adopt Resolution #09-34, in support of National Educational Support Personnel Day, November 15, 2008. Mrs. Kraft was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Reading the resolution into the record, Ms. Dinnen stated that November 15, 2008, recognizes education support personnel or school related personnel who are concerned about the well being of students, the upkeep and appearance of buildings and grounds, health and safety of the students, food and nutrition programs, the delivery of goods and services, safe and efficient transportation services and overall atmosphere of the education setting.

Mrs. Bartleman, who congratulated support staff, stated that it takes a team to make sure a child is successful, from the bus driver, cafeteria staff, custodians, teachers and administrative staff.

- A-3. Resolution in Support of Disability Mentoring Day – October 15, 2008 (Adopted)

Motion was made by Ms. Dinnen, seconded by Mrs. Kraft and carried, to adopt Resolution #09-35, in support of Disability Mentoring Day – October 15, 2008. Mrs. Kraft was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Mrs. Bartleman introduced Mrs. Karen Dickerhoof, former School Board Member, and currently at the Center for Independent Living.

Following the reading of the resolution into the record by Ms. Dickerhoof, Mrs. Bartleman stated that budget cuts are hurting the programs for individuals with disabilities. She informed that a marketing video has been prepared by the School Board so that businesses can view the success of hiring individuals with disabilities.

Mrs. Dickerhoof thanked the School Board for their leadership and support in this endeavor. She stated that Disability Mentoring Day is expanding beyond what was planned for last year, with 85 students and businesses participating on this day. Discussing the Broward High School Hi-Tech program, Ms. Dickerhoof stated that the program is coordinated by the Center for Independent Living of Broward and has been selected the Florida High School Hi-Tech program of the year. This year, eight schools are participating in the program and 130 students have applied and been accepted, with a capacity of 160 students. The goal of the program is to include initiatives of recruitment efforts and to employ individuals with disabilities.

Mrs. Dickerhoof discussed the Disability Advisory Board and their activities and goals. She suggested that the School Board and Superintendent consider a strong sponsorship role with the business leadership network which encourages employers throughout the county to participate in a leadership way to be employers of individuals with disabilities.

Mrs. Sobel commended Mrs. Dickerhoof for her efforts on behalf of the children of Broward County and the state of Florida.

Concurring, Mrs. Hope stated that the Board wants to move forward in working with other businesses to hire disabled individuals so that they can become productive adults.

Mr. Williams thanked Mrs. Dickerhoof for her commitment and leadership over the years.

A-4. Resolution in Support of National Red Ribbon Week – October 23-31, 2008
(Adopted)

Adopted Resolution #09-36, in support of National Red Ribbon Week – October 23-31, 2008.

B. BOARD MEMBERS

D. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF AUDITOR

D-1. Audit Reports for Internal Funds at 19 Schools in the North Area
(Received)

Received Audit Reports for Internal Funds at 19 Schools in the North Area.

Audited the Internal Funds of the schools listed below for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007 and 2008, as authorized by the State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.087(2), Florida Administrative Code and School Board Policy 1002.1.

<u>Schools</u>	<u>Fiscal Years</u>
*Bright Horizons School	2007
*Coral Springs Elementary School	2007
*Cresthaven Elementary School	2007
*Cypress Elementary School	2007
*Forest Glen Middle School	2007
*Forest Hills Elementary School	2007
*Margate Middle School	2007 and 2008
*Morrow Elementary School	2007
*Palmview Elementary School	2007
*Park Ridge Elementary School	2007
*Park Trails Elementary School	2007
*Parkside Elementary School	2007
*Pompano Beach Elementary School	2007
*Quiet Waters Elementary School	2007
*Riverglades Elementary School	2007
*Riverside Elementary School	2007
*Sanders Park Elementary School	2007
*Tamarac Elementary School	2007
*Tedder Elementary School	2007

*Denotes Schools With No Audit Exceptions

The Audit Committee reviewed and approved this report for transmittal to the School Board during the Committee's September 11, 2008 meeting.

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

D-2. Audit Reports for Internal Funds at 6 Schools in the North Central Area and 1 School in the District (Received)

Received Audit Reports for Internal Funds at 6 Schools in the North Central Area and 1 School in the district.

Audited the Internal Funds of the schools listed below for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007 and 2008, as authorized by the State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.087(2), Florida Administrative Code and School Board Policy 1002.1.

<u>Schools</u>	<u>Fiscal Years</u>
*Broward Virtual Education (District)	2007 and 2008
McFatter Technical Center	2007
*Northeast High School	2007
Nova Eisenhower Elementary School	2007
*Nova High School	2007
*Westpine Elementary School	2007
*Wingate Oaks Center	2007

*Denotes Schools With No Audit Exceptions

The Audit Committee reviewed and approved this report for transmittal to the School Board during the Committee's September 11, 2008 meeting.

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

D-3. Audit Reports for Internal Funds at 19 Schools in the South Area (Received)

Received Audit Reports for Internal Funds at 19 Schools in the South Area.

Audited the Internal Funds of the schools listed below for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2006, 2007 and 2008, as authorized by the State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.087(2), Florida Administrative Code and School Policy 1002.1.

<u>Schools</u>	<u>Fiscal Years</u>
*Boulevard Heights Elementary School	2007
*Chapel Trail Elementary School	2007
*Coconut Palm Elementary School	2007
*Colbert Elementary School	2007
*Collins Elementary School	2007

<u>Schools</u>	<u>Fiscal Years</u>
*Cooper City Elementary School	2007
*Dania Elementary School	2007
*Everglades High School	2006 and 2007
*Fairway Elementary School	2007
*Hawkes Bluff Elementary School	2007
*New Renaissance Middle School	2007
*Pembroke Lakes Elementary School	2007
*Sheridan Hills Elementary School	2007
*Sheridan Park Elementary School	2007
*Silver Palms Elementary School	2007
*Silver Shores Elementary School	2007
*Stirling Elementary School	2007
*Sunset Lakes Elementary School	2007
*Watkins Elementary School	2007 and 2008

*Denotes Schools With No Audit Exceptions

The Audit Committee reviewed and approved this report for transmittal to the School Board during the Committee's September 11, 2008 meeting.

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

D-4. Audit Reports for Internal Funds at 16 Schools in the South Central Area
(Received)

Received Audit Reports for Internal Funds at 16 Schools in the South Central Area.

Audited the Internal Funds of the schools listed below for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007 and 2008 as authorized by the State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.087(2), Florida Administrative Code and School Board Policy 1002.1.

<u>Schools</u>	<u>Fiscal Years</u>
*Arthur Ashe Middle School	2007
*Bennett Elementary School	2007
*Country Isles Elementary School	2007
*Dillard Elementary School	2007
*Flamingo Elementary School	2007
*Fort Lauderdale High School	2007
*Foster, Stephen Elementary School	2007
*Harbordale Elementary School	2007
*Indian Ridge Middle School	2007

<u>Schools</u>	<u>Fiscal Years</u>
*King, Martin Luther Elementary School	2007
*Marshall, Thurgood Elementary School	2007
New River Middle School	2007
*North Fork Elementary School	2007
*Plantation Park Elementary School	2007
*Westwood Heights Elementary School	2007
*Young, Virginia S. Elementary School	2007 and 2008

*Denotes Schools With No Audit Exceptions

The Audit Committee reviewed and approved this report for transmittal to the School Board during the Committee's September 11, 2008 meeting.

