

04-10-07 Regular School Board Meeting

Call Meeting to Order

Acceptance of Agenda

1. [Accept Regular Agenda of April 10, 2007](#)  
Attachment: [REVISIONS TO THE CONSENT AGENDA.doc](#)

**Motions:**

Motion to accept Agenda of April 10, 2007. - PASS

**Vote Results**

Motion: Kay Fields  
Second: Lori Cunningham

Lori Cunningham - Aye  
Kay Fields - Aye  
Tim Harris - Aye  
Margaret Lofton - Aye  
Frank O'Reilly - Aye  
Hazel Sellers - Aye

Invocation

2. [Kay Fields, School Board Member District 5 provided the Invocation in Dr. Reddout's absence.](#)

## Pledge of Allegiance

3. [Paige Belcher, 5th grade, Lewis Anna Woodbury Elementary](#)

## Special Recognitions

4. [Fine Arts Festival](#)
5. [Dollar General Student Profile Project](#)
6. [National TV Production Award Winners](#)
7. [ProStart Competition Winners](#)
8. [Family Career and Community Leaders of America Winners](#)
9. [Health Occupations Students of America Winners](#)
10. [Polk County Entrepreneur Winners](#)

## Minutes:

11. [State Career Education Clubs of America Winners](#)

12. [State Distributed Education Club of America Winners](#)

## Public Comments on Agenda Items

### Approval of Minutes

13. [C-13 Approve Minutes of the March 13, 2007 Regular School Board Meeting](#)  
Attachment: [031307 School Board Minutes.pdf](#)

**Minutes:** Minutes were approved as presented.

### Approval of Consent Agenda

14. [C-14 Approve April 10, 2007 Consent Agenda](#)

#### Motions:

Approve April 10, 2007 Consent Agenda. - PASS

#### Vote Results

Motion: Hazel Sellers  
Second: Tim Harris

Lori Cunningham - Aye  
Kay Fields - Aye  
Tim Harris - Aye  
Margaret Lofton - Aye  
Frank O'Reilly - Aye  
Hazel Sellers - Aye

## New Administrator Announcements

### Consent

#### Business Services General Items

15. [C-15 Bid Recommendations for April 10, 2007 Board Meeting](#)

Attachment: [Bid Rec 4-10-07.doc](#)

16. [C-16 February 2007 Monthly Financial Statements](#)

Attachment: [Feb 2007 Mon Fin Stmt Cover Memo.doc](#)

Attachment: [Feb 2007 Monthly Financial Stmt.pdf](#)

17. [C-17 Purchase annuity for retiring employee](#)

Attachment: [BID-TAB03-07.xls](#)

### **Business Services Budget Revisions**

18. [C-18 Information Systems - Budget Revision Request 3/5/07](#)

19. [C-19 2006/07 February Budget Amendments](#)

Attachment: [16Bud Amend - Special Revenue 041007.xls](#)

Attachment: [15Bud Amend - Food Service 041007.xls](#)

Attachment: [14Bud Amend - General Fund 041007.xls](#)

Attachment: [Summary 04-10-07.doc](#)

### **Business Services Grant Applications**

20. [C-20 Department of Education Voluntary Public School Choice Mentee District Project \(Continuation\) 2006-2007](#)

Attachment: [BM VPSC Mentee Project Revised Narrative.doc](#)

Attachment: [BM VPSC Mentee Project Revised DOE100 101.doc](#)

Attachment: [BM Summary 3 13 07.doc](#)

Attachment: [BM Budget Impact Analysis 3 13 07.doc](#)

## Business Services Donations

21. [C-21 \\$500 donation to Sandhill from Heart of Florida Hospital](#)  
Attachment: [Acceptance of Donations.doc](#)

22. [C-22 \\$15,000 Donation from Blue Cross/Blue Shield to Crystal Lake Elementary](#)  
Attachment: [AcceptanceofDonations-Blue Cross 2 .pdf](#)

