

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

**May 17, 2016  
Tuesday, 10:15 a.m.**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

The School Board of Broward County, Florida, met in regular session at 10:11 a.m., Tuesday, May 17, 2016, in the Board Room of the Kathleen C. Wright Administrative Center, 600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Present were: School Board Members, Dr. Rosalind Osgood, Chair; Abby M. Freedman, Vice Chair; Robin Bartleman; Heather Brinkworth; Patricia Good; Donna P. Korn; Laurie Rich Levinson; Ann Murray; Nora Rupert; Robert W. Runcie, Superintendent of Schools; and Barbara J. Myrick, Esq.

**Call to Order** The Chair called the meeting to order. Principal Angela Fulton and students from Discovery Elementary School (appearing through video conference) led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**A Moment of Silence** was held for Ashley Hess, an Interim-Substitute at Country Isles Elementary School.

**Minutes for Approval** Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Brinkworth and carried, to approve the official minutes for the following Board Meetings: (9-0 vote)

May 3, 2016 – Special – Expulsions

**Added/Changed Items** The Superintendent requested that the Board permit the following changes to the agenda:

- **Speakers** - Withdrawn: Mayor Michael Ryan, Phil Kroyman
- **Consent Items** - Withdrawn/Revised: E-2
- **Consent Items** - Revised: J-1, L-5
- **Open Items** - Withdrawn: CC-1
- **Open Items** - Revised: EE-7, II-1
- **Open Items** - Added: LL-5

The Chair approved the changes and announced the changes to the Agenda proposed by the Superintendent were accepted by the Chair after being determined that good cause had been established for said changes.

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

### **Special Presentations**

- Recognition in Support of Imagine the Impossible STEM Academy at Western High School in Davie
- Recognition in Support of Incoming and Outgoing Student Advisors
- Recognition in Support of McArthur High Robotics Team
- Recognition in Support of Magnet Schools of America Awards
- Recognition in Support of National Foster Care Month - May 2016 (Resolution #16-81)
- Recognition in Support of District Annual Perfect Attendance
- Recognition in Support of Haitian Heritage Month and Haitian Flag Day (Resolution #16-78)

These special presentations may be viewed in their entirety at:

<http://www.browardschools.com/School-Board/Special-Presentations>

### **Reports** The following reports were presented:

- Broward County Association of Student Councils and Student Advisor to the Board - Alexandria Khan, Student Advisor
- Employee Unions/Groups - Sharon Glickman, President, Broward Teachers Union (BTU)
- Facilities Task Force - Nathalie Lynch-Walsh, Chair

These reports may be viewed in their entirety at:

<https://becon223.eduvision.tv/Default.aspx?q=d0F7qPKKlcfmtjfULqo9AQ%3d%3d>

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### **Superintendent**

Mr. Runcie gave a follow-up regarding a conversation at a previous workshop on Policy 4.9. He stated he was reconvening those original committee members and the intent would be to meet a couple times a year and have that Committee help look at continued opportunities for improving its processes and work, coming up with metrics, and engaging the Committee and stakeholders. The group convened six years ago and he believed it should continue to meet on a regular basis, provide an independent report, and some useful feedback to the District. Mr. Runcie said he was working with his assistants to organize a meeting within the next 2-3 weeks so they could better define how to work together moving forward.

### **Speakers**

Juliet Hibbs  
Lynda Olds  
Youssef Wardani  
Pamela Damelio  
Jake Damelio  
Eugene Steele  
Trudy Jermanovich  
Cathi Rush  
Joan King  
Elijah Marley

**Consent Agenda** Following identification of those items Board Members and members of the public indicated they would like considered separately, motion was made by Mrs. Good, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to approve the Consent Agenda for the remaining items (**identified by \***). (9-0 vote)

## CONSENT ITEMS

### A. RESOLUTIONS

#### **\*A-1. Resolution in Support of Honor Flight South Florida (Adopted)**

Adopted Resolution #16-102 in Support of Honor Flight South Florida.

This special presentation may be viewed in its entirety at:  
<http://www.browardschools.com/School-Board/Special-Presentations>

### B. BOARD MEMBERS

#### **B-1. Board Member's Request to Draft a Policy Regarding a Mechanism to Provide Inspector General Services (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Good, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to provide direction to the Superintendent and General Counsel to review models within other school districts to provide Inspector General oversight and draft a policy regarding a mechanism to provide such services. (9-0 vote)

Mrs. Rich Levinson brought this item forward to request direction to the Superintendent and the General Counsel to review models within other school districts to provide an Inspector General (IG) oversight and a policy regarding a mechanism to provide such services. The reason she brought this item was because there was an \$800 million bond the voters had entrusted with the Board and there had been some issues with the bond, as well as other recent events that have transpired certain contracts. A state IG was available for anyone to go to as an additional layer of oversight. Mrs. Rich Levinson felt at this point, it was important that to have local access to an IG within the District for either internal or external services. She recommended the Superintendent and General Council work together to bring back both options within a policy so it could be taken to a workshop and move the policy forward.

Ms. Myrick stated she had done a preliminary review. Dade County developed a policy awhile back to have an internal IG and they ended up choosing to contract with Miami-Dade County's IG. They have an Inter-local agreement with the County and have some staff housed at the district office. She said Palm Beach County had an IG located internally within the district.

Ms. Myrick felt it would be prudent for her and her staff, as well as the Superintendent and whomever he designated, to speak to the other counties, including Broward County, to put some numbers together and bring back to the Board with several options. Ms. Myrick explained the main difference between the IG's office and the Auditor's office was that the IG's office had (limited) subpoena power. She said they still needed to research this and work on it further to determine what would be best for the District.

