

02 09 2010 Work Session

New Business

1. [8:30 AM - 8:40 AM Board Member Comments](#)

Minutes: Mrs. Fields requested a date Board Members would like to review Dr. McKinzie's evaluation. Consensus was for March 16, 2010, immediately following the School Board meeting.

2. [8:40 AM - 9:10 AM Superintendent Search Proposal from Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates, Ltd.](#)

Attachment: [Hazard Young Attea Proposal.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Hunt Berryman, Polk Businesses for World Class Education, has agreed to help finance a national superintendent search up to \$50,000. It will be an open search for all qualified individuals.

Responses of salary survey: 15 appointed superintendent districts responded out of the 25 possible.

Consensus is for a open search.

Proposal of Hazard, Young, Attea and Associates will be added to today's School Board agenda as an emergency item.

Board Agenda Review

3. [9:10 AM - 9:30 AM Review Agenda of February 9, 2010 School Board Meeting](#)

Attachment: [02 09 10 School Board Agenda.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Item 12 - Bid Recommendations

Mrs. Sellers reported the request to negotiate with HealthStat for on-site clinics is included within the bid recommendations.

Item 42 - Project #P-01248 - Westwood Middle - Renovate Student Restrooms

Mr. Mullenax confirmed all their restrooms will be updated.

Items R47-49 (1999A and 1999B COPS Refunding)

Jerry Ford reported that because markets are more stable and interest rates have dropped we have the opportunity to refinance a portion of the district's outstanding debt. Specifically, refunding portions of the 1999A and B bonds will result in savings of \$100K - \$150K annually for the district without extending any of the debt. It will also help pay for the costs incurred during December's Qualified School Construction Loan.

The Resolutions 2009-2010/17 and 2009-2010/18 provide the opportunity to clean up the 1990's master document in regards to inefficiencies dealing with the trustee.

4. 9:30 AM - 9:40 AM BREAK

Discussion

Item 5

5. 9:40 AM - 10:00 AM Cleveland Court and Southwest Middle Proposal

Attachment: [Accelerated Program School Board Summary.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Dr. Nickell reported that principals from Cleveland Court Elementary and Southwest Middle School have developed a seamless approach for accelerating interested students between the two schools. Program will provide extra rigor in the curriculum and there is no cost to the district.

Dan Lunn, Cleveland Court, stated that enrollment has been declining over the past several years due to Choice option. Because Cleveland Court Elementary is a feeder school for Southwest Middle, they would like to initiate a K-8 STEM

accelerated program.

John Wilson, Southwest Middle School, reported the plan is to provide opportunities for both at-risk students as well as those wanting advanced studies.

Mrs. Fields asked if this was only for zoned students. Mr. Lunn and Dr. Nickell stated that there would be limited choice offered for out-of-zone students if space is available.

Mrs. Sellers would like to have information on the details of the program.

Mr. O'Reilly, Mr. Mullenax, Mrs. Lofton and Mrs. Cunningham support the program but would also like to see the details.

Item 6

6. [10:00 AM - 10:20 AM Associated Marine Institute](#)

Attachment: [AMI POLK.pdf](#)

Attachment: [BUDGET IMPACT ANALYSIS 09-10 AMI.pdf](#)

Attachment: [ASSOCIATE MARINE INSTITUTE summary.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Courses Offered at AMIkids Polk.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Draft Bell Schedule for AMIkids Polk 2010 7 periods per day \(2\).pdf](#)

Minutes:

Dr. Bruce Tonjes and Cheryl Hallman presented the request of AMI Kids Polk, an afterschool DJJ program.

AMI Kids Polk, formerly Associated Marine Institute, is requesting to have a day program for 40 court-assigned students in the Lakeland area. There might be a possibility for surrounding area to be included if transportation issues can be resolved with parents. AMI has a 74% success rate in returning students back to the community.

The School District would like to increase the enrollment from 40 to 45 to allow 5 seats for selected alternative education students access to the after hours programs AMI Kids Polk offers. AMI Kids Polk will use highly qualified staff and the arrangements would be similar to what is offered by PACE.

Mr. Harris reported this allows the district the flexibility to place students who have been arrested and should not be returned to the classroom. The program includes behavior modification to improve status within the community.

Item 7

7. [10:20 AM - 10:40 AM Minor Rezoning for Middle and Senior High Schools](#)

Attachment: [PROPOSED MINOR SCHOOL REZONING February 2010.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Fred Murphy and Brenda Taguri reported this area currently resides in the Highland City Elementary, Lakeland Highlands Middle and George Jenkins High School zone area and has the potential for development. The rezoning will assign enrollment for Spessard Holland Elementary, Bartow Middle, and Bartow High School to avoid crowding at the Lakeland area schools.

Mr. Harris asked what route parents would take to the zoned schools. Mrs. Taguri reported there is a proposed road in place should development begin. Mrs. Sellers reported that currently students north of Lakeland Highlands Middle are zoned for Bartow Middle.

Dr. McKinzie suggested that when the area is under development, the district could place a sign notifying the community of schools zoned for the development.

Mrs. Lofton suggested that the idea be used for any development.

Item 8

8. ~~10:40 AM - 10:55 AM Magnet, Choice & Charter School Policy Changes~~

Attachment: ~~4018-revised following ws.pdf~~

Attachment: ~~Magnet and Choice Policy Discussions.pdf~~

Attachment: ~~4020_Charter Policy_after PC091709.pdf~~

Attachment: ~~Work Session Summary 100209.pdf~~

Attachment: ~~4017-revised following ws.pdf~~

Minutes: Carolyn Bridges requested the item be pulled because the 'strike-thru' version was not provided.

Information

Business Services - General

9. [Accounting Timeline](#)

Attachment: [Closing Calendar through 12-2010.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Mrs. Fields reported the information provided is not what the Audit Committee requested.

Mrs. Phelps commented the Audit Committee asked for information on crosstraining, filling vacant positions, and consultants to be used. This is only one piece of what they requested.

Mrs. Phelps will meet with Mark Grey to clear up any misunderstanding.

10. [Women and Minority Business Enterprise Update](#)

Attachment: [WMBE Summary 10-1-09 - 12-31-09.pdf](#)

Attachment: [RTS Save the Date 2010.pdf](#)

Attachment: [WMBE Report.pdf](#)

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:33 AM. Minutes were approved and attested this 23rd day of February, 2010.

Kay Fields, Board Chair

Gail F. McKinzie, Ph. D., Superintendent