23. [C-23 \\$2,000 Donation from Blue Cross/Blue Shield for Wellness Program](#)  
Attachment: [Donation BCBS 2007.doc](#)

24. [C-24 \\$10,000 Donation from Walgreens Health Initiatives for Wellness Program](#)  
Attachment: [Donation Walgreens 2007.doc](#)  
Attachment: [Walgreens 2007 \\$10,000.doc](#)

25. [C-25 \\$1,000 Donation from The Lions Foundation to Auburndale High School](#)  
Attachment: [The Lions Foundation of Aub 2007.doc](#)

26. [C-26 \\$1,000 Donation from The Lions Foundation to Auburndale High School](#)  
Attachment: [The Lions Foundation of Aub 2007 Incentive Fund.doc](#)

27. [C-27 Non-Cash Donations from Chuck Keyser of Keyco Construction to Auburndale High School](#)  
Attachment: [Chuck Keyser - Keyco Construction.doc](#)

28. [C-28 \\$1000 Donation from Disney to Boone Middle School](#)  
Attachment: [Disney Check.doc](#)

29. [C-29 \\$500 Donation from Wal-Mart to Boone Middle School](#)  
Attachment: [FFA Check.doc](#)

30. [C-30 \\$500 Donation from the Heart of Florida Regional Medical Center to Boone Middle](#)  
Attachment: [Heart of FL Check.doc](#)

31. [C-31 \\$500.00 Donation from Henkelman Construction to Carlton Palmore Elementary](#)  
Attachment: [Acceptance of Donations \(2\).doc](#)

32. [C-32 \\$1,000.00 Donation from Dr. & Mrs. Brian Renz to Carlton Palmore Elementary](#)  
Attachment: [Acceptance of Donations \(2\).doc](#)

33. [C-33 \\$500 Donation from Velda Farms, LLC to Carlton Palmore Elementary](#)  
Attachment: [Acceptance of Donations \(2\).doc](#)

34. [C-34 \\$1213.65 in book donations from Florida Department of Citrus to Library Media Services](#)  
Attachment: [Acceptance of Donations \(2\).doc](#)

35. [C-35 \\$1,000 Donation from Watson Clinic LLP to Carlton Palmore Elementary](#)

Attachment: [Acceptance of Donations \(2\).doc](#)

#### Facilities & Operations General Items – Architectural Services

36. [C-36 Project #C-00147 - Lake Marion Creek School - New Middle School "AA"](#)

37. [C-37 New Ninth Grade Center Prototype to be located at various High Schools](#)

Attachment: [Ninth Grade Centers Short List.pdf](#)

#### Facilities & Operations General Items – Construction Services

38. [C-38 Project #C-00163 -Stephens Elementary - 8 Classroom Addition](#)

Attachment: [c163wksht.doc](#)

39. [C-39 Project #C-00161 - Churchwell Elementary - 12 Classroom Addition](#)

Attachment: [c161wksht.doc](#)

40. [C-40 Project #C-00156 - Combee Elementary - 8 Classroom Addition](#)

Attachment: [c156wksht.doc](#)

41. [C-41 Various Projects - Superintendent/Facilities Staff Authorization to Approve Guaranteed Maximum Price Proposals](#)  
Attachment: [c198wksht.doc](#)  
Attachment: [c177wksht.doc](#)  
Attachment: [c123wksht.doc](#)

42. [C-42 Project #R-01078 - Winston Elementary - Replacement Roof for Buildings No. 6 & 10](#)  
Attachment: [roofingwksht.xls](#)  
Attachment: [bidtabR1078.doc](#)

43. [C-43 Project #R-01077 - Kathleen Middle - Replacement Roof for Building No. 6](#)  
Attachment: [bidtabR1077.doc](#)  
Attachment: [roofingwksht.xls](#)

44. [C-44 Project #C-00221 \(Bid File #262-FDF-0207\) - Auburndale Senior - Fire Protection for Building No. 27](#)  
Attachment: [c221wksht.doc](#)  
Attachment: [c221firesprinklerbidtab.doc](#)