Mrs. Rich Levinson commented the main reason she brought this forward was because she believed oversight, with subpoena power, was needed. She stated the Office of the Chief Auditor (OCA) did a wonderful job and the IG would not replace what it does now, but would just be an additional layer of oversight.

Mr. Runcie added that in the fall of 2014 when the structure of the General Obligation Bond (GOB) was being formed, he reached out to the Broward County IG and serving in some type of oversight role was not of interest to him at the time. Depending on what the Board decides today, he would go back and revisit those conversations.

Mrs. Rupert commended her colleague for bringing this item forward. She said both Dade and Palm Beach counties had an IG but operated in two different ways. She believed if there was a consensus and the Superintendent and General Counsel pursued this further, it would only help Broward County Public Schools (BCPS). She was very supportive of this item and would be voting yes.

Mrs. Good thought this was good and felt the District was at a point where it was moving forward with the bond and it would only be prudent to review the options being considered. She stated what she was looking for was the business oversight and cost controls and hoped some of that information would be provided by staff to bring before the Board. She indicated she was leaning more towards an internal IG and also believed it would only help the District with the oversight of costs and to move forward in an appropriate way. Mrs. Good said the OCA has done the best it could with the limitations it had. She looked forward to receiving the information and expressed her support for this item.

Mrs. Brinkworth also supported this item. She commented that she would like to see this come back to the Board sooner than later. In addition, she suggested a direct report to the School Board in the reporting structure, and that all available options should be reviewed.

Ms. Korn thanked her colleague for bringing this forward and stated she would be supporting it as well.

Mrs. Bartleman thought this was a great item. She believed an extra set of eyes were needed to oversee the operations of the District. It would add an additional layer of accountability, which was prudent and proactive. She felt having an IG would ensure the \$800 million was spent effectively and business processes would be efficient. As far as the cost involved, she said this was well worth whatever the cost and the District should not be penny-wise pound-foolish. Mrs. Bartleman also wanted to see the Auditor report to the School Board and was something she had wanted to do for many years. She suggested that it be considered again as an option in the Organizational Chart. She looked forward to seeing the two different models and which model would work best for Broward County.

Ms. Murray referred back to 2011 at the Grand Jury recommendation to consider an IG and stated the price was \$250,000 at the time. She commented that the Auditor's team had done a great job, but did not have enough employees due to cuts previously made. If the Board decided to move forward with an IG, she would want the OCA to report to the Board. She wanted to ensure whatever was done, was done effectively but with caution. Ms. Murray believed the IG should be internal and that the language provides a clear understanding of the roles and responsibilities of the IG. Based on that, she would support the item.

Dr. Osgood commented that whatever was brought back was thorough and included discussing how to move forward with clear guidance to the committees. If anything should change with those committees by doing this, it should be part of the discussion. She stated if the Board should make this decision, it would need to look at how that would impact the committees and how to salvage the community piece, as well as having another layer of oversight. She agreed all options needed to be reviewed. Dr. Osgood suggested looking at the involvement of outside entities, such as the police department or the State Attorney's office. She was excited to explore this further and give oversight to various departments.

Ms. Myrick said she hoped to bring this back to a workshop after the July break.

Ms. Murray suggested that the General Counsel look into the language that state legislators strengthened for contracts and vendors conducting business with governmental agencies.

Mrs. Good also asked the General Counsel to look into the language that municipalities have in their contracts that provides a fee that would be applied to the cost of an IG. She believed the language was being placed in the contracts on the chance if something required further review, it had some fees associated with it.

Mrs. Bartleman wanted this item to include all business operations and not just the bond and facilities. She agreed with her colleague to look at other outside agencies to help and hoped it would be used across the District. She felt there was support for the straight line for the Auditor to report directly to the School Board and would like the Superintendent to consider filling in that line when the Organizational Chart was brought forward again.

Mr. Runcie responded the Organizational Chart could be modified at any time; however, he felt it would be redundant to have both the IG and Auditor performing essentially the same job. It was something that could be discussed at the workshop.

Mrs. Rich Levinson stated that was the reason she worded the item this way, so a policy would be drafted to look at the different options for the Board to discuss. She said there had to be something to start with in order to discuss it.

The Chair received input from the audience on this item.

Mr. Runcie said a benefit in having an IG would enable them to receive facts around a lot of issues that tend to get sensationalized and in many ways, are not correct. It was mentioned several times today that the District misappropriated \$23-\$24 million in funds, which was absolutely not correct in relation to the Title I funds. He indicated he was on the phone yesterday with the state and the District was not paying back to the government \$23-\$24 million in any funds. He also said he was committed to working with the COA on a review regarding the funds to the Police department and would show a full accounting for it at the end of the month. He said there needed to be some fact-based conversations and he would welcome an IG that could at least be able to get to that point.

Mrs. Rich Levinson wanted to clarify on the timeline and that it would be brought back in the fall.

Mrs. Rupert asked if the work that the Auditor put in a couple years ago would also be referenced.

Ms. Myrick replied if the Auditor had information, she would be glad to bring it to the Board.

A vote was taken on this item.

## **E. OFFICE OF STRATEGY & OPERATIONS**

### **E-1. Pre-Qualification of Contractors - Superintendent's Recommendations Regarding Pre-Qualification Certification (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to approve the recommendation by the Superintendent indicated in the Superintendent Recommendations - Tracking Report. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Mrs. Rupert suggested that staff add a comparison to last year's section to show continuous improvement on the Reporting Period page. On the Outreach Events Report page, she requested staff add a Results column to show which events were pulling in the most applications and approvals.

