

Approved in Open Board Meeting, December 9, 2014

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

November 18, 2014
Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.

MINUTES OF ORGANIZATION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

The School Board of Broward County, Florida, met in special session at 11:18 a.m., Tuesday, November 18, 2014, in the Board Room of the Kathleen C. Wright Administrative Center, 600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Present were: Chair Donna P. Korn, Vice Chair Dr. Rosalind Osgood; Members Robin Bartleman, Heather P. Brinkworth, Abby M. Freedman, Patricia Good, Laurie Rich Levinson, Ann Murray, Nora Rupert; Superintendent Robert W. Runcie; and J. Paul Carland, II., Esq.

Call to Order Presiding, Superintendent Runcie called this meeting to order. The call to order was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Close Agenda Upon motion by Mrs. Good, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, the Agenda was approved and declared closed. (9-0 vote)

Purpose of Meeting Annual Organization of the Board as required by Florida Statute 1001.362.

ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

Nomination of Chair

The Superintendent, as the Chair, asked for nominations for Chair of The School Board of Broward County, Florida.

Ms. Korn was nominated for the office of Chair by Mrs. Good and seconded by Dr. Osgood.

Close Nominations for Chair

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Dr. Osgood, to close nominations for Chair by acclimation of the Board.

Vote Following a unanimous vote, Ms. Korn was elected Chair of The School Board of Broward County, Florida for the ensuing year. (9-0 vote)

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Superintendent Runcie then turned over the gavel to Ms. Korn who assumed the Chair and conducted the remainder of this meeting.

Statement by Chair

Thanking her colleagues for their vote of confidence, Ms. Korn stated she will continue to look to her family, friends and those who have supported her through time and tribulations, and will continue to lean on them for support in the continuing path that the School Board has begun. She looked forward to working with everyone in the capacity to honor the confidence of the voters in delivering the bond program.

Ms. Korn praised Mrs. Good for the excellent job while serving as Chair for the past year, stating it was a learning curve for her sitting as Vice-Chair. She thanked the Board for their efforts in helping to ensure that Mrs. Good's tenure as Chair was very successful. On behalf of the Board, Ms. Korn presented a plaque to Mrs. Good in appreciation for her service as Chair of the School Board.

Mrs. Good stated this is a very exciting and dynamic time for this district and working as a team among such amazing women. She said that many things happen behind the scenes to make sure workshops and meetings take place in the most expedient and professional manner, and acknowledged employees for their efforts in the schools and the K.C. Wright building: Jeff Moquin, Chief of Staff, (Terry Openden); Noemi Gutierrez, Supervisor, Official School Board Records and staff; BECON; and Board Attorney Paul Carland.

Remarking that serving on the Board takes time away from families and serving as Chair is equally challenging, Mrs. Good thanked her husband Tom for his unwavering love and support, her children who are away at college; her parents who watched the Board meetings and provided input and expressed gratitude for their encouragement. She extended gratitude to Linda Torlone, Personal Assistant, stating that she is the most dedicated and caring individual that she has ever met, going above and beyond to help her every day.

Mrs. Good praised the unity and strength of the School Board and stated when there is teamwork and collaboration wonderful things can be achieved, which was demonstrated by the accomplishments of the Board and the district and what the voters of the county have placed in the hands of the Board to move forward. Mrs. Good stated with Ms. Korn's leadership she has no doubt that the district will move forward in a positive way.

Thanking Superintendent Runcie for his leadership, Mrs. Good stated that several events were held, especially with the Bond program, and it has been a real honor and privilege to be out in the community with the Superintendent serving the district.

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Mrs. Good indicated that together the Board will continue to help the children of Broward County, children from all walks of life, so they can surpass their current realities and reach their highest potential. This is the mission and vision of the School Board and the dynamic team of women of the School Board will get that accomplished.

Mrs. Bartleman thanked Mrs. Good for being an amazing Chair, leading the Board with many issues and for representing the Board at several events in the county. She congratulated Ms. Korn for being re-elected unopposed and for being selected as Chair for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Freedman thanked Mrs. Good for her commitment as Chair and representing the Board. She congratulated Ms. Korn for being selected as Chair and stated there is true meaning knowing that the Chair's signature will appear on her child's high school diploma.