#### **Facilities & Operations Contract Changes – Construction Services**

45. [C-45 Project #R-01045 - Bartow Senior High - Replace Roof on Building No. 19 \(Gym & Industrial Arts Bldg.\)](#)  
Attachment: [r1045.pdf](#)

46. [C-46 Project #C-00161 - Churchwell Elementary - 12 Classroom Addition](#)  
Attachment: [c161.pdf](#)

47. [C-47 Project #C-00145 - Sleepy Hill Elementary - New Elementary School "I"](#)

Attachment: [c145.pdf](#)

48. [C-48 Project #C-00145 - Sleepy Hill Elementary - New Elementary School "I"](#)

### Facilities & Operations Maintenance Project Requests

49. [C-49 Project #R-01077 - Kathleen Middle - Re-roof Building 6](#)

50. [C-50 Project #R-01078 - Winston Elementary - Re-roof Buildings](#)

51. [C-51 Project #P-0115 - Frostproof Elementary - Demolish and Renovate](#)

52. [C-52 Project #R-01079 - Lakeland Senior - Repair Bleachers](#)

### Human Resource Services Recommendations

53. [C-53 Recommendations for Administrative and Instructional Personnel](#)

Attachment: Termination Support-Instructional all  
4-10-07.pdf (Confidential Item)

Attachment: [INSTRUCTIONAL AND HOURLY AGENDA 4-10-07.pdf](#)

**Minutes:**

\*\*\*Approved personnel recommendations are recorded in  
Supplemental Book 68-B 07, pages 496 - 585\*\*\*

54. [C-54 Recommendations for Non-Instructional Personnel](#)

Attachment: Termination Support Non-Instructional  
4-10-07.pdf (Confidential Item)

Attachment: [NON-INSTRUCTIONAL AGENDA 04-10-07.pdf](#)

**Minutes:**

\*\*\*Approved personnel recommendations are recorded in  
Supplemental Book 68-B 07, pages 496 - 585\*\*\*

55. [C-55 Recommendations for Temporary Duty Assignments](#)

Attachment: [TDA 4-10-07.pdf](#)

**Minutes:**

\*\*\*Approved personnel recommendations are recorded in  
Supplemental Book 68-B 07, pages 496 - 585\*\*\*

**Human Resource Services Requests for New Positions and/or Job Descriptions**

56. [C-56 Request Approval of New Position and Job Description for Assistant Superintendent, Learning Support](#)

Attachment: [Job Description Asst Supt Learning Support.pdf](#)

**Support Services Field Trip Requests**

57. [C-57 Out of State Field Trips](#)  
Attachment: [field trip form-agenda4.10.07.doc](#)

## Regular

### Administration - School Board

58. [R-58 Naming of Facilities - Softball Field at Lake Wales High School](#)

Attachment: [Lori Cunningham letter.doc](#)

Attachment: [LWHS SAC MINUTES.pdf](#)

#### Motions:

Approval to name the competition softball field at Lake Wales High School the Don Ramsey Field. - PASS

#### Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham

Second: Hazel Sellers

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Tim Harris - Aye

Margaret Lofton - Aye

Frank O'Reilly - Aye

Hazel Sellers - Aye

59. [R-59 Naming of Facilities - Science/Chemistry Labs at Lake Wales High School](#)

Attachment: [LWHS SAC MINUTES.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Lori Cunningham letter.doc](#)

#### Motions:

Motion to approve naming the science/chemistry labs at Lake Wales High School, the Juanna Family Foundation Science Labs. - PASS

#### Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham

Second: Hazel Sellers

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Tim Harris - Aye

Margaret Lofton - Aye  
Frank O'Reilly - Aye  
Hazel Sellers - Aye

## Facilities & Operations General Items – Property Management (Land)

60. [R-60 High School BBB - Deed to Polk County for Additional Right-of-Way](#)

