

04-24-07 Special School Board Meeting

Call Meeting to Order

Acceptance of Agenda

1. [Accept Agenda of the April 24, 2007 Special School Board Meeting](#)
Attachment: [REVISIONS TO AGENDA.pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to accept the Special School Board Meeting of April 24, 2007. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Brenda Reddout
Second: Hazel Sellers

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

Invocation

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

Pledge of Allegiance

3. [Cynthia Bejano, 5th grader at Jewett School of the Arts](#)

Special Recognitions

4. [Betty Thornhill Donation to George Jenkins High School](#)
5. [Chain of Lakes Achievers Group](#)
6. [State Chinese Language Competition Winner](#)
7. [President's Volunteer Service Award Winners](#)
8. [Polk Region Science and Engineering Fair Winners](#)
9. [2007 Tournament Winners](#)
10. [History Fair Winners](#)
11. [1,000 Community Service Hours](#)

12. [Service Learning Projects](#)

Public Comments on Agenda Items

13. [Public Speakers on Agenda Items](#)

Approval of Minutes

14. [C-16 Approve Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting of April 10, 2007](#)
Attachment: [4 10 07 School Board Meeting.pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting of April 10, 2007. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Kay Fields
Second: Brenda Reddout

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

Approval of Consent Agenda

15. [C-17 Approve Consent Agenda](#)

Motions:

Motion to approve Consent Agenda. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Brenda Reddout
Second: Tim Harris

Lori Cunningham - Aye
Kay Fields - Aye
Tim Harris - Aye
Margaret Lofton - Aye

Frank O'Reilly - Aye
Brenda Reddout - Aye
Hazel Sellers - Aye

New Administrator Announcements

16. [Dr. Wayne Dickens, East Area Adult School Principal](#)
Attachment: [East Area Prin II.doc](#)

17. [Danny Adams, Bartow Middle School Principal](#)
Attachment: [Bartow Middle Prin II \(2\).doc](#)

Consent

Business Services General Items

18. [C-20 Bid Recommendations for April 24, 2007 Board Meeting](#)
Attachment: [Bid Rec 4-24-07.doc](#)

19. [C-21 PCSB Property Insurance](#)
Attachment: [April 24 Consent Agenda Item - Business Services Item C-21 Property Insurance.doc](#)

Business Services Budget Revisions

20. [C-22 March Budget Amendments 2006-07](#)
Attachment: [18Bud Amend - Capital Projects 042407.xls](#)
Attachment: [19Bud Amend - Special Revenue 042407.xls](#)
Attachment: [Summary 04-24-07.doc](#)
Attachment: [17Bud Amend - General Fund 042407.xls](#)

21. [C-23 Budget Revision Request - BEST Centers](#)

Business Services Donations

22. [C-25 Polk Education Foundation donations to schools](#)
Attachment: [Acceptance of Donations \(2\).doc](#)

23. [C-26 \\$1,381.70 Donation to Medulla Elementary School](#)
Attachment: [acceptance of donation #2.doc](#)

24. [C-27 \\$1,000 Donation from Ft. Meade FFA Alumni to Ft. Meade Middle Sr. High](#)
Attachment: [donation.doc](#)

25. [C-28 \\$2,000 Donation from Levy County School Board to Academic Competitions](#)
Attachment: [Acceptance of Donations Levy.doc](#)

26. [C-29 \\$1,750.00 Donation from Kiwanis Club to Loughman Oaks Elem.](#)
Attachment: [Acceptance of Donations \(2\).doc](#)

27. [C-30 PCSB to accept 50 Gateway Tablet PCs](#)
Attachment: [Gateway Donation.doc](#)

Business Services Purchasing Items

28. [C-31 Purchase of Uninterruptible Power Supply Equipment](#)

Business Services Purchasing Items for Information Systems & Technology

29. [C-32 Compass Learning Odyssey Software](#)
Attachment: [Odyssey Quote 4 new elementary schools 2-07.pdf](#)
Attachment: [Compass Learning Budget Impact Analysis Revised R.doc](#)
Attachment: [Compass Learning SCHOOL BOARD SUMMARY.doc](#)
Attachment: [compasslearning sole source April.pdf](#)

Facilities & Operations General Items – Architectural Services

30. [C-34 Project #C-00219 Socrum Elementary - 8 Classroom Addition](#)
31. [C-35 Project #C-00217 R. Bruce Wagner Elementary - 8 Classroom Addition](#)
32. [C-36 Project #C-00238 Regional High School Football Stadium](#)
Attachment: [Agenda 042407 - C-238 Stadium.pdf](#)
33. [C-37 Project #C-00226 - Lake Shipp Elementary \(Buildings 2, 4 & 6 Renovations\)](#)