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

D-5. Internal Property Audit Report – Property and Inventory Audits of Selected Locations 2007-2008 (Received)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to receive Internal Property Audit Report – Property and Inventory Audits of Selected Locations 2007-2008.

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

The Audit report represents 30 locations in which a total of 12 locations had no exceptions and 18 locations had exceptions.

The Audit Committee reviewed and approved this report for transmittal to the School Board during the Committee's September 11, 2008 meeting.

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

Responding to Ms. Gallagher's concerns over the loss of inventory, Mr. Patrick Reilly, Chief Auditor stated that the key is management involvement at each of the locations that have inventory. He stated that staff is going to sites where there have been repeat issues, working with Area Directors, and making sure that every location is conducting inventory for review. Mr. Reilly stated that a PowerPoint presentation can be accessed in the Audit Department so that new principals and administrators become familiar with the management of inventory.

Ms. Gallagher stated that the Board is being accountable and employees are held accountable. Ms. Gallagher said she would like to discuss these issues at a workshop: the multiple loss of inventory occurrences at school sites; where the district can save money to ensure that “trickle down” is occurring; and auditing departments that have never been audited/or have not been audited in a long time. She stated these are dollars that could be used somewhere else in the district.

Referring to page 131 regarding repeat exceptions, Mrs. Kraft inquired whether Mr. Reilly is satisfied with this portion of the audit findings and the report, and what recommendations can be made with repeat audit findings.

Mr. Reilly responded that there are now two individuals who will download the inventory which is the first step to improving the situation. The transfers of equipment was difficult to locate because they were not immediately taken care of during the transfer, and as time moves on it is harder to ascertain what happens to the items.

Referring to page 140, Mr. Reilly responded that the audit was conducted in 2004 and they were requesting allowing the designee to sign on a property pass. At the time the required signature was the principal or the director, and they have now indicated they are going to assign two people to make sure there is compliance with the property pass. Mr. Reilly said he is hopeful there will be improvement, as there were three repeat issues from the 2004 audit to the 2008 audit.

Mr. Reilly noted that there were a lot more audits of schools during the past two years and there are now more department audits than in the past.

Mrs. Kraft stated she would like to discuss Phase II regarding the BRITE project and also the Audit Committee’s concerns at a future workshop. She requested that this include the draft minutes of the September 11, 2008 Audit Committee meeting.

Referring to the cell phone issue, Mrs. Kraft stated that in the past there were charges per itemized call and now it is a flat rate. She inquired how the district can determine if a person is reimbursing the correct amount. Remarking that the district needs to reflect a more accurate system, Mrs. Kraft requested that this issue be reviewed.

Mrs. Kraft requested a clarification regarding what is added to the scope of work; if it exceeds \$250,000 it should be bid out. She requested that this be added into the manual.

Mrs. Bartleman, who remarked that there were more schools with exceptions than without exceptions, stated that the procedures in the manual are not being followed and that staff needs to follow-up on where the breakdown is.

Ms. Dinnen noted that out of 61 schools there were only three exceptions, which shows the diligent work of Mr. Reilly, the Audit Department and the schools.

E. CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER

E-1. Authorization to Release Request for Proposals (RFP) 26-060N
(Approved as amended)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Sobel and carried, to authorize the release of the following RFP: This motion was superseded by a Motion to Amend (page 19).

<u>RFP#</u>	<u>Title – Department</u>
29-060N	Parent Newsletter Program Services – Communications & Media Relations

The RFP listed above seeks proposals from qualified firms for one of the following procurement criteria: 1) technology; 2) financial services; 3) health and safety; or 4) other procurements anticipated to be in excess of \$500,000. A copy of the RFP is listed for the School Board's consideration. The following is a brief synopsis of the intent and purpose of the RFPs:

29-060N – Parent Newsletter Program Services

The intent of this RFP is to request proposals from qualified firms to develop, print, distribute and mail the Parent Newsletter to households whose students attend Broward County Public Schools. The newsletter will contain public service announcements and other general information, which may be useful or helpful to parents. The newsletter will include corporate-sponsored branded messages and direct response advertising from various businesses and manufacturers that have contracted with the awarded vendor to participate in the program. The awarded vendor will share a portion of the revenues generated by the sale of advertising associated with the program to SBBC.

There is no financial impact to the district at this time.

Mrs. Kraft reminded her colleagues that there were questions regarding what will be included in the Parent Newsletter in terms of content of the newsletter and content of the ads.

Mrs. Kraft inquired whether the Advertising Committee would be the appropriate venue to have input as to which advertisers are chosen or whether it is done by the vendor the district uses.

Mr. Keith Bromery, Director, Community Relations, responded that the Communications Department interfaces with the Advertising Committee regarding the advertising that the contractor solicits and acquires. Mr. Bromery stated that via the contract, the district has total review authority and total reject authority over the ads as they come in. He noted that one ad was recently denied due to the improper wording.

Mr. Bromery further stated that the Community Relations department is the initial screen for the ads, and when the Advertising Committee convenes the intended newsletter ads are presented to them prior to going out.

Mrs. Kraft requested to have a procedure in place to ensure the Advertising Committee is involved initially in approving the ads that will be part of the Parent Newsletter.

Ms. Dinnen inquired whether different vendors will develop, print, distribute mail or whether one vendor will do all functions.

Mr. Robert Waremburg, Director, Supply Management & Logistics, responded that the district is looking for one company to provide all functions.

Ms. Dinnen suggested that staff specify vendors that have the support of a local union.

Motion to Amend (Carried)

Motion was made by Ms. Dinnen, seconded by Mrs. Kraft and carried, to amend to identify any shops that have the support of a local union printer.

A vote was taken on the Motion to Amend.

Mrs. Bartleman stated it is important to list the names of all Board Members and their districts, along with their office phone numbers and/or e-mail addresses, on the Parent Newsletter.

E-2. Vending Machine Agreement(s) (Approved)

Motion was made by Ms. Dinnen, seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb and carried, to approve the following Vending Machine Agreement(s) for the school(s) listed.

On August 1, 2006, The School Board of Broward County, Florida, approved a pool of vending machine companies through Bid 27-002B Furnish, Install, Stock and Maintain Campus Vending Machines with whom agreements could be negotiated for services at individual schools and centers. The agreement(s) includes any income fees/commission rates that were obtained through the bid proposals or negotiated pursuant to Section 19 of the Bid's general specifications.

Agreement(s) for the following school(s): Silver Lake Middle School

The agreement(s) have been approved as to form and legal content by the School Board Attorney.

There is no financial impact to the district. Agreements provide revenue to schools to support programs and activities for students and staff.