Attachment: [Resolution 2006-2007-24.doc](#)

### Motions:

Approval of Resolution 2006/2007-24 conveying additional right-of-way to Polk County from the High School BBB property for construction and maintenance of roadway improvements made to Clover Road and Old Dixie Highway. - PASS

### Vote Results

Motion: Hazel Sellers  
Second: Lori Cunningham

Lori Cunningham - Aye  
Kay Fields - Aye  
Tim Harris - Aye  
Margaret Lofton - Aye  
Frank O'Reilly - Aye  
Hazel Sellers - Aye

## Learning General Items

61. [R-61 Head Start Grant Application](#)

Attachment: [Head Start Summary 2 2 .pdf](#)

### Motions:

Approval to submit proposal for the Federal Head Start Program as discussed at the Special Work Session of April 4, 2007. - PASS

### Vote Results

Motion: Tim Harris  
Second: Lori Cunningham

Lori Cunningham - Aye  
Kay Fields - Nay

Tim Harris - Aye  
Margaret Lofton - Aye  
Frank O'Reilly - Aye  
Hazel Sellers - Aye

**Motion Minutes:**

Mrs. Fields announced that she will not be able to support the motion; she believes there is an outside organization that is equally as capable as the school district to administer the program.

Mrs. Cunningham believes the district has a vested interest in the preparation of these students for Kindergarten.

## Public Hearing

### Superintendent's Report

62. [Superintendent's Report](#)

**Minutes:**

Dr. McKinzie announced that a letter has been sent requesting Sheriff Grady Judd assist us again this year by monitoring the illegal sale of brass knuckles and other items to minors at local flea markets.

The next work session is scheduled for Tuesday, April 24, 2007 at 12:30 PM in the Superintendent's Conference Room, Bartow; and,

The next Special School Board Meeting will be Tuesday, April 24, 2007 at 5:00 PM in the School Board Auditorium located at 1915 S. Floral Avenue, Bartow, Florida.

## Attorney's Report

63. [Attorney Report](#)

Attachment: [Public Hearing - Chain of Lakes Rezoning.doc](#)

**Minutes:**

Announced that a Public Hearing for Chain of Lakes Elementary Rezoning has been advertised for May 8, 2007 to be held during the regularly scheduled School Board meeting.

## Auditor's Report

### Board Members' Report

#### 64. [Frank O'Reilly, School Board Member District 1](#)

**Minutes:** Mr. O'Reilly reported that Lakeland High School students participated in an event prior to Spring Break where they entertained over 500 2nd graders with games and other activities.

#### 65. [Lori Cunningham, School Board Member District 2](#)

**Minutes:**

As this time of year keeps everyone busy with awards programs, concerts, celebrations, all in honor of students throughout the school district, Mrs. Cunningham highlighted a few of events she attended over the past few weeks. The 2007 All-State Musicians and "Youth in Concert" featuring the 2007 Statewide Young Artist Winners accompanied by the Imperial Symphony Orchestra was wonderful. The four young artists were so talented and two of them were from Polk County: Jacob Peace, a senior at Harrison School for the Arts who has studied the bassoon for seven years, and Whitney Ready who attends Southeastern University and has studied flute for 11 years! Congratulations to these fine young artists for this inspiring music.

The Winter Haven Chamber of Commerce hosted the Annual Focus on Education Breakfast with guest speakers, Dr. Gail McKinzie, Superintendent of Polk County Public Schools, Dr. Eileen Holden, President of Polk Community College, and Dr. Marshall Goodman, VP/CEO of the University of South Florida - Lakeland. They presented a fabulous program outlining their vision of a seamless Pre-K through college education for our students and the collaboration they have done to accomplish this goal. It was a inspiring to hear their enthusiasm and dedication to our children.

