

MEMORANDUM

September 26, 2014

TO: Greater Florida Consortium of School Boards

FROM: Karen Brill, President

SUBJECT: **PROPOSED GFCSB 2015 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM**

Thank you to everyone who participated in our 2014 Annual Legislative Conference that was held in West Palm Beach, Florida on September 19th and 20th. Attached you will find the resulting **proposed** 2015 Legislative Program **Priority Goals** of the Greater Florida Consortium of School Boards plus a copy of **Additional Issues** that will become a separate document.

We are asking that you approve the program (both parts) as soon as possible in order to begin the process of getting legislative sponsors.

Issues cannot be revised or amended. They must be accepted or rejected. Under the Consortium bylaws, if a single board rejects an issue, that issue automatically is removed from the program. The final program will reflect those issues unanimously approved by the 11-member districts. **Please send the results of your school board's action to tomcerra@gmail.com.**

This is going to be a very important year for all of our school districts as we confront the issues before us. We have an opportunity to improve our collaboration and work better together. It is critical that we begin our efforts immediately and that we are responsive to the changing legislative environment.

Jeanne Dozier from Lee County will be chairing a committee to coordinate our efforts in Tallahassee and with our legislative delegations. I am requesting that each school board participate on this legislative planning/steering committee. You each may choose to serve on this committee or ask your school board to assign a designee. Please let me know your designee as soon as possible.

The next scheduled meeting of the GFCSB will be at the Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay on Wednesday, December 3, 2014, from 5:00-6:00 p.m. However, it is possible we may schedule some additional time during the FSBA conference, if necessary.

Thank you for your hard work. Together we ARE better!

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