Mrs. Hope stated that her concerns have been addressed by staff.

Mrs. Kraft requested staff to perform a revenue analysis of the schools that the district replaced with the healthy snacks, and have a comparison report between the healthy and unhealthy snack revenues. Mrs. Kraft said she would like to have a follow-up workshop to discuss if this issue will result in a decreased revenue to our schools.

Dr. Parks requested that staff provide information on how the Vending Machine Agreements and the use of the healthy snacks align with the Strategic Plan.

E-3. Authorization to Release RFI 29-086V – Property Insurance Services
(Approved)

Approved to authorize the release of the following RFI: 29-086V

<u>RFP#</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Department</u>
29-086V	Property Insurance Services	Risk Management

The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC), desires to gather information on Property Insurance Services from interested and qualified organizations. This RFI is intended to solicit information and conceptual programs providing either property insurance or alternatives to insurance.

SBBC would like to evaluate the RFIs submitted to evaluate the ability of finding a strategic partner in the process of developing and administering an innovative program which provides solutions to meet the following goals:

Provide quality results at the most reasonable costs; position SBBC to not be subject to future variations of the property insurance market; maximize financial recoveries in the event of loss; and maximize eligibility for, and access to, FEMA public assistance disaster funds.

There is no financial impact to the district at this time.

E-4. Authorization to Release Request for Proposals (RFP) 29-015N
(Approved)

Approved to authorize the release of the following RFP: 29-015N

<u>RFP#</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Department</u>
29-015N	Telecommunications, Internal Connections and Internet	ETS

The RFP listed above seeks proposals, from qualified firms, for one of the following procurement criteria: 1) technology; 2) financial services; 3) health and safety; or 4) other procurements anticipated to be in excess of \$500,000. A copy of the RFP is listed for the School Board's consideration. The following is a brief synopsis of the intent and purpose of the RFP:

29-015N – Telecommunications, Internal Connections and Internet

The intent of this RFP is to request proposals from qualified firms in order to procure a broad range of telecommunication goods and services through seven different types of commodity groups. These groups are specialized into separate categories: Network Equipment and Maintenance (LANs and WLANs), Communications (Structured) Cabling, Wired Voice Services, Voice Equipment, Systems Maintenance and Technician Services, Digital Transmission Service (WAN), Internet Services and Cellular Voice and Data Services. One of the key goals in the development of the RFP is to maximize the E-Rate eligibility of pertinent goods and services that will be procured within the scope of the RFP.

By combining these commodity groups into one purchasing vehicle, greatly reduces the human resources needed to write, issue and award separate bids, streamlines the procurement processes, and improves the manageability of the contract and annual E-Rate filings. For further information about this RFP, an Executive Summary is attached to this Agenda Request Form.

Copies of the full RFP are available at the public stand in the lobby of the K.C. Wright Building, and at the Board Members' Office on the 14th Floor of the K.C. Wright Building.

There is no financial impact to the district at this time.

F. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION STUDENT SUPPORT

- F-1. Continuation Agreement between the National Academy Foundation (NAF) and The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC)
(Approved)

Approved the proposed Continuation Agreement with the National Academy Foundation.

On April 29, 2008, the School Board approved the new membership agreement with NAF to support the District's Academy Of Finance, Academy Of Information Technology, and Academy Of Travel and Tourism Programs. SBBC has maintained an agreement with NAF since 1985.

The District currently has Academies Of Finance (AOF) at Boyd Anderson, Cooper City, Coral Glades, Cypress Bay, Deerfield Beach, Flanagan, McArthur, Northeast, Plantation, Piper, Stoneman Douglas, Taravella and Western High Schools; Academies Of Hospitality and Tourism (AOHT) at Boyd Anderson, Miramar, Plantation and South Broward High Schools; and Academies Of Information Technology (AOIT) at Atlantic Technical Center, Blanche Ely, Boyd Anderson, Coral Glades, Cypress Bay, Flanagan, Monarch and Northeast High Schools.

The NAF annual membership fee of \$800 per Academy, per school, will be paid through the Carl Perkins Grant. The services provided as a part of the membership fee include access to the online curriculum, funding for district and school staff to attend the annual Summer Institute for Staff Development, technical assistance and support to schools by the NAF staff assigned to Broward County, and scholarship opportunities for students.

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

There is a financial impact of \$20,000 to the district. The source of the funds is the Carl Perkins Grant. There is no additional financial impact to the district.

- F-2. New Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Transportation
(Approved)

Approved a new agreement with the State of Florida Department of Transportation.

The agreement from the State of Florida Department of Transportation will award \$90,000 to the district for the purposes of implementing new and expanded bicycle safety efforts, including training more teachers to teach the Florida Traffic and Bicycle Safety Education Program, creating a training video for the recumbent bicycle program, and working with Commit 2B Fit to create a fitness journal for students and parents, focused on bicycling and walking.

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

This agreement will be executed after School Board approval.

The positive financial impact is \$90,000 from the State of Florida Department of Transportation. There is no additional financial impact to the school district.

F-3. Grant Applications (Approved)

Approved the submission of grant applications to:

- A. 21st Century Community Learning Centers
- B. Captain Planet Foundation Grant Program
- C. Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation
- D. Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation Melody Program
- E. Project AWARE Foundation Grant Program

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 \$1,789,800 from various sources. There is no additional financial impact to the school district.

F-4. Amendment No. One to Agreement No. 2007-2008-CR-2332-RATE for Program Year 2008-2009 between WorkForce One Employment Solutions and The School Board of Broward County, Florida
(Approved)

Approved Amendment No. One to Agreement No. 2007-2008—CR-2332-RATE for Program Year 2008-2009.

The year-round in-school and out-of-school Responsibility, Awareness, Training, Employment, and Empowerment (RATE) Youth Program includes occupational training, academic instruction integrated with job-specific training, related support services, job placement assistance, and intensive case management.

In-school youth will be enrolled as seniors at high schools and alternative centers district wide and out-of-school youth will be enrolled at a technical center in a workforce education program that meets his or her occupational goals, skills and abilities.

Program participants must have or be working towards obtaining a high school diploma or General Education Development. All students will be provided the occupational and soft skills such as leadership, communication, problem solving, teamwork, critical thinking, organizational, interpersonal and social skills needed to successfully secure a high wage/high skill job. The program will serve 182 youth, 18-21 years of age.

The various proposals submitted to WorkForce One serve economically disadvantaged students, but the student selection criteria differ from program to program.

The School District has operated a similar program since the 2000-2001 school year. WorkForce One evaluates the program. All performance measures continuously met or exceeded the evaluation benchmarks. The performance measures include: the enrollment of the required number of students who meet the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) eligibility criteria, student attainment of WIA Youth Goals, students completing a minimum of five months of occupational and skills training, students receiving a certificate of completion in the occupational training program, students increasing basic skills levels by a minimum of one grade, students placed into a training related job and the number of students who remain employed for a minimum of six months.