Facilities & Operations General Items – Construction Services

34. [C-38 Project #C-00198 - Summerlin Academy - New Facility](#)
Attachment: [c198wksht.doc](#)

Facilities & Operations Contract Changes – Construction Services

35. [C-39 Project #C-00171 - Jim Miles Professional Development Center - New Asphalt Parking](#)
Attachment: [c171altocontractchange.pdf](#)

Facilities & Operations Maintenance Project Requests

36. [C-40 Project #C-00238 - Countywide - Regional High School Football Stadium](#)

37. [C-42 Project #R-01080 - Superintendent's Office - Reroof UA-1 Building](#)

Facilities & Operations School Improvement Project Requests

38. [C-43 Project #P-01116 - Southwest Middle - Install Concrete Driveway](#)

Human Resource Services Recommendations

39. [C-44 Recommendations for Administrative and Instructional Personnel](#)

Attachment: Termination Support Instructional 4-24-07 a.pdf (Confidential Item)

Attachment: [Page 2-Instructional Recommendations 4-24-07.pdf](#)

Attachment: [INSTRUCTIONAL AGENDA 04-24-07 Add pg 7.xls](#)

Attachment: [INSTRUCTIONAL AGENDA 04-24-07.pdf](#)

Minutes:

***Approved personnel recommendations are recorded

in Supplemental Book 68B 07, pages 586 - 649.**

40. [C-45 Recommendations for Non-Instructional Personnel](#)

Attachment: Teague Carlos-Final Order-4-07.pdf (Confidential Item)

Attachment: [Page 10-Non-Instructional Recommendations 4-24-07.pdf](#)

Attachment: [NON-INSTRUCTIONAL AGENDA 04-24-07.pdf](#)

Attachment: Termination Support Instructional 4-24-07 a.pdf (Confidential Item)

Attachment: Walker Jeremy-Final Order-Reinst 4-07.pdf (Confidential Item)

Minutes:

***Approved personnel recommendations are recorded

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41. [C-46 Recommendations for Temporary Duty Assignments](#)

Attachment: [TDA 4-24-07.pdf](#)

Minutes:

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in Supplemental Book 68B 07, pages 586 - 649.**

42. [C-47 Revised Job Description for Senior Coordinator, Sunshine State Standards Curriculum-Secondary Level](#)
Attachment: [4-24-07 Sr Coord, SSSC-Sec.pdf](#)

Learning – New Textbook Adoption

43. [C-48 Adoption and purchase of Visual Arts Textbooks](#)
Attachment: [School Board Summary for Textbook Adoption.doc](#)

Regular

Administration General Items

44. [R-49 Auburndale High School's Request to Name Track in Honor of Tom Bowman](#)
Attachment: [Auburndale 3.doc](#)
Attachment: [Auburndale 1.doc](#)
Attachment: [Auburndale 2.doc](#)
Attachment: [Auburndale 4.doc](#)

Minutes:

In recognition of Tom Bowman's 32 years of service at Auburndale High School, the principal, staff, and SAC request permission to name the track field in his honor.

Mr. Harris reported that Mr. Bowman was a Navy veteran and attended Florida State University where some of his track records remain unbroken today.

Motions:

Recommend approval to name the track at Auburndale High School in honor of Tom Bowman. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Tim Harris
Second: Lori Cunningham

Tim Harris - Aye
Margaret Lofton - Aye
Frank O'Reilly - Aye
Brenda Reddout - Aye

Hazel Sellers - Aye
Kay Fields - Aye
Lori Cunningham - Aye

Facilities & Operations Maintenance Project Requests

45. [C-41 Project #P-01117 - McKeel Academy - Remodel Storage Room](#)

Motions:

Motion to approve creating a project to remodel storage room at McKeel Academy. - 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
Brenda Reddout - Aye
Hazel Sellers - Aye

Motion Minutes: Mr. Harris questioned why the District was remodeling storage areas at a charter School. The Superintendent explained that because McKeel Academy is a conversion charter school, the buildings belong to the District.

Public Hearing

46. [R-50 TO BEGIN NO EARLIER THAN 6:00 PM: Contract for Edward W. Bok Academy](#)

Attachment: [BM Summary-Contract 4.24.07.doc](#)

Attachment: [Ltr to Request Extension of Delay to Open 3.6.07.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Summary of Significant Changes to Bok Contract 4.24.07.doc](#)

Attachment: [Draft 5 - Bok Academy from PCSB 4.11.07.doc](#)

Minutes: Carolyn Finch, Senior Director of Magnet, Choice and Charter School Division, reported that BOK requested to delay the opening for one year.