Mary Coker, Director, Procurement & Warehousing Services, stated they were in the process of redefining what the report would look like to ensure they could demonstrate the progression as it takes place based on the outreach for each of the events. In addition, they were redefining the information provided from attendees at the events. She would provide a draft of the report to the Board for their review and feedback.

A vote was taken on this item.

## **F. OFFICE OF ACADEMICS**

## **G. OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES**

### **G-1. Personnel Recommendations for Instructional Appointments and Leaves for 2015-2016 School Year (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to approve the personnel recommendations for the 2015-2016 appointments and leaves as listed in the attached Executive Summary and respective lists for instructional staff. All recommendations are made with the understanding that these individuals will comply with regulations/policies as set forth by the Florida Department of Education and The School Board of Broward County, Florida. Ms. Murray was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

The Chair received input from the audience on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.

**G-2. Personnel Recommendations for Instructional Separation of Employment or Discipline for the 2015-2016 School Year (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to approve the personnel recommendations for separation of employment or discipline as listed in the attached respective lists for instructional staff. All recommendations are made with the understanding that these individuals will comply with regulations/policies as set forth by the Florida Department of Education and The School Board of Broward County, Florida. (9-0 vote)

Mrs. Bartleman thanked the Superintendent for putting together the Policy 4.9 Committee, which would occur in the next two weeks. She asked what checks and balances had been put in place to address the concerns of compliance.

Craig Nichols, Chief Human Resources & Equity Officer, replied the Policy 4.9 Committee would be reformed and they intended to have all stakeholders involved. There was an initial meeting last week to discuss how to ensure the Committee was where it should be. He said the big part was the process changes but as it read today, they were working diligently to comply with Policy 4.9.

Mr. Runcie requested when the Chief of Police was hired, that he/she would be part of the Committee.

Mrs. Bartleman wanted to ensure every employee would be notified of their rights in writing and receive due process.

Mrs. Good appreciated the effort of those involved and in order to move forward, time would be needed to accomplish getting the issues addressed.

Mrs. Brinkworth stated when conversations begin on Policy 4.9, they needed to be very deliberate about what the intent of the Board was in the policy and that it not be left up to a wide variety of interpretations.

Mr. Runcie agreed and believed the intent was clear that all employees would be treated fairly and provide them every opportunity to maintain their integrity and status in the organization, regardless if there were accusations or not. He felt by re-engaging the group it would help ensure the intent was maintained around a policy, which becomes part of the culture in how work was done in a department. He has spoken to staff and they will work to ensure all of that happens.

The Chair received input from the audience on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.



**G-3. Personnel Recommendations for Non-Instructional Appointments and Leaves for the 2015-2016 School Year (Approved)**

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to approve the personnel recommendations for appointments and reassignments as listed on the attached Executive Summary, respective lists and individual appointments for Non-Instructional Employees. All recommendations are made pending security clearance and with the understanding that these individuals will comply with regulations/policies as set forth by the Florida Department of Education and The School Board of Broward County, Florida. (9-0 vote)

Ms. Korn referred to the recommended salary for the Senior Process Analyst and inquired why the pay was lower than the current salary for someone who had a doctorate degree and more years of experience versus the Manager, Contract Administration, who only had a master's degree and kept their same salary, which was higher and at the top of the pay scale.

Eric Chisem, Director, Talent Acquisition & Operations, replied the employee that applied for the Manager, Contract Administration position took a lateral transfer based on the pay band. When the employee applied, the salary band was the same, so there was no increase for his current salary. In regards to the employee that applied for the Senior Process Analyst position whose previous salary was higher, the new position was not equivalent and only went up to \$116,000. An analysis for the salary showed an average of \$109,000 and it was negotiated and the salary agreement was accepted by the employee for \$105,000 in the "C" pay band. If the employee moved from a pay band "C" to a "D," she would have received a 5%-10% pay increase.

Mrs. Rupert questioned if any consideration was given to an employee's years of experience who had worked with the District.

Mr. Chisem said it did play a huge role. When they hire and recruit, they look for employees with the talent. There would be a period where they negotiate the salary and what was being offered as well. The Senior Process Analyst position was a pay band "C" and the internal analysis showed that job was \$90,000 so the employee was able to make more because of her experience.

Following a vote on this item, newly-appointed District personnel were recognized and congratulated by the Board.

**G-4. Personnel Recommendations for Non-Instructional Separation of Employment and Discipline for the 2015-2016 School Year (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to approve the personnel recommendations for separation of employment and discipline as listed on the attached respective lists for Non-Instructional staff. All recommendations are made with the understanding that these individuals will comply with regulations/policies as set forth by the Florida Department of Education and The School Board of Broward County, Florida. Mrs. Freedman, Mrs. Good, and Mrs. Rich Levinson were absent for the vote. (6-0 vote)

The Chair received input from the audience on this item.

Mrs. Rupert asked the General Counsel to explain the grievance process to those who spoke from the audience.

A vote was taken on this item.

**G-5. Supplemental Pay Positions 18 (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to approve the recommended supplemental pay positions of employees for the 2015/2016 school/fiscal year. Mrs. Freedman, Mrs. Good, Mrs. Rich Levinson, and Ms. Murray were absent for the vote. (5-0 vote)

No discussion was held on this item.

The Chair received input from the audience on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.

**H. OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL**

**I. OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**\*I-1. New Waiver for 2016-2017 (Approved)**

Approved a new waiver for Hallandale High School for the 2016-2017 school year.

## **J. OFFICE OF FACILITIES & CONSTRUCTION**

### **J-1. Reject Proposals for RFQ 16-093F Professional Design Services for Oakridge Elementary School, Pompano Beach Middle School, and Pompano Beach Elementary School (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rich Levinson, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to approve the rejection of all proposals for RFQ 16-093F seeking Design Services for Oakridge Elementary School, Pompano Beach Middle School, and Pompano Beach Elementary School. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

No discussion was held on this item.