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

The positive financial impact is \$320,578. The source of funds is WorkForce One Employment Solutions. There is no additional financial impact to the district.

- F-5. Amendment No. One to Agreement No. 2007-2008-CR-2333-MPACT for Program Year 2008-2009 between WorkForce One Employment Solutions and The School Board of Broward County, Florida
(Approved)

Approved Amendment No. One to Agreement No. 2007-2008-CR-2333-MPACT for program year 2008-2009.

The year-round Making Positive Achievements with Career Training (MPACT) program provides youth with an employability skills/leadership training program that prepares students for paid, part-time public/private sector internships aligned with the students' career interest and instructional program. Intensive case management, job coaching, and other supportive services are delivered to each student.

This program will serve 202 students who attend Blanche Ely, Boyd Anderson, Coconut Creek, Deerfield Beach, Dillard, Fort Lauderdale, Hallandale, Hollywood Hills, McArthur, Miramar, Plantation and Stranahan High Schools and Whiddon Rogers Alternative. Students must meet Workforce Investment Act (WIA) eligibility requirements and must be academically and economically disadvantaged or be in the state Foster Care System. Each student will be engaged in an intensive training program and will then transition into an internship for a maximum of 150 hours. WorkForce One will pay students at the prevailing minimum wage. Transportation assistance is provided through bus passes or gas cards.

The various WorkForce One funded programs all serve economically disadvantaged students, but the student selection criteria differ from program to program. The MPACT program serves eligible eleventh and twelfth grade students. The School District has operated programs with similar components since the 1997-98 school year. WorkForce One evaluates the program. All performance measures continuously met or exceeded the evaluation benchmarks.

Performance measures include: enrollment of the required number of students who meet the WIA eligibility criteria, student participation in the internship component, attainment of a high school diploma and a transition to a positive postsecondary activity such as employment, the military, or advanced training.

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

The positive financial impact is \$389,018. The source of funds is WorkForce One Employment Solutions. There is no additional financial impact to the district.

- F-6. Service Delivery Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, (SBBC) and Hispanic Unity of Florida, Inc. (HUF)
(Approved)

Approved the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) Service Delivery Agreement between the SBBC and the HUF.

The SBBC and HUF partnered to apply for a new 21st CCLC grant for New River and Olsen Middle Schools. The grant funds will be used to provide academic enrichment and remediation services to students at New River and Olsen Middle Schools who perform at or below the 40th percentile on the FCAT. The HUF administered 21st CCLC program will serve 100 New River Middle School and 85 Olsen Middle School students after school and during the summer at their respective schools.

The after-school program will operate October 6, 2008 – June 3, 2009 (Monday – Thursday at New River Middle School and Monday – Friday at Olsen Middle School); the summer program will run from June 8, 2009 – July 30, 2009 at New River Middle School and June 15, 2009 – July 9, 2009 at Olsen Middle School (Monday – Thursday at both schools). The principals of both schools will select their site based 21st CCLC facilitators and will recommend the teachers.

A portion of the 21st CCLC funds allocated to both schools will be used to hire an outside evaluator to conduct an ongoing formative evaluation. This information will be used by the school and the HUF to ensure the program's compliance with its objectives.

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

The positive financial impact to the district is \$271,942. The source of the funds is the 21st CCLC grant. There is no additional financial impact to the district.

F-7. Service Delivery Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, (SBBC) and The Young Men's Christian Associations of Broward County, Florida (YMCA) (Approved)

Approved the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) Service Delivery Agreement between the SBBC and the YMCA.

The SBBC and the YMCA partnered to apply for a new 21st CCLC grant for Crystal Lake Middle School.

The grant funds will be used to provide academic enrichment and remediation services to students at Crystal Lake Middle School who perform at or below the 40th percentile on the FCAT. The YMCA administered 21st CCLC program will serve 100 students in an after school program and 50 students during the summer of 2009. The after school program will operate October 6, 2008 – June 3, 2009 (Monday – Friday); the summer program will run from June 8, 2009 – August 7, 2009 (Monday – Thursday). The principal of Crystal Lake Middle School will select the site based 21st CCLC facilitator, and will recommend the teachers.

A portion of the 21st CCLC funds allocated to Crystal Lake Middle School will be used to hire an outside evaluator to conduct an ongoing formative evaluation. This information will be used by the school and the YMCA to ensure the program's compliance with its objectives.

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

The positive financial impact to the district is \$136,197. The source of the funds is the 21st CCLC grant. There is no additional financial impact to the district.

F-8. Service Delivery Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, (SBBC) and After School Programs, Inc. (ASP)
(Approved)

Approved the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) Service Delivery Agreement between the SBBC and ASP.

The SBBC and ASP partnered to apply for a new 21st CCLC grant for Oriole Elementary School. The grant funds will be used to provide academic enrichment and remediation services to students at Oriole Elementary School who perform at or below the 40th percentile on the FCAT. The ASP administered 21st CCLC program will serve 100 students in an after school program and 50 students during the summer of 2009. The after school program will operate October 6, 2008 – June 3, 2009 (Monday – Thursday); the summer program will run from June 8, 2009 – August 7, 2009 (Monday – Thursday). The principal of Oriole Elementary School will select the site based 21st CCLC facilitator and will recommend the teachers.

A portion of the 21st CCLC funds allocated to Oriole Elementary School will be used to hire an outside evaluator to conduct an ongoing formative evaluation. This information will be used by the school and the ASP to ensure the program's compliance with its objectives.

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

The positive financial impact to the district is \$136,197. The source of the funds is the 21st CCLC grant. There is no additional financial impact to the district.

G. HUMAN RESOURCES

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

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

The Personnel Recommendations for Instructional Employees include the following items:

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

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

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

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 School Year (Approved)

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

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

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

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

Newly-appointed district personnel were recognized and congratulated by School Board Members.

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 #6 (Approved)

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

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

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

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

Individuals listed meet the requirements for the supplemental positions. The total number of Supplements recommended in this item is 1099.

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

G-6. Approval of Teachers Out-of-Field (Approved)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Ms. Dinnen and carried, to approve the list of teachers to teach out-of-field in the Broward County Public Schools.

This recommendation is made with the understanding that the individuals indicated will comply with all regulations of the State Board of Education and The School Board of Broward County, Florida.

A total of 820 teachers were identified as out-of-field; however, 487 of them were previously Board-approved out-of-field and are in the process of completing mandated training requirements. The remaining 333 teachers are being placed out-of-field for the first time in their respective subject areas.

SBER 6A-1.0503 Definition of Qualified Instructional Personnel, requires out-of-field teachers to take at least six (6) semester hours towards certification or take and pass the appropriate subject area exam. Teachers out-of-field due to the English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)/Multicultural Education Training Advocacy (META) Agreement are required to follow the established timeline.

There is no additional financial impact to the school district. Funding is allocated in the budget.