Motions:

To approve the charter contract extension for Edward W. Bok Academy - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Brenda Reddout
Second: Lori Cunningham

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

Motion Minutes:

Mr. Harris asked if there was concern this is the second extension request of the Charter applicant.

Mrs. Finch reported that the delay would allow them to remodel facilities at Warner Southern as permanent facilities rather than expend funds unnecessarily on portable classrooms.

Superintendent's Report

47. [Superintendent's Report](#)

Minutes:

Dr. McKinzie announced that funeral services for Dr. Clint Wright, Superintendent of Lake Wales Charter Schools, will be tomorrow. Dr. Bruce Tonjes has made arrangements for district office personnel to cover classes at Kathleen High School to allow staff to attend the funeral of their former principal. Human Resource Services has made arrangements for substitutes to be assigned to Kathleen Middle for staff to attend the funeral also.

The Superintendent announced that through the efforts of Representative Seth McKeel and Senator Dockery an additional \$50,000 was placed in the legislative budget to fund state and nationals competitions.

The next work session will be Tuesday, May 8, 2007, at 8:30 AM in the Superintendent's Conference Room.

The next regular meeting of the School Board will be held at 1:30 PM Tuesday, May 8, 2007, in the auditorium at 1915 South Floral Avenue, Bartow, Florida.

Attorney's Report

48. [C-52 Class Size Amendment Resolution 2006/2007 - 25](#)
Attachment: [Class Size Resolution 1 \(2\)1.doc](#)

Motions:

Recommend approval of Resolution 2006/2007-25 to adopt local standard for a level of service to support Florida's Amendment to Reduce Class Size. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Hazel Sellers
Second: Kay Fields

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

Auditor's Report

Board Members' Report

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

Minutes: Commented that through various awards programs, Superintendent's Scholars awards program last night and those recognized tonight, hundreds of students throughout the District are being recognized for doing wonderful things and achieving extraordinary honors. We have some of the finest students in the nation. Polk County offers a well-rounded education program. Congratulations to everyone in the system that makes this possible.

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

Minutes:

This time of year keeps us busy with celebrations, awards programs, concerts, and festivals all in honor of students throughout the school district. Mrs. Cunningham highlighted a few of the various events she has enjoyed attending over the past few weeks.

- Lake Wales High School presented the play "The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood"! Over 500 students in the 4th and 5th grades attended from area elementary schools...it was a wonderful opportunity for the children to attend a play and for some to be introduced to the performing arts;
- Ridge Community High School has partnered with Polk Community College to offer college courses on the high school campus. This upcoming program was

unveiled at the Haines City Chamber's Business After Hours hosted at Ridge Community High;

- The Polk Association of Charter Schools held their annual banquet honoring their Teacher of the Year and Non-Instructional Personnel of the Year. Congratulations to the Teacher of the Year, Melissa Lovizio, from Ridgeview Global Studies Academy, and to Destiny Wimberly, from Achievement Academy, as the Non-Instructional Personnel of the Year;
- McLaughlin Middle School held its' annual Celebrate McLaughlin with a spaghetti dinner, jazz band, chorus and strings performances. Students from the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades created artwork and decorated their hallways. Congratulations to all the students on their projects...they were all spectacular;
- The Superintendent's 17th Annual Honor Banquet for High Achieving Minority Seniors was wonderful. Each high school in the District was represented and students were individually recognized for their outstanding achievement;
- Frostproof Middle Senior High School held their annual Senior Projects Day. Many business and community leaders volunteered to judge the senior projects which were truly outstanding. The students research a field, intern in an area business and then present their conclusions to a team of judges. I believe each high school senior would benefit from the opportunity to do a Senior Project;
- Haines City Chamber of Commerce held its' annual luncheon to recognize and present certificates to the Teacher of the Year and the School Related Employee of the Year for each of the 14 schools in Northeast Polk County. Once again, congratulations to all these fine educators who positively impact the lives of our students each day;
- The Jewett School of the Arts' Annual Dance Concert was unforgettable. Children from grades 3-8 performed their very best to songs from all eras of music. Special congratulations to Alexa Bartels and Jasmine Johnson who were accepted to Harrison School of the Arts and to Nikki Searing and Jacklyn Massey who were accepted to the International Baccalaureate Program. Great job by all those involved.
- Berkley Charter School extended an invitation to visit their school to observe the KAGAN learning structures. It was fascinating to see how students in grades K-5 applied these structures to successfully learn math, reading, art and language arts. Mrs. Cunningham was amazed at how well the children learn and how they were able to apply higher order thinking skills throughout their classroom experience.
- The Lake Wales Chamber of Commerce held a luncheon to recognize and present certificates to students of the month, for this quarter, from each of the area schools;
- The Technology Student Association held its' 29th Annual State Conference and Competition in Orlando. The competitions are a wonderful experience for students to complete in over 100 categories such as Engineering Design, Computer Aided Drafting 2D/3D, Dragster Design, Digital Photography, Computer Applications, and Technical Writing. As a Judge, Mrs. Cunningham was amazed at how much the students know and can apply their knowledge in solving real world problems. Congratulations to all the students who entered, you are all winners;
- The Superintendent's Inaugural Fine Arts Festival was held on Lake Mirror. The displays and music were just wonderful. Mrs. Cunningham would like to see the event moved around the county and hosted by a different community each year. Lake Wales would love to host it next year on the beautiful shores of Lake Wailes;