Dr. Osgood thanked Mrs. Good for serving as Chair and representing the Board very well with class, dignity and poise. Congratulating Ms. Korn for being selected Chair, Dr. Osgood stated that many amazing things have occurred over the past two years and expressed faith that the Board will continue to love and support children and each other and live as examples as good citizens in leading the district forward. She said it was an honor to serve with the School Board.

Mrs. Brinkworth thanked Mrs. Good for welcoming her as a Board Member during her tenure as Chair, and thanked her colleagues for their time and effort in welcoming her as a new Board Member. She stated this made a difference in her being a better Board Member and every day she is a better Board Member by serving with her colleagues. Mrs. Brinkworth wished Ms. Korn the best of luck serving as Chair this year.

Mrs. Rupert stated it has been an honor to serve with Mrs. Good, watching her mature and grow and become a generous person. She was pleased Mrs. Good will be continuing her leadership role as President of the Greater Florida Consortium of School Boards. Mrs. Rupert said she has been a good friend to her, the ladies of the School Board and to the district's children.

Nomination of Vice Chair

Ms. Korn asked for nominations for the office of Vice Chair.

The name of Rosalind Osgood was placed in nomination for the office of Vice Chair by Mrs. Freedman and seconded by Mrs. Rich Levinson.

Close Nominations for Vice Chair

Motion was made by Mrs. Rich Levinson, seconded by Ms. Murray to close nominations for Vice Chair, by acclamation of the Board.

Vote Following a unanimous vote, Rosalind Osgood was elected Vice Chair of The School Board of Broward County, Florida for the ensuing year. (9-0 vote)

Statement by Vice Chair

Dr. Osgood said she was humbled and honored by having been chosen as Vice Chair by her colleagues.

The following individual congratulated the Chair and Vice Chair on their elections:

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A-1. Resolution 15-96, Designation of Election of Chair, Vice Chair, Meeting Dates, Names and Addresses of Members and Secretary (Adopted)

Motion was made by Ms. Murray, seconded by Mrs. Good and carried, to adopt Resolution No. 15-96, designating the election of Chair, Vice Chair, meeting dates, names, and addresses of Members and Secretary. (9-0 vote)

The adoption of this resolution is required by Florida Statutes 1001.371, Organization of Board, and Florida Statutes 1001.362, Officers chosen at general election.

There is no financial impact to the School District.

Mrs. Bartleman inquired about the scheduling of School Board meetings in relation to Jewish holidays.

Mr. Moquin indicated this issue was addressed and was taken into consideration with the meeting dates.

A-2. Resolution 15-97, Authorization of Facsimile Signatures (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Good, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to adopt Resolution No. 15-97, Authorization of Facsimile Signatures. (9-0 vote)

The adoption of this resolution is in accordance with Florida Statute 116.34, Facsimile Signatures and said resolution must be filed with the Secretary of State. A facsimile signature has the same legal effect as a manual signature.

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There is no financial impact to the School District.

No discussion was held on this item.

A-3. Resolution 15-98, Authorization of Signatures and Use of Manual, Stamped or Facsimiles (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Bartleman, seconded by Dr. Osgood, and carried, to adopt Resolution No. 15-98, Authorization of Signatures and Use of Manual, Stamped or Facsimiles. (9-0 vote)

The adoption of this resolution is required by banks used as depositories for the funds of The School Board of Broward County, Florida.

There is no financial impact to the School District.

No discussion was held on this item.

4. Appointment of School Board Representatives to Agencies/Organizations/Committees (Approved as Amended)

Motion was made by Ms. Murray, seconded by Dr. Osgood and carried, to appoint School Board representatives to agencies/organizations/committees, as listed on the Exhibit 1 and approve the changes to appointed positions recommended in Exhibit 1. (9-0 vote)

There is no financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Good stated it is important to submit the bylaws of the various committees the Board serves on to Mr. Carland and Mr. Moquin. This will be helpful for them regarding the ability of the Board to serve on the committees, or any requirements or term limits. Mrs. Good complimented staff for the package presented this year and the assistance provided by the offices of Mr. Moquin and Mr. Carland.

Upon review of the items, changes were made below, indicated in **bold**.