Informing that she has spoken to staff on this issue, Ms. Dinnen stated that the teachers out-of-field numbers are small compared to the number of teachers. She stated that teachers must take six semester hours of course work in the out-of-field subject or the subject area exam for the year in which they are out of field. Ms. Dinnen further stated some schools have more out of field teachers than other schools primarily due to reading, insufficient number of credentialed reading candidates, and the ESOL requirements. In addition, there are more new teachers at some locations than others.

Mr. Notter stated through the Consortium the district takes college-exiting students into Broward classrooms as teachers and students will have reading endorsements; science teachers will have the knowledge and ability in terms of integrating reading through the science program. The Superintendent thanked Dr. Parks and the Consortium for taking the lead from a strategy standpoint.

Dr. Parks stated that this is one of the most successful partnerships that the district has formed.

G-7. 2008-2009 Clerical Salary Schedule for Confidential Office Personnel Association (COPA) (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Kraft, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to adopt the 2008-2009 Clerical Salary Schedule for the Meet and Confer group, Confidential Office Personnel Association (COPA). This schedule will replace the current interim 2008-2009 salary schedule and will be retroactive to the beginning of the employees' assigned 2008-2009 calendar.

The Clerical Salary Schedule provides an average of 3.25% increase to the salary schedule for 2008-2009, effective July 1, 2008.

The salary adjustment of 3.25% will generate an increased payroll cost of approximately \$490,792 including fringe benefits for 2008-2009. The increase in funds required for this Agreement is in reserve in the general fund established for salary increases.

This agenda item was discussed concurrently with Agenda Items G-8, GG-1 and GG-2.

Mrs. Sobel voiced her concern that there is still one outstanding contract that has not been settled. She stated that the district has not come up with a final product for teachers, and they have not been involved in the process. Mrs. Sobel stated that the Board should not move forward until everyone is in agreement with the teachers.

Mrs. Bartleman reminded her colleagues that last year everyone's contract was settled except for the Police Benevolent Association (PBA).

Mrs. Kraft stated that the Broward Teachers Union has already agreed to a 3.25% increase and what is in dispute is other portions of the contract. She said the BTU initiated the 3.25% which was the basis for the "Me Too" and at this point the district is able to go to the other unions and work with the percentages. Mrs. Kraft further stated it would be detrimental to penalize the other bargaining units who are waiting to get their increase when the amount of the increase has already been resolved by the BTU.

Mrs. Sobel stated that the negotiations work very well for everyone except for the teachers. She said the process should be different.

Mr. Notter stated that teachers received a 1.82 raise in July, with the rest of the units not having received any increase since the beginning of the year. Remarking that it would be retroactive to July 1, 2008, Mr. Notter stated this is another part of the collective bargaining of the district. The Superintendent stated it is not "set in stone" that the BTU settle first, and it will do everything possible to try to settle their contract.

Dr. Parks stated that these are very difficult economic times and employees want their money. He stated that BTU is still negotiating issues other than the percentage increase.

Ms. Dinnen stated that the Meet and Confer and the BTU are separate organizations and one union should not impose on another unit. She said she values the tradition of union independence.

Mrs. Sobel inquired why the Superintendent did not bring forward the BTU settlement only for the 3.25% portion.

Mr. Notter responded that a Closed Door discussion will be held regarding that issue.

Mrs. Lynn Strong, Associate Superintendent, Human Resources, informed the Board that the district bargains according to Chapter 447, Florida Statutes, which requires that the district bargain separately with the unions, of which PBA is a union. The three other groups is a Meet and Confer, and Mrs. Sue Damala, Director, Employee Relations, meets with the groups' leadership as to what is equitable and fair for their employees.

Mr. Dale Spear, President, Educational Support & Management Association of Broward, Inc., thanked the School Board for the salary increase in this difficult year.

Mr. Pete Tingom, Executive Director, Confidential Office Personnel Association (COPA), thanked the Board for approval of the raise to administrative assistants and secretaries. Mr. Tingom informed that members have given \$2,000 from dues and awarded two scholarships this past year.

Mr. Gary Rowe, PBA, thanked the Board for approving the raise in these difficult economic times.

Mrs. Strong thanked the School Board, Mrs. Damala and Mr. Lorenzo Calhoun, Specialist, Employee Relations, for negotiating on behalf of these groups, including clerical support.

Mrs. Sobel stated, for the record, that staff deserves the raises but she has some concerns about the process.

G-8. Re-opener for the Third Year of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and the Police Benevolent Association for the 2008-2009 School Year (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Kraft, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to adopt the amendments to the Collective Bargaining Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida and the Police Benevolent Association (July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2010).

1. This Agreement provides for an average 3.25% increase for the 2008-2009 school year.
2. ~~The contract will have an additional one year successor and will expire June 30, 2010.~~

The salary adjustment of 3.25% will generate a total payroll increase of approximately \$49,810 for 2008-2009, including fringe benefits. The increase in funds required for this Agreement is in the reserve in the General Fund established for salary increases.

This agenda item was discussed concurrently with Agenda Items G-7, GG-1 and GG-2.

H. ATTORNEY

- H-1. Employment Agreements for Deputy General Counsels Robert Paul Vignola and Marylin Batista-McNamara, and Assistant General Counsel, Barbara J. Myrick (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Kraft, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried, to approve the Employment Agreements for Deputy General Counsels Robert Paul Vignola and Marylin Batista-McNamara, and Assistant General Counsel, Barbara J. Myrick.

The School Board's Legal Services Committee met on September 29, 2008, concerning the Employment Agreements and compensation of the Deputy General Counsels and Assistant General Counsel.

The Legal Services Committee recommends the approval of the Employment Agreements of the Deputy General Counsels and Assistant General Counsel for the period of November 1, 2008 through October 31, 2009, salary increases in the amount of 3.25%, and the duties and responsibilities as delineated for each attorney in their Employment Agreement.

The duties and responsibilities for each attorney were developed in accordance with the direction of The School Board.

The financial impact to the district for the proposed increases, including benefits, is \$5,531 for each Deputy General Counsel, and \$3,494 for the Assistant General Counsel, totaling \$14,556. The source of funds is the General Counsel's department budget.

Responding to Mrs. Kraft's inquiry, Mr. Marko stated that a substituted Revised Agenda Item was submitted to the Board prior to today's meeting.

Mrs. Hope requested that she be provided with a copy of the organizational chart from the School Board Attorney's Office.

I. OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

- I-1. Agreement with Nova Southeastern University (Approved)

Motion was made by Ms. Dinnen, seconded by Mrs. Kraft and carried, to approve agreement with Nova Southeastern University (NSU) to provide degree-seeking Broward County Public Schools' employees with reduced tuition.

The School Board's newly adopted Strategic Plan supports continuing education and professional development of all staff. Nova Southeastern University (NSU) has agreed to assist in this effort by providing school board employees enrolled in a degree-oriented program with a 20% reduction in tuition. In addition to the reduction in tuition, NSU may also offer some classes on-site at school and district offices, reducing travel time for employees.

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

There is no financial impact the district.

Dr. Nancy Terrel stated that NSU is pleased to offer this agreement to the School Board, offering 20 percent tuition reduction at every level of education.