The Chair received input from the audience on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.

### **\*J-2. Withdrawal and Termination of RFQ 16-102F, Professional Design Services for Miramar Elementary, Sea Castle Elementary, Annabel C. Perry Elementary, Eagle Ridge Elementary, Tamarac Elementary, and Ramblewood Elementary Schools (Approved)**

Approved the Withdrawal and Termination of RFQ 16-102F which seeks Professional Design Services for multiple school projects including Miramar Elementary, Sea Castle Elementary, Annabel C. Perry Elementary, Eagle Ridge Elementary, Tamarac Elementary, and Ramblewood Elementary Schools.

### **\*J-3. RFQ 16-173C Professional Design Services for Oakridge Elementary School (Approved)**

Approved Authorization to Advertise RFQ 16-173C Professional Design Services for Oakridge Elementary School; Approve the RFQ Form; and Authorize the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) Form.

### **\*J-4. RFQ 16-175C Professional Design Services for Pompano Beach Middle School (Approved)**

Approved Authorization to Advertise RFQ 16-175C Professional Design Services for Pompano Beach Middle School; Approve the RFQ Form; and Authorize the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) Form.

### **\*J-5. RFQ 16-174C Professional Design Services for Pompano Beach Elementary School (Approved)**

Approved Authorization to Advertise RFQ 16-174C Professional Design Services for Pompano Beach Elementary School; Approve the RFQ Form; and Authorize the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) Form.

**\*J-6. RFQ16-172C Professional Design Services for Miramar Elementary School (Approved)**

Approved Authorization to Advertise RFQ 16-172C Professional Design Services for Miramar Elementary School; Approve the RFQ Form; and Authorize the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) Form.

**\*J-7. RFQ 16-177C Professional Design Services for Sea Castle Elementary School (Approved)**

Approved Authorization to Advertise RFQ 16-177C Professional Design Services for Sea Castle Elementary School; Approve the RFQ Form; and Authorize the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) Form.

**\*J-8. RFQ 16-170C Professional Design Services for Annabel C. Perry Elementary School (Approved)**

Approved Authorization to Advertise RFQ 16-170C Professional Design Services for Annabel C. Perry Elementary School; Approve the RFQ Form; and Authorize the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) Form.

**\*J-9. RFQ 16-171C Professional Design Services for Eagle Ridge Elementary School (Approved)**

Approved Authorization to Advertise RFQ 16-171C Professional Design Services for Eagle Ridge Elementary School; Approve the RFQ Form; and Authorize the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) Form.

**\*J-10. RFQ 16-178C Professional Design Services for Tamarac Elementary School (Approved)**

Approved Authorization to Advertise RFQ 16-178C Professional Design Services for Tamarac Elementary School; Approve the RFQ Form; and Authorize the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) Form.

**\*J-11. RFQ 16-176C Professional Design Services for Ramblewood Elementary School (Approved)**

Approved Authorization to Advertise RFQ 16-176C Professional Design Services for Ramblewood Elementary School; Approve the RFQ Form; and Authorize the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) Form.

**K. OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

**K-1. General Fund Amendment as of February 29, 2016 (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to approve the attached General Fund Amendment as of February 29, 2016. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Mrs. Brinkworth referred to page 5 and asked if there was a minimum requirement for the Workforce District Reserve.

Oleg Gorokhovskiy, Director, Budget, replied no.

The Chair received input from the audience on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.

**K-2. Special Revenue (Grants) Amendment as of February 29, 2016 (Approved)**

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to approve the attached Special Revenue (Grants) Amendment as of February 29, 2016.

Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Mrs. Brinkworth congratulated the Grants department and staff for increasing the grant to \$3.2 million.

Mrs. Rich Levinson referred to page 3 regarding Title I and asked staff to explain what the funds would be used for, the consultants in particular.

Luwando Wright-Hines, Director, Title I, Migrant & Special Programs, replied the consultant piece was tied to the HERO Behavior program initiative, as well as Reservists, which were part-time consultants that went into schools to assist with attendance.

Mrs. Rich Levinson requested staff provide some follow-up on this item as how much was being spent on consultants.

A vote was taken on this item.

**K-3. Interim Financial Statements for the Period Ended February 29, 2016  
(Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to approve the Interim Financial Statements for the Period Ended February 29, 2016.

Mrs. Bartleman and Mrs. Good were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

Ms. Korn referred to page 2 and inquired how money was coming in for Food Sales under Revenue when the spend was the same under Expenditures.

Jeffrey Moquin, Chief of Staff, replied it varied depending on when the report was pulled and how many days of service/school they had during that time. On the Expenditure side, they may have already had the inventory in terms of purchasing the supplies and such to deliver on those services, but did not have the benefit of the revenue yet.

Maurice Woods, Chief Strategy & Operations Officer, said he believed there was a timing issue involved, but would look into this matter and respond back to the Board.

Ms. Korn noted on the same page, under Other Financing Resources (F), and stated this was for its police and was a benefit to the District.

Benjamin Leong, Chief Financial Officer, responded this was a refinancing and the \$65 million would continue to show in the future. The recent savings was approximately \$24 million.

Ms. Korn asked where in the District it could benefit from that savings.

Mr. Leong replied that savings was over a 16-year period. Essentially it was a savings from the debt service and when that occurs, the savings is placed into the Reserves.

Ms. Korn said there was a difference in Excess of Revenues between February 2015 and February 2016 of \$37 million instead of \$30 million. She inquired if this was more than anticipated year over year.