Broward County Arts Education Committee 2014/15 Representative(s) -

Marla Armstrong - Staff
Alternate: Nora Rupert

Broward County Children's Services Board (CSB) - Nora Rupert

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Broward County Comprehensive School Health Advisory Committee (BSHAC)

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Robin Bartleman
Alternate: TBD

Broward County Coordinating Board of Transportation Disadvantaged Services

(TBD)

Representatives: Carolyn Brownlee-Fuller (Staff);
Ruth Masters, (Staff)

Broward County Housing Council - Dr. Rosalind Osgood

Alternate: TBA

Broward County Performing Arts Center Authority (BCPACA) - Ann Murray

Alternate: TBA

Broward County Planning Council - Patricia Good

Alternate: TBA

Broward County Public Safety Coordinating Council Advisory Board -

~~TBD~~ Dr. Rosalind Osgood

Dr. Osgood offered to serve on this board.

Broward County Value Adjustment Board (VAB) - Donna P. Korn,

Alternate: Robin Bartleman

Broward Cultural Council - Heather Brinkworth,

Alternate: Patricia Good

Broward Education Foundation, Inc. (BEF) - Ann Murray

Alternate: Dr. Rosalind Osgood

Broward League of Cities - Patricia Good, Nora Rupert

Alternates: Dr. Rosalind Osgood, Donna P. Korn

Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) - Patricia Good

Alternate: TBA

Broward Regional Juvenile Detention Center Advisory Board - Ann Murray

Alternates: Abby M. Freedman, Dr. Rosalind Osgood

Children's Services Council of Broward County (CSC) - Robin Bartleman

Alternate: TBA

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Council of the Great City Schools - Laurie Rich Levinson
Alternates: All Board Members

Early Learning Coalition of Broward County, Inc. (ELC) - ~~Donna P. Korn~~
Laurie Rich Levinson
Alternate: Dr. Rosalind Osgood
Staff Representative: Nicole Mancini

Offering her position on this committee, Ms. Korn indicated she will remain passionate and connected on the coalition but someone with concentrated time should fill the seat.

Mrs. Rich Levinson volunteered to serve on this committee.

Florida School Boards Association, Inc. (FSBA) - Nora Rupert
Alternate: Ann Murray

Friends of Birch State Park, Inc. - ~~Nora Rupert~~ **Heather Brinkworth**
Alternate: TBA

Mrs. Rupert offered her representation to Mrs. Brinkworth, as it falls within District 3 and she has spoken to Ken Evans, Board of Directors, about the change.

Mrs. Brinkworth accepted and said she was happy to serve.

Greater Florida Consortium of School Boards: - Nora Rupert, Patricia Good
Alternates: All Board Members

Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance: - Laurie Rich Levinson
Alternate: Abby M. Freedman

Legal Services Committee - Abby M. Freedman, Donna P. Korn, Ann Murray
Superintendent (or his designee)

Legislative Liaison - Federal - Abby M. Freedman, Laurie Rich Levinson,
Nora Rupert, **Katherine M. Leach**
Alternates: All Board Members

Legislative Liaison - State/FSBA Legislative Liaison - Nora Rupert
Alternates: Ann Murray, Laurie Rich Levinson

Museum of Discovery and Science, Inc. (MODS) - Heather Brinkworth
Alternate: Ann Murray

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National School Boards Association (NSBA)/
Council of Urban Boards of Education (CUBE) - Nora Rupert
Alternates: All Board Members

National School Boards Association (NSBA)/
National Affiliate Advocacy Network (NAAN) - Robin Bartleman
Alternates: All Board Members

Oversight Committee - Abby Freedman, Patricia Good, Laurie Rich Levinson
(Superintendent Appointee)

Seventeenth Judicial Circuit Family Law Advisory Group (FLAG) -
Donna P. Korn
Alternate: Abby M. Freedman

Take Stock in Children Leadership Council - Laurie Rich Levinson
Alternate: Abby M. Freedman

United Way of Broward County Commission on Substance Abuse -
Dr. Rosalind Osgood
Alternate: ~~TBD~~ **Robin Bartleman**

Mrs. Bartleman indicated she would serve as the Alternate on this committee.

Ms. Korn requested that notices also be sent to Mrs. Bartleman so she can familiarize herself with the issues.

Adjournment This meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

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