Responding to Mrs. Sobel's inquiry, Dr. Terrel stated that the course is three credits at \$535 per credit, and a 20 percent discount will be given on the total amount. Dr. Terrel further stated that the semesters are broken up into two 8 week courses which will enable individuals to finish their study quickly.

J. FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

- J-1. Authorize Negotiations Construction Management at Risk Services for Cooper City High School, Cooper City, Project No. 1931-99-02 – Fort Lauderdale High School, Fort Lauderdale, Project No. 0951-27-01 – Margate Elementary School, Margate, Project No. 1161-26-01 – Northeast High School, Oakland Park, Project No.1241-27-01 (Approved)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Ms. Dinnen and carried, to approve the selection and authorize negotiations for Construction Management at Risk Services for various projects.

In accordance with Board Policy 7003 and RFQ No. 2008-30-FC, the Qualification Selection Evaluation Committee shortlisted, interviewed and has selected for Construction Management at Risk Services for Various Projects for approval by the Board as follows:

- **Cooper City High School** – Pavarini Construction Co. (SE), Inc.
- **Fort Lauderdale High School** – The Weitz Company, LLC
- **Margate Elementary School** – Kaufman Lynn, Inc., General Contractors
- **Northeast High School** – James A. Cummings, Inc.

The Superintendent's designees will negotiate the selected Construction Management at Risk Services fees for the projects and recommend award of contracts at a future School Board Meeting.

Proposal documents submitted by the proposers, staff evaluation documents and the Qualification Selection Evaluation Committee's score sheets are available at the Facilities and Construction Management Division.

The funds for this item are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, Cooper City High, page 175, Fort Lauderdale High, page 182, Margate Elementary, page 81 and Northeast High, page 190. There is no additional impact; therefore, a collaboration form is not required from the Capital Budget Department.

Mrs. Hope stated that she met with Mr. Garretson, who addressed her concerns.

J-2. Change Orders (Approved)

Approved change orders as listed for various school projects; an additional appropriation of \$14,568 from the Capital Projects Reserve; an additional appropriation of \$13,049 from the Capital Projects IAQ Reserve; and an additional appropriation of \$58,240 from the Capital Projects District Wide Roofing Reserve.

<u>Cooper City High</u>		Change Order 03	\$73,933
Unforeseen Condition	\$73,933		
<u>Deerfield Beach Elementary</u>		Change Order 01	\$8,978
Owner Request	\$8,978		
<u>King, Martin Luther Elementary</u>		Change Order 03	\$3,431
Unforeseen Condition	\$3,431		
<u>Margate Elementary</u>		Change Order 12	\$6,660
Unforeseen Condition	\$6,660		
<u>Margate Middle</u>		Change Order 01	\$7,466
Consultant Error	\$7,466		
<u>McFatter Technical Center</u>		Change Order 01	\$2,165
Unforeseen Condition	\$2,165		
<u>Miramar High</u>		Change Order 07	\$-470,220
(CREDIT)			
Owner Request	\$-470,220 (CREDIT)		
<u>North Lauderdale Elementary</u>		Change Order 01	\$6,485
Consultant Error	\$6,485		

<u>Forman, Blanche (Nova) Elementary</u>		Change Order 03	\$10,792
Consultant Error	\$2,352		
Owner Request	\$6,515		
Unforeseen Condition	\$1,925		
<u>Forman, Blanche (Nova) Elementary (Replace Roof)</u>		Change Order 02	\$58,240
Unforeseen Condition	\$58,240		
<u>Nova Middle</u>		Change Order 03	\$1,392
Unforeseen Condition	\$1,392		
<u>Ramblewood Elementary</u>		Change Order 01	\$3,277
Consultant Error	\$3,277		
<u>Southwest Area Bus Facility</u>		Change Order 17	\$5,316
Owner Request	\$5,316		
<u>Tradewinds Elementary</u>		Change Order 01	\$11,657
Consultant Error	\$11,657		
<u>Village Elementary</u>		Change Order 02	\$8,685
Owner Request	\$8,685		
<u>West Central Bus Complex</u>		Change Order 31	\$2,844
Owner Request	\$2,844		

Financial Impact: Forman, Blanche (Nova) Elementary – Project No.: P.000254 \$6,408; Forman, Blanche (Nova) Elementary – Project No.: P.000248 \$58,240; Nova Middle – Project No.: P.000263 \$1,392; Southwest Area Bus Facility – Project No.: P.000673 \$5,316; Tradewinds Elementary – Project No.: P.000790 \$11,657; West Central Bus Complex – Project No.: P.000699 \$2,844. An additional financial impact of \$14,568 will come from the Capital Projects Reserve. An additional financial impact of \$13,049 will come from the Capital Projects IAQ Reserve. An additional financial impact of \$58,240 will come from the Capital Projects District Wide Roofing Reserve. There is no additional financial impact to the district for the remaining projects.

J-3. Pre-Qualification of Contractors – Approval of Application and Issuance of Certificates (Approved)

Approved the recommendations of the Superintendent and the Qualification Selection Evaluation Committee.

The Qualification Selection Evaluation Committee (QSEC) convened on September 24, 2008, 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:

*Betancourt, Castellon Associates, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Certification

Budget Construction Co., Inc. – Issue Recommendation to Reject Application
Murton Roofing Corp. – Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification
N.Y.C. Builders, Inc. – Issue Recommendation to Deny Application
*Pioneer Roofing Company, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Certification
*The Tower Group, Inc. – Issue Pre-Qualification Certification

*New Certification **Certified M/WBE

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

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

J-4. Modification Number Two to Lease between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and NNN DCF Campus 1 through 32, for the Renewal of the Lease for GED Testing Program (Approved)

Approved the proposed modification number two to lease between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and NNN DCF Campus 1 through 32, for the renewal of the lease at 351 North SR 7, Plantation for GED Testing Program.

This modification will extend the lease term for five (5) years until Oct. 11, 2013, and provides for new rental amounts. All other terms and conditions remain from the existing lease.

The landlord has requested that the School Board execute the modification first.

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

The financial impact to the School District is \$58,364 per year, with three (3) percent increases each year on the anniversary date. The source of funding is the GED Testing fees.

J-5. License Agreement between the Coral Springs Center for the Arts and The School Board of Broward County, Florida, to Hold the All County Honors Music Performances (Approved)

Approved the license agreement between the Coral Springs Center for the Arts and The School Board of Broward County, Florida, to hold the All County Honors Music Performances.

The School Board will use the Coral Springs Center for the Arts to hold various All County Band, Jazz Band, Orchestra and Chorus Concerts for the 2008-2009 school year. The event will take place on the following dates:

11/12/08 – 4:00 PM - 10:00 PM	11/24/08 – 4:00 PM - 10:00 PM
11/13/08 – 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM	11/25/08 – 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM
11/17/08 – 4:00 PM - 10:00 PM	01/20/09 – 4:00 PM - 10:00 PM
11/18/08 – 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM	01/21/09 – 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

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

The financial impact to the school district is \$750 nonrefundable deposit, plus licensing fees of \$45,000. The source of funding is the 2008/2009 Core Curriculum Budget.