Erum Motiwala, Director, Accounting & Financial Reporting, said it was because of the Capital Project Fund.

Mr. Leong added they were required to follow this format by the Department of Education. He said it was a little confusing having all reports in one (Capital, General Fund, Special Revenue Fund, etc.).

Ms. Korn indicated the reason she was asking was to see if there were one-time dollars that could benefit the District since the end of the fiscal year would be approaching soon. In referencing page 3, letter K, Ms. Korn questioned if staff heard anything on the status of the \$2.9 million that was supposed to be coming in.

Ms. Motiwala replied that it usually came in at the end of May so they should be receiving it soon.

Ms. Korn referenced Revenues, Local Sources, and asked where the Driver's Education funds were reflected.

Ms. Motiwala said it was in Other, under Local Sources.

Ms. Korn expressed her concern that this department needed funds that were not there.

Mr. Gorokhovsky responded they were in contact with the Academics department. There was a concern regarding how much money they would be receiving this year and it was determined the pattern for funds had been less and less each year.

Mr. Runcie requested staff to put the information together and he would call the County Administrators tomorrow to alert them that there was an issue and nothing had been received yet.

Mr. Gorokhovsky said they budgeted what the program would spend this year so there would not be a deficit for that program this year; however, there was a concern they may not receive full amount.

Ms. Korn wanted to know if the line item for Instructional & Staff Training, on page 4 under Expenditures, were monthly payments.

Mr. Gorokhovsky replied that it was for training during the summer and that amount would be depleted starting in June.

On page 6, (B)(2) under Total Liabilities, Ms. Korn inquired what were the self-insured risks mentioned.

Ms. Motiwala responded it was related to the health insurance.

Ms. Korn stated it was listed under Liabilities but was described as a \$10 million decrease. She asked if that meant the District was in a better position or worse position.

Mr. Gorokhovsky replied it should say the \$10 million would be paid in the months to follow for health insurance. In other words, when the bill comes, it would be passed on to the vendor. He said they would work on the explanation to make it more clear.

Ms. Korn clarified the liability stated there was an overall increase of \$16 million, which was a result of a \$34.9 million increase in deferred revenue per Ad Valorem Tax, Florida Education Finance, and Class Size Reduction, minus a \$10 million decrease for the estimated liability for self-insured risks, minus \$8.2 million for liabilities other than deferred revenue/self-insured risks. She felt the District was doing better as self-insured than originally thought. The way it was shown as a potential \$10 million savings did not coincide with the talk of liabilities going up.

Mrs. Rich Levinson stated the expenditures for transportation were down \$2 million from February and she wanted to know if going to end the year that way.

Mr. Woods responded yes, it should be favorable based on fuel and labor costs by managing routes. He said they would be conducting a Board walk-around with the Transportation team before the end of the month to include financial updates.

Mrs. Rich Levinson would also like to see what happened from the purchase of the GPS and the savings realized from that expenditure.

A vote was taken on this item.

**K-4. Amendment to incorporate Board approved changes to the District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Year 2016. (Approved)**

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to amend the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan, Fiscal Year 2016 to incorporate items that have been approved by the Board since the September 8, 2015 adoption. Mrs. Bartleman and Mrs. Good were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

Ms. Korn appreciated the redlines and requested one other change within the projects/ scopes, which was to show any updates/ changes in red as a true redline.

Mrs. Rich Levinson thanked staff for making this item easy to read; however, she had concerns adding up the numbers. The original with the Carryover and Year 1 versus the actual showed the expenditures were over by 10.6% with the contingencies included. The numbers were not even when inflation hit and the projects were over by 10.6%. She wanted to know if there was an explanation for every project, with the exception of two, being over its projection by \$900,000.

Leo Bobadilla, Chief Facilities Officer, responded he would like the opportunity to research these again; however, he understood some were attributed to change orders and others due to higher budgets.

Mrs. Rich Levinson stated her concern was these were not all renovations, but rather good projects. To be over the amount before any renovations were done, where the unforeseen circumstances would arise, she was trying to get a handle on where everything was moving budget-wise.

Mr. Bobadilla agreed that she had a right to be concerned. As they move forward they would have the impact from the market to address, as well as any impact from unforeseen conditions with the renovation projects. That was why they came back with the recommendation so they would be able to address things that exceeded those change orders/ inflation dollars embedded with each of the projects. It is something that they would have to continue to monitor.



Mrs. Rich Levinson commented some of the projects were straight-forward projects and still ended up over projection. It needed to be looked at because as items are brought to the Board that the communities wanted reviewed, she wanted to ensure there was enough to finish the projects that had already been committed to by the District.

Mr. Bobadilla said this was happening in a lot of school districts around the country right now with straight-forward projects. He indicated that it remained their commitment to deliver on the promises to the communities and address any issues along the way.

Mrs. Rupert inquired if inflationary costs were the same as soft costs.

Mr. Bobadilla replied no, inflationary costs could be a component of soft costs depending on how they were grouped, but soft costs included many more components.

Mrs. Rupert stated some of the previous contracts that staff brought forward, mentioned soft costs, in which staff stated it represented about 3%.

Mr. Bobadilla responded that percentage was probably related to inflation. For soft costs it would depend on the project and scope involved. Soft costs typically include any testing that had to be done on a project, as well as design/ contingency fees, specialized services, experts, and such.

Robert Corbin, Project Director/ Vice President, said the range for soft costs was 25-35% depending upon the magnitude of the project.

Heather Brinkworth asked if the soft costs for AT&T improvements and the fire system that have come back with greater costs, were those soft costs originally included or were they contributing to the overage.