The Polk Community College Foundation hosted its' inaugural luncheon of Wise and Witty Women in celebration of Women's History Month. The luncheon featured Jewett School of the Arts' Leading Ladies who performed an anthology entitled, "Celebrated Women". Mrs. Cunningham stated she would like to invite the group to perform at one of our Board meetings. Their statements were so profound and truly touched every heart in the room. Thank you to Dr. Eileen Holden and her staff for hosting this great event whose proceeds will benefit women's scholarships and programs at Polk Community College.

Thank you to Tampa Electric Company for sponsoring the District's About Face and Master Key Awards Ceremony. A total of 46 young students throughout the county were recognized for making an "about-face" or a positive behavior change in their lives. Also, four teachers were given the Master Key Award for their dedication and outstanding leadership in helping children overcome obstacles by teaching them to believe in themselves. This is truly one of the most touching ceremonies that we attend each year.

The Polk County Council of English Teachers held its' 31st Poetry Awards Assembly. Over 200 students who entered the poetry contest were published in the 2007 Poetry Anthology. Of those, 21 student winners were chosen, three from each grade 6-12. The poems were as diverse as the students who wrote them; each expressing their views on the world around them. Congratulations to all the students who submitted poems..you are all winners!

Bethune Academy hosted a wonderful luncheon to celebrate the student learning gains of our Culyer School's in Polk County. In particular, two young students were recognized for their tremendous achievements in school. I would like to congratulate Kevin Coy, a 5th grader at Bethune Academy, and Constance Lee, a 6th grader at Union Academy, formerly at Gibbons Street Elementary, for their academic progress over the past several years. Keep up the good work....we are all so very proud of you! Mrs. Cunningham thanked the parents for their support and school involvement which has empowered their child to do his/her very best.

66. [Hazel Sellers, School Board Member District 3](#)

**Minutes:**

Also attended several competitions and events recently: Middle School Spelling B, Elementary E-Team Finals, High School A-Team Competitions, and the History Fair.

Traveled to Tallahassee during Spring Break and met with Legislators on the Property Tax reform and other issues.

Attended the Central Florida Public School Boards Coalition where DOE's FISH Capacity vs Program Capacity issue was discussed. DOE's FISH capacity is determined by student stations in regular classrooms and differs greatly from the actual amount of space needed at the school site. DOE's FISH report does not take into consideration ESE programs, Title I programs and other classes. The reporting differences affect our class size requirements. The Coalition will be submitting a white paper on the issue.

Mrs. Sellers distributed a brochure that provided contact information on the Florida Department of Education's teacher liaison, Nicole Flesvig, and her website, [JustForTeachers@fldoe.org](mailto:JustForTeachers@fldoe.org).

67. [Dr. Brenda Reddout, School Board Member District 4](#)

**Minutes:** Absent

68. [Kay Fields, School Board Member District 5](#)

**Minutes:**

Complimented Dr. McKinzie for her insight and vision of the ESE program.

Visited the Juvenile Detention Center last week and witnessed the wonderful work Rabun Reynolds and his staff are doing at the Center.

69. [Tim Harris, School Board Member District 7](#)

**Minutes:**

Encouraged everyone to visit his website: [timforschools.com](http://timforschools.com).

70. [Margaret Lofton, School Board Chairman, District 6](#)

**Minutes:**

Traveled to Tallahassee over Spring Break and met with several Legislators on returning the School Calendar issue to local control.

She announced that 47 School Boards within the State have received Master Board training and Polk County was not one of the them.

Mrs. Lofton spoke briefly on the Dream Act, this is federal legislation that will allow illegal aliens who have been in the school system for a number of years to attend college and not pay out-of-state tuition.

Mrs. Lofton invited everyone to attend the Agri-fest currently going on at the Stuart Center.

## Public Comments Addressing Items Not on Agenda

71. [Beverly Sexton - Waiting list at Jewett School of the Arts](#)

**Minutes:** Did not respond when called upon.

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:49 PM. Minutes were approved and attested this \_\_\_\_ day of April, 2007.

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Margaret A. Lofton, Chairman

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Gail F. McKinzie, Ph.D., Superintendent