J-6. Assignment of Lease Agreement between Robert D. Trank and William M. Sullivan, and CPI West, LLC (Approved)

Approved the assignment of the lease agreement between Robert D. Trank and William M. Sullivan, and CPI West, LLC.

The School Board leases a parking lot located at 6600 NW 15th Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, owned by Mr. Trank and Mr. Sullivan. The property has been sold to CPI West, LLC, and buyer and seller now desire to assign the parking lot lease to the new owner. The lease states that neither lessor or lessee can assign the lease without written consent by the other party. Executing this assignment gives that consent.

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

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. Authorize Rejection of Responses Total Program Management Services Hallandale High School, Project No. P000889, Hallandale (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Sobel, seconded by Ms. Dinnen and carried, to approve the rejection of the responses received from D. Stephenson Construction, Inc., Grace & Naeem Uddin, Inc., Padula & Wadsworth Construction, Inc., Pavarini Construction Co. (SE), Inc., Weiss & Woolrich Contracting Co., Inc., and West Construction, Inc. for Hallandale High School Project No. P000889 in accordance with Article IX.A, and authorize re-advertising the project.

Six responses were received for RFP No. 2007-33-FC for Hallandale High School Project No. P0000889. There is not enough funding available to award contract for the entire scope of work at this time. It is recommended that the scope of work be revised to eliminate the fire sprinkler system scope and a request for procurement of design and construction services for the re-roofing scope be issued at a future date.

Proposal documents submitted by the proposers, staff evaluation documents and the Qualification Selection Evaluation Committee's score sheets are available at the Facilities and Construction Management Division.

The funds for this item are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008-2009 to 2012-2013. There is no additional impact; therefore, a collaboration form is not required from the Capital Budget Department.

Mrs. Sobel requested an update on the fire sprinkler system project.

Mr. Garretson responded that in the budget there was an allocation for \$450,000 for the sprinkler system but it will cost twice this amount. A recommendation will be made after the comprehensive boundary process to add money for this project. Mr. Garretson stated that the building code does not require old schools to be sprinkled but it has been done by the district because it is any investment in the school and protects children.

Mr. Garretson further stated that he will speak with Mr. Jerry Graziose, Director, Safety Department, to discuss contribution of funds for the project.

Mrs. Bartleman requested an update on the air conditioning at Hallandale High School.

Mr. Garretson responded that the Board approved funds to completely replace the AC system at the school.

K. OFFICE OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

OPEN ITEMS

AA. RESOLUTIONS

BB. BOARD MEMBERS

CC. BOARD POLICIES

DD. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF AUDITOR

EE. CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER

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

Motion was made by Ms. Dinnen, seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb and carried, to approve the Bid/RFP recommendations as stated on the award recommendation for each Bid/RFP listed below.

<u>BID/RFP</u>	<u>Title – Location – Amount</u>
29-056T	Pest Control Services – Physical Plant Operations – Amount: \$1,500,000 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complies with district Strategic Plan - Goal Seven, Objective 7.1• Incorporates Integrated Pest Management Principles (IPM)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Set action Thresholds• Monitor/Identify Pests• Prevention Management• Control Process

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

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

Mrs. Hope inquired whether Terminex was the lowest bidder.

Mr. Waremburg responded that this bid had three groups, five responses, and Terminex was the lowest responsive bidder on each of the sections for this bid. He stated that Hewlett, who was disqualified, submitted a letter stating there was a misunderstanding involving the amount of work that was required and they withdrew their bid.

FF. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION STUDENT SUPPORT

FF-1. Supplemental Education Services (SES) Agreement (Approved)

Motion was made by Ms. Dinnen, seconded by Ms. Gallagher and carried, to approve the fifth round of agreements for Supplemental Educational Service providers required under No Child Left Behind (NCLB).

There are currently 107 State-approved vendors who are eligible to offer SES services in Broward County and have expressed an interest.

The current agreements are for the following providers: 1. Learning Elements, Inc., 2. Child Hope Inc.

Vendors can receive up to \$1,405 per pupil for student tutoring services. This is equal to the per pupil appropriation given the District under the Title I program. Based on the required Title I set aside for SES, it is anticipated that 6,423 students can potentially be served in the 2008-09 school year. There will be additional contracts coming forward this year due to subsequent enrollment opportunities for parents. The timeline provides an overview of the process employed for the new school year.

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

The financial impact for this initiative is up to \$1,405 per approximately 6,423 students. The source of funds is the District's Title I SES set aside which has recently been revised by the state to \$9,024,695. There is no additional financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Gottlieb inquired about the procedure for an SES approved provider in marketing their program and the school's role in selecting a provider.

Mrs. Leslie Brown, Executive Director, Educational Programs, responded that the providers are allowed to market their programs directly to parents, through flyers posted at community centers, other organizations they worked with, and sporting events. Mrs. Brown stated that the provider does not get a data base of student information until they are selected as the provider. Mrs. Brown further stated that there were four provider fairs and all providers attended the successful event.

Mrs. Gottlieb discussed a situation whereby a provider was told they could not present because they were an off-campus provider. She requested clarification on this issue so that school based administration can deal with providers.

Mrs. Brown responded that all principals interview and use processes to select who gets a lease at the school as a provider. If they have decided on three to four providers, depending upon available space in their after-school program, it is allowable for them to have a provider fair so that parents can see who is in their after-school care program.

Mrs. Gottlieb inquired whether a provider can be excluded because they will not be providing services at a school.

Mrs. Brown responded that the principal is not required to open their school to every provider. She clarified that the district provides for every single student that is eligible for SES. The information was sent on August 13, 2008 to 35,000 parents, first week of September through backpack mailers, and on September 16, 2008 through backpack mailers. Mrs. Brown stated that the district has continued its due diligence in making sure that every single parent can choose from every single provider. The providers on their own can do additional marketing.

Mrs. Bartleman, Ms. Dinnen and Mr. Williams requested Mr. Notter to schedule a workshop to discuss the process of No Child Left Behind (NCLB) and differentiated accountability.

Ms. Dinnen requested that a list of problems be formulated into a letter to the Department of Education, with copies to the Legislature, concerning the Supplemental Education Services (SES).

GG. HUMAN RESOURCES

- GG-1. 2008-2009 Administrative, Supervisory, Professional & Technical Salary Schedule for Educational Support and Management Association of Broward, Inc. (ESMAB) (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Kraft, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to adopt the 2008-2009 Administrative, Supervisory, Professional & Technical Salary Schedule for the Meet and Confer group, Educational Support and Management Association of Broward, Inc. (ESMAB). This schedule will replace the current interim 2008-2009 salary schedule and will be retroactive to the beginning of the employees' assigned 2008-2009 calendar.

The Administrative, Supervisory, Professional & Technical Salary Schedule provides an average of 3.25% increase to the salary schedule for 2008-2009, effective July 1, 2008.