- The Superintendent's Scholars Program was held last night to recognize high school seniors throughout Polk County. To be a Superintendent's Scholar, a student has to have achieved a weighted Grade Point Average of 3.75, and a minimum of 1270 on the SAT and/or 28 on the ACT. Congratulations to over 150 students who qualified for this prestigious honor!

Mrs. Cunningham congratulated all the students, teachers, mentors and parents who have supported their children in these activities throughout the school year. We are proud of each of our students for their accomplishments. Keep up the good work!

While all these wonderful events have been in the forefront of our lives, the community of Lake Wales has suffered a tragic loss...the life of Dr. Clint Wright. Mrs. Cunningham met Dr. Wright about three years ago and gained a tremendous amount of respect for him. He was a great man, often thought of as a mentor, a teacher, a family man, and a friend. It is with great sadness that we pay tribute to a person whose true passion was children and he always strived to make this world a better place for them. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his wife, Debra, their two daughters and the entire family. May God bless you and keep you in his loving embrace during this difficult time.

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

Minutes:

Attended a luncheon at Southeastern University where Conney Dahn, Florida's 2007 Teacher of the Year, was the guest speaker. Ms. Dahn is a high school teacher of the physically and mentally handicapped students and who firmly believes in the educational capabilities of the ESE student to become successful community members when there is will and determination.

Mrs. Sellers attended the Annual Video Production Awards program held at Victory Church in Lakeland where students once again excelled in video productions.

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

Minutes:

Attended the National School Boards Conference in California and learned more of our 'moral imperative' to provide the best education possible for our students, close the achievement gap, leave no children behind, and engage parents in different ways.

Dr. Reddout spoke of the number of people who had been touched and blessed for

knowing Clint Wright. He lived his faith and will be truly missed by all.

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

Minutes:

Spoke on the loss of Clint Wright and the impact he had on her family. Words are not enough to express the love and appreciation of Dr. Wright, but we can contribute to the scholarship fund that has been established in his honor.

Commended the Florida Southern College Transitional program where students are given the opportunity to learn life skills.

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

Minutes:

Congratulated Auburndale High School on their Senior Projects. Mr. Harris helped judge the projects this year and felt they were the best he has ever seen. The projects were outstanding and very professional. The students were extremely competent and confident.

Participated in the Superintendent's 5-K Run that supported the Gifted Program this year.

At the National School Boards Annual Conference, Mr. Harris attended a session related to senior projects where he learned that Pennsylvania has a DOE directive on a senior culminating activity.

Provided copies of the Pledge to America's School Children that was signed by our Legislators.

Mr. Harris spoke on a 503C tax deductible program called 'Adopt a Classroom'. This program allows businesses and individuals to fund teachers' classroom supplies and projects.

Distributed copies of the National School Boards Association's program and hoped that more School Board members would attend next year when it is held in Orlando.

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

Minutes:

Mrs. Lofton reported that the Senior Project programs at Auburndale High School and Frostproof Middle Senior were awesome. Our teachers give presentations in other districts and around the state on the program. The driving force behind the project is Barbara Price and the school's English Department.

Public Comments Addressing Items Not on Agenda

56. [Parent: Donna Hunt](#)

Minutes: Spoke on Loughman Oaks Elementary School and the problems she has had there with her children's teacher. She asked the Board to address communication, compassion and patience at our schools for students with ADD, ADHD, and OCD.

57. [Bill Sammons](#)

Minutes: Spoke on the legal battle he has fought to have his ESE son receive a standard diploma.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 PM. Minutes were approved and attested this _____ day of May, 2007.

Margaret A. Lofton, Chairman

Gail F. McKinzie, Ph. D., Superintendent