

11 16 2010 Work Session

New Business

1. [12:30 - 12:45 PM School Board Comments](#)

Minutes:

Mrs. Fields requested several dates for an upcoming School Board Retreat. Dates provided were February 4 and 24, 2011.

Facilitator recommendations were Larry Ross, Tom Freijo, and Bill Strouse.

Mrs. Cunningham requested that attendees be limited to the School Board, Superintendent and her immediate staff (Associate Superintendents).

Mrs. Wright asked if an executive summary will be provided prior to the retreat? Mrs. Fields reported that the Superintendent provides a summary a week to 10 days in advance. Mrs. Cunningham requested the summary include where we've been, what we've done, and what we hope to achieve.

Mr. Mullenax commented that the goals should be determined first and then, if time allows or is needed, a second date can be scheduled.

Mr. O'Reilly stated that with the knowledge of reduced funding expected for next year, he hoped the Board would look to Administration to see what can be accomplished with the costs of programs and personnel involved.

Mrs. Sellers would like to have information from staff (worse case scenario vs best case scenario) before the retreat. Meetings could be held prior to the retreat on the financial outlook and impact facing the district.

Mrs. Fields commented Board Members should provide the Superintendent with their ideas for the retreat.

Mrs. Cunningham asked when the contract extensions for Wes Bridges and Sheila Phelps

will be discussed or will they be automatically renewed in January. The contracts will be discussed at the December work session. Mr. Mullenax's concern on the time lapse between the actual evaluations (July) and the contract start dates (January) will be a part of that discussion.

Mrs. Fields questioned if it is appropriate for the School Board attorney, Wes Bridges, to continue as the district's representative on charter school issues now that he is married to Carolyn, Director of the Magnet, Choice and Charter School department. This, too, will be discussed at the December work session.

Board Agenda Review

2. [12:45 - 1:15 PM Review School Board Agenda of November 16, 2010](#)

Attachment: [11 16 10 School Board Agenda.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Item R88 - Mrs. Sellers asked for a repayment schedule once the bids and interest have been accepted.

3. [1:15 - 1:30 PM Break](#)

Discussion

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4. [1:30 - 2:00 PM 2001A COP Swap](#)

Minutes:

Mark Grey, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, Jerry Ford (Ford and Associates) and Michael Wiener (Holland and Knight) provided information on the December COP Swap. These certificates of participation require legal action through the Polk County School Board's Financial Corporation. As the need arises, School Boards have the authority to finance or refinance facilities through a not-for-profit corporation (Financial Corporation). The debts are subject to annual appropriations and are repaid through the proceeds of the capital outlay millage.

The swap with CitiGroup is at a fixed rate between now and the end of the schedule or after seven years CitiGroup has the option to cancel. Wells Fargo

Bank will hold the 2001 variable rate certificates in their entirety.

Item 5

5. [2:00 - 2:10 PM Naming the Frostproof Middle Senior School's Agriculture Building](#)

Attachment: [JSmith.pdf](#)

Attachment: [JSmith2.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Letter RE Naming of FMSHS Ag Complex 11-4-10.pdf](#)

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6. [2:10 - 2:30 PM Kindergarten Learn to Swim Report](#)

Attachment: [Kindergarten LTS 2010 Program Summary.pdf](#)

Minutes: Mrs. Wright requested that boat safety be included in future endeavors, if possible. It was a wonderful opportunity and provided safety in a very much needed area, but add boat safety if possible in the future.

Information

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

Attachment: [Women and Minority Business Enterprise Report 11-01-2010.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Copy of Women and Minority Business Enterprise Summary 7-1-10 9-30-10.pdf](#)

Minutes:

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8. [Updated Data and Analysis for Public Schools Facilities Element](#)

Attachment: [2010 Data & Analysis for Public Schools Facilities Element.pdf](#)

Adjournment

The Work Session adjourned at 2:02 PM. The minutes were approved and attested this 14th day of December, 2010.

Kay Fields, Board Chair

Sherrie B. Nickell, Ed. D, Superintendent