The salary adjustment of 3.25% will generate an increased payroll cost of approximately \$913,753 including fringe benefits for 2008-2009. The increase in funds required for this Agreement is in reserve in the general fund established for salary increases.

This agenda item was discussed concurrently with Agenda Items G-7, G-8 and GG-2.

GG-2. 2008-2009 School-Based Administrators Salary Schedule for Broward Principals and Assistants Association (BPAA) (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Kraft, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to adopt the 2008-2009 School-Based Administrators Salary Schedule for the Meet and Confer group, Broward Principals and Assistants Association (BPAA). This schedule will replace the current interim 2008-2009 salary schedule and will be retroactive to the beginning of the employees' assigned 2008-2009 calendar.

The School-Based Administrators Salary Schedule increases an average of 3.25% increase to the salary schedule for 2008-2009, effective July 1, 2008.

The salary adjustment of 3.25% will generate an increased payroll cost of approximately \$2,288,364 including fringe benefits for 2008-2009. The increase in funds required for this Agreement is in reserve in the general fund established for salary increases.

This agenda item was discussed concurrently with Agenda Items G-7, G-8 and GG-1.

HH. ATTORNEY

II. OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

JJ. FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

JJ-1. Reject the Request to Amend the Contract for Sale and Purchase for the Sale of the Hortt Administrative Facility to Broward County
(Deferred)

Motion was made by Ms. Gallagher, seconded by Ms. Dinnen, to reject the request to amend the Contract for Sale and Purchase for the sale of the Hortt Administrative Facility that would require the School Board to reduce the sales price from \$3,110,000 to \$2,788,500 at the request of Broward County. This motion was superseded by a Motion to Defer (page 45).

The School Board executed a contract to sell the Hortt Administrative facility to Broward County on November 14, 2007. The Contract for Sale and Purchase has yet to be acted on by the Board of County Commissioners. The Broward County Board of Commissioners issued a policy directive in March 2008, requiring that appraisals not be more than 180 days old on the date of a public hearing for consideration of contracts for the sale or purchase of real property. County staff obtained two new appraisals in March and April 2008. The average of the two new appraisals was \$2,788,500.

County staff then requested that the School Board amend the Purchase Agreement to reduce the price to \$2,788,500. The price reduction was rejected by the Superintendent of Schools.

The City of Fort Lauderdale, while not a party to the contract, will provide part of the funds to acquire the property and approve an Interlocal Agreement with the County that would obligate the City to contribute \$788,500 to the purchase price. Subsequent to the Superintendent's rejection of the proposed price reduction, the City of Fort Lauderdale staff prepared an agenda item for the September 3, 2008, meeting to amend the Interlocal Agreement to increase the City's contribution to \$1,110,000, which together with the County contributing \$2,000,000 would allow for the property to be acquired for the original purchase price of \$3,110,000.

The Fort Lauderdale City Commission deferred the item and directed staff to obtain a formal response from the School Board through a Board Action. The letter requesting that response is attached.

Financial Impact: Reduce the previously approved sale price from \$3,110,000 to \$2,788,500 for a reduction of \$321,500.

Ms. Dinnen stated that the item involves three governmental agencies who are in negotiations, with Board Members and staff having discussions, the Superintendent having meetings on this issue, and the legal department reviewing the item. Ms. Dinnen stated that the Board wants to do its due diligence and a deferral would be appropriate on this item.

Ms. Dinnen offered a Motion to Defer the item so that discussions and negotiations can continue.

Motion to Defer (Carried)

Motion was made by Ms. Dinnen, seconded by Mrs. Kraft and carried, to defer agenda item to the November 12, 2008 Regular School Board meeting.

The following individual addressed this item:

Joe Tomaini

Ms. Dinnen stated there will be a meeting with residents of Shady Banks on October 15, 2008 to explain the process of the sale and purchase.

A unanimous vote was taken on the Motion to Defer.

JJ-2. Award of Contract and Rejection of Bids – Construction Services Minor Projects – (General Contractor Services, Items 3-6) – Various Locations – Bid No. 2007-05-FC (Re-Bid) (Approved)

Motion was made by Ms. Dinnen, seconded by Mrs. Hope and carried, to approve award of construction contract for Construction Services Minor Projects (General Contractor Services, Items 3-6), Bid No. 2007-05-FC (Re-Bid), Various Locations to the low bidders meeting the bid specifications, Grace & Naeem Uddin, Inc., and D. Stephenson Construction, Inc., and rejection of bids received from Construction Consulting, Inc., Decon Environmental & Engineering, Inc., and Weiss & Woolrich Contracting, Inc.

Reject the bids received from:

- Construction Consulting, Inc., for failure to submit Document 00450, Document 00455, Document 00457, Document 00460, and Document 00466 as specified in Document 00200, Article 4.01, Items A3-A7.
- Decon Environmental & Engineering, Inc., for failure to submit Document 00466 as per Document 00200, Article 4.01, Item A7.
- Weiss & Woolrich Contracting, Inc., for failure to comply with 1013.46 F.S., State Requirements for Educational Facilities Ch. 4.1 (8) Board Policy 7003, Document 00008 Pre-Qualification of Contractor's Notice, and Document 00101 Advertisement for Bids

There are (2) Contractors to be awarded contracts:

Grace & Naeem Uddin, Inc.

- Item 3 for General Contractor Services for the North, North Central, and South Central Administrative Areas in the amount of \$1,500,000 each.
- Item 4 for General Contractor Services for the North, North Central, and South Central Administrative Areas in the amount of \$4,000,000 each.
- Item 5 for General Contractor Services for the North, North Central, and South Central Administrative Areas in the amount of \$5,000,000 each.
- Item 6 for General Contractor Services for the North, North Central, and South Central Administrative Areas in the amount of \$6,000,000 each.

D. Stephenson Construction, Inc.

- Item 3 for General Contractor Services for the South Administrative Area in the amount of \$1,500,000.
- Item 4 for General Contractor Services for the South Administrative Area in the amount of \$4,000,000.

- Item 5 for General Contractor Services for the South Administrative Area in the amount of \$5,000,000.
- Item 6 for General Contractor Services for the South Administrative Area in the amount of \$6,000,000.

Scope of Work: The purpose of the Bid is to establish term contracts for the Construction Services to complete various projects and others included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan.

The term of the contract shall be for (3) years with a one (1) year renewal at Owner's option and at the renewal amount stated in Document 00410.

Funds for these projects are included in the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Years 2008-2009 to 2012-2013, but specific locations to be completed under these contracts have not yet been determined. The spending authority resulting from approval of this item is \$66,000,000. There is no additional financial impact; therefore this item does not require a collaboration form from the Capital Budget Department.

Responding to Mrs. Kraft's inquiry, Mr. Garretson stated that rejecting bids for this particular procurement has no effect on other procurements. Mr. Garretson further stated that certain things are required in the RFP, to acknowledge an addendum which is substantive, and if the company fails to do that it becomes a question of whether or not the bid includes everything that was in that addendum.

KK. OFFICE OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Adjournment This meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

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