Mr. Bobadilla replied typically the projects were developed where they were turn-key, meaning, all the costs were included within each line item because there would not be any other line items to capture soft costs.

A vote was taken on this item.

## **L. OFFICE OF PORTFOLIO SERVICES**

**\*L-1. First Amendment to Charter School Agreement with DENOVO, Inc.,  
on behalf of Ascend Career Academy - 5209 (Approved)**

Approved the First Amendment to the Charter School Agreement with DENOVO, Inc., on behalf of Ascend Career Academy - 5209.

**\*L-2. Second Amendment to Charter School Agreement with The National Ben Gamla Charter School Foundation, Inc. (Approved)**

Approved the Second Amendment to the Charter School Agreement with The National Ben Gamla Charter School Foundation, Inc., on behalf of Ben Gamla Charter School South Broward - 5392 and Ben Gamla Charter School Hallandale - 5025.

**\*L-3. Second Amendment to Charter School Agreement with The National Ben Gamla Charter School Foundation, Inc. on behalf of Ben Gamla (Approved)**

Approved the Second Amendment to the Charter School Agreement with The National Ben Gamla Charter School Foundation, Inc., on behalf of Ben Gamla Preparatory Charter High School 5182 and Ben Gamla Charter High School 5005.

**\*L-4. Second Amendment to Charter School Agreement with The Learning Excellence Foundation of West Broward County, Inc. (Approved)**

Approved the Second Amendment to the Charter School Agreement with The Learning Excellence Foundation of West Broward County, Inc., on behalf of Imagine Charter School at Weston - 5111.

**\*L-5. Reciprocal Use Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida and the City of Lauderhill (Approved)**

Approved the Reciprocal Use Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida and the City of Lauderhill.

**OPEN ITEMS**

**AA. RESOLUTIONS**

**BB. BOARD MEMBERS**

**CC. BOARD POLICIES**

**CC-1. Proposed Revised Job Description for the Project Manager, Occupational Health/Environmental Control Position (Withdrawn)**

**CC-2. Proposed New Job Description for the District Translator Position (Adopted)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to adopt the new job description for the District Translator position. This is the final reading. Mrs. Freedman, Mrs. Good, Mrs. Rich Levinson, and Ms. Murray were absent for the vote. (5-0 vote)

No discussion was held on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.

## **DD. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF AUDITOR**

### **DD-1. Internal Audit Report - Audit of the Internal Funds of Selected Schools (Received)**

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Brinkworth and carried, to receive Internal Audit Report - Audit of the Internal Funds of Selected Schools. Mrs. Freedman, Mrs. Good, Mrs. Rich Levinson, and Ms. Murray were absent for the vote. (5-0 vote)

Agenda Items DD-1 and DD-2 were moved and discussed concurrently.

Mrs. Rupert referred to DD-2, page 14, where the Charter School felt there was a discrepancy in the language and asked staff if it had been looked into to determine if any clarification needed to be made.

Patrick Reilly, Chief Auditor, replied they were reviewing it and there were some items that could have changes made for clarification.

Mrs. Brinkworth also referred to DD-2, page 6, and inquired how there could be an OCA verified and accounted for device that was not listed as received by the entity.

Mr. Reilly responded they worked off the list of available items first and then went to see what they physically had at their school. The report had not been updated as reflected in the footnote.

A vote was taken on these items.

### **DD-2. Internal Property Audit Report - Property and Inventory Audits of Selected Locations 2015-2016 (Received)**

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Brinkworth and carried, to receive Internal Property Audit Report - Property and Inventory Audits of Selected Locations 2015-2016. Mrs. Freedman, Mrs. Good, Mrs. Rich Levinson, and Ms. Murray were absent for the vote. (5-0 vote)

Agenda Items DD-1 and DD-2 were moved and discussed concurrently.

A vote was taken on these items.

**DD-3. Auditor General - Broward County District School Board - Financial, Operational and Federal Single Audit for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015  
(Received)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to receive State of Florida - Auditor General - Broward County District School Board - Financial, Operational and Federal Single Audit for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Mrs. Rupert referred to page 9/119, under Management Response from the Title I Migrant and Special Programs Department, and inquired if the Public School Eligibility Survey (PSES) was already being done in the District.

Mr. Reilly replied yes, and asked the staff from Title I to elaborate more.

Ms. Hines added that they have ensured all public schools had been served in rank order for the PSES.

Mrs. Rupert questioned if it was already being done and if there was a finding for it, would that mean it will be done with more fidelity.

Ms. Hines answered yes it would be done with more fidelity. She said they would not only do it with more fidelity, but it would also be reflected in the Systems, Applications & Products (SAP) system as well.

Mrs. Rupert asked if each school was also being served and ranked by a poverty percentage. She inquired if it would also be done with fidelity and how would staff ensure it was done.

Ms. Hines indicated the fidelity would be done through re-trainings, memorandums, orientation with guidance from Florida DOE, and ensuring they reflect in their accounting system the actual allocation was given to schools by way of the PSES.

Mrs. Bartleman questioned the findings in which staff disagreed.

Mr. Reilly responded there were some issues related to the Charter schools and the Virtual school operations for a total of six (6). He said the District was complying with statute; however, they would take additional steps to enhance what was already required and being practiced.

Mrs. Bartleman wanted to ensure the District was covered and there was a checks and balance system in place.

Mr. Reilly replied in the affirmative.

Mrs. Bartleman inquired how often an overtime audit was conducted in the District and what were the checks and balances for overtime and overpayments.

Mr. Reilly stated they conduct multiple audits and take a sample of current activity for the month to ensure compliance of proper reporting. They often make recommendations in the form of discussion items when there were one or two problems. Sometimes the issue was just a matter of recordkeeping. He said they have also conducted supplemental audits, which would also be added to this year's Audit Plan. A major overtime report was conducted for the Design services. Both the Auditor General and the external auditor, McGladrey, reviewed the audit reports.

Mrs. Bartleman commented that the SAP system does not have the ability to kick out a person with a disproportionate amount of overtime.

Mr. Reilly responded there was a requirement that each location had to print an overtime report for review, so the administrator, principal, or supervisor must sign-off for every single payroll period. The first step would be the person responsible for their budget. His office also reviews the quarterly reports.

Mrs. Bartleman stated there would be a discussion about Broward Education Foundation (BEF) and employee salaries as mentioned in Finding #1.

Mr. Reilly replied that BEF was retaining the services of an attorney to review that because they disagreed. He said his office would review as well, but it was a legal issue now.

Mrs. Bartleman requested staff to research when the capital item was approved and whether it was before or after this report was received. She asked to provide the date of the item and the date staff received the report.

Mr. Reilly said this report was received March 3, 2016.

Mrs. Bartleman had additional information on Title I budget that she had forwarded to staff and asked staff to forward that to the Board as requested by the Chair.

Mrs. Rich Levinson commented that 6 of the 12 findings were repeat findings. She questioned why 50% of items were from 2010 and 2013 and wanted to know why added controls were not being placed, to which there were repeat findings.

Mr. Runcie replied he would get with staff and present a memorandum.

Mrs. Rich Levinson did not understand the purpose of an audit if corrective actions were not being taken. She said the findings were #3, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11. Her next question was whether or not there was a Virtual Instruction policy. She stated with all the virtual education taking place in the District, a policy for Virtual Instruction was needed. She requested that staff start working on such a policy.

Daniel Gohl, Chief Academics Officer, said they had a policy for distance learning that covers most of that but responded he would work on the language with appropriate staff to bring it forward.

Mrs. Rich Levinson referred to Finding #12 regarding security controls and asked if the single sign-on would take care of it.

Tony Hunter, Chief Information Officer, replied it would only take care of part of it; however, it was being addressed.

Mrs. Rich Levinson inquired if there was a per pupil base allocation for Title I.

Mr. Gohl responded yes, based on the total allocation, the District receives a certain number of students that are identified and are qualified to receive Free and Reduced Lunch (FRL) meals. There are two different allocations for FRL based on range: 75%-100% is \$344 per student and 50%-75% is \$255 per student. The money follows the child. The intent is to mitigate for poverty. The District cannot supplant but must supplement.

Mrs. Brinkworth wanted to know what was being done to ensure the findings were being addressed and suggested anytime the finding(s) referred to a policy that needed tightening up, that it be brought to the Board. She wanted to be sure repeat findings were addressed so they would not show up in future audits.

Dr. Osgood referred to Finding #3, on page 114 under Management Response from the Treasurer's Office and asked who was responsible for the function of overtime/payroll in the schools.

Mr. Reilly replied the principals were responsible for the entire payroll of the school. He said there was usually an assigned payroll person to enter the data and procedures were in place to identify any problems. Documentation was required for any overtime. They have moved to a better system with Kronos.

Dr. Osgood questioned what the process would be for the bus terminals.

Mr. Reilly responded they had the Kronos system, which was the tighter control. It was also being used at the police department, schools, transportation, and technical colleges.

Dr. Osgood asked who received the quarterly reports.

Mr. Reilly said the Chief Financial Officer, as well as other payroll staff.

Dr. Osgood was in agreement with her colleague regarding the Virtual Instruction policy and would like to have a workshop scheduled to discuss it.

Mrs. Rich Levinson inquired as to when the Board could expect to receive follow-up about added controls being in place regarding overtime and paying employees that were no longer with the District.

Mr. Runcie replied he expected to have written, developed procedures, processes, and accountability from staff by the end of June and would bring it to the Board at that time.

Mrs. Rupert wanted to give credit to staff for the responses. She felt they were much better as opposed to being very rote in the past. She appreciated it and encouraged staff to fine-tune that process.

Mrs. Bartleman stated she received her answer regarding the date for the capital item, which was before February 2016.

Ms. Korn asked staff to clarify Finding #4, where it sounded as though there was a remedy and wanted to know what would be done differently moving forward than in the past in order to avoid some of these oversights.

Dilda Martin-Ogburn said they did respond to the audit and there were not 34 employees that were terminated from the District and earning a salary. The way it was stated was inaccurate. Being self-insured, the District does not pay premiums. She said an administrative fee was paid for each employee per month. Each Monday morning when the payroll runs, they look for zero (\$0) net checks. When an employee has two pay periods, back-to-back, their benefits are stopped so there is never an instance where administrative fees were being paid for employees who have withdrawn from the District. She explained the SAP system had many components, so in one screen it may show someone still active because the school or department location had not entered the proper action to terminate that employee.

Dr. Ogburn assured the Board at no time had the District paid administrative fees for employees that it should not have been paying. She said the District did not pay for the six (6) that were deceased. One of the six (6) employees that had a 2-year lapse in time, did fall through the crack because the record was not closed, but from the Benefit record that employee did not have administrative fees paid for them. Dr. Ogburn stated the statement was inaccurate because the time when the employee left the District and when the record was closed were two different things.

Ms. Korn asked what was the accurate number.

Dr. Ogburn replied that none of the 34 people listed had administrative fees paid for by the District beyond their allotted time.

Ms. Korn questioned why staff concurred with expanding the current process if it seemed to be perfect.

Dr. Ogburn responded that it was only a recommendation and there were always improvements that could be made.

Mr. Runcie added the quality of responses were not good in many cases and could have been better, which would have avoided some of the confusion. Staff tried to work through some of the things with the auditors, but it was not reflected in the final piece that was published. He indicated more comprehensive, in-depth, detailed responses needed to be created to these audit findings and it would resolve a lot of the concerns.

The Chair received input from the audience on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.

**DD-4. External Audit Report - Current Status of the Implementation of Findings and Recommendations Identified in the January 2011 Grand Jury Report - January 2016** (Received)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to receive External Audit Report - Current Status of the Implementation of Findings and Recommendations Identified in the January 2011 Grand Jury Report - January 2016. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

No discussion was held on this item.

The Chair received input from the audience on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.



## EE. OFFICE OF STRATEGY & OPERATIONS

### EE-1. Grant Applications - Post-Submission

(Approved)

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried to approve the submission of the following grant applications (Items A - N):  
A. Aetna Foundation, \$300 (awarded) B. Broward County Mental Health Counseling Services Grant, \$500,000 (requested) C. Dollar General, \$4,000 (requested) D. Exxon Mobil Education Alliance - Indian Ridge..., \$500 (awarded) E. Exxon Mobil Education Alliance - Lyons Creek..., \$500 (awarded) F. Exxon Mobil Education Alliance - Peters..., \$500 (awarded) G. Florida Association of Science Teachers, Inc., \$1,500 (awarded) H. Florida Diagnostic & Learning Resources System (FDLRS), \$1,421,255 (requested) I. Florida Farm Bureau Agriculture in the Classroom Mini-Grants, \$250 (awarded) J. Florida Department of Agriculture: Golden Shovel Award, \$0 (award package requested) K. Jobs for Florida's Graduates, \$80,000 (awarded) L. Laura Bush Foundation for American Libraries, \$7,000 (requested) M. Society for Science & the Public - Advocate Grant, \$3,000 (requested) N. Voya Unsung Heroes Awards Program, \$25,000 (requested).  
Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Agenda Items EE-1 and EE-2 were moved and discussed concurrently.

Mrs. Rupert referred to EE-1 and congratulated Lyons Creek Middle School for the Exxon Mobil Education Alliance grant that they were awarded. In addition, she congratulated the Office of Portfolio Services for a \$12 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education Magnet Schools Assistance Program.

Mrs. Brinkworth referred to EE-2, page 2 of 3, in the Project Description where it stated, "...high school students would have four days of instruction with the fifth day providing business/industry experiences and internships..." and asked if this was for select students within the school.

Leona Miracola, Director, Innovative Programs/Design Support, replied it would support all students at the four (4) schools. She said yes, it would just be for a select group of students; however, there would be opportunities for some students to participate in internships and mentorships, every student would have an opportunity to participate in this program.

A vote was taken on these items.

**EE-2. Grant Applications - Pre-Submission**

**(Approved)**

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried to approve the submission of the following grant applications (A - B): **A.** Florida Department of Education Carl D. Perkins..., \$128,800 (to be requested) **B.** U.S. Department of Education Magnet Schools Assistance Program, \$12,000,000 (to be requested). Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Agenda Items EE-1 and EE-2 were moved and discussed concurrently.

A vote was taken on these items.

**EE-3. Transportation Agreements for Cities and Non-Profit Organization Recreation Programs (POSTPONED 05/03/16 RSBM) (Not Approved)**

**MEMO TO VOTE DOWN**

Motion made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried to approve agreements between The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and the City of Coral Springs, City of Lauderdale Lakes and the non-profit organization of New Horizon Community Development Corporation, Inc., to provide school bus transportation for recreational programs for the period of one year. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (0-8 vote).

No discussion was held on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.

**EE-4. 2016 Opening and Closing School Times (Summer Term) (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to approve the revised 2016 Opening and Closing School Times (Summer Term) for North Lauderdale Elementary and Morrow Elementary Schools. Mrs. Brinkworth and Mrs. Good were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

No discussion was held on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.

**EE-5. Recommendation \$500,000 or Less - 56-104E - Software for Vocabulary and Comprehension Improvement (Approved as Amended)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to approve the recommendation to award for the above contract. Contract Term: May 18, 2016 through June 30, 2017, 1 year, 1 Month; User Department: Innovative Learning & Arts Department; Award Amount: \$405,723; Awarded Vendor(s): Thinkmap, Inc; Minority/Women Business Enterprise Vendor(s): None. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

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Mrs. Rupert referred to the Executive Summary page, second paragraph, where it mentions the Houston Independent School District, as well as the Newark City and Monroe County schools, were using the Vocabulary.com software. She wanted to know if there were any data results for these districts. Mrs. Rupert knew this was implemented at some of Broward's schools and she wanted to know the results from those schools as well.

Daryl Diamond, Director, Innovative Learning & Arts, replied students in Buck Lodge, Maryland, using the software for eight (8) months saw an average increase of 98 points, with 32% of scores increased by 150 points or more; in Woodward Park, Ohio, students had a significant increase in math scores after using the software a few months; and an independent study in 2013-2014 saw a strong correlation between this software and FCAT scores.

Mr. Runcie said the software was very effective because it used a gains format that engages the students. This was being run effectively as a pilot at three schools and after that was completed, it would be brought back to the Board with results to determine on whether or not to expand.

Dr. Diamond stated the pilot just took place this year and the results were not in yet.

Mrs. Rich Levinson wanted to commend the gaming aspect of it. She saw it with math at some of the schools in her district and it was incredible to see the competition that gave students the extra spark they needed. The students were even doing this at home, in which the families were getting involved as well.

Mr. Gohl said what was significantly different about Vocabulary.com was that it showed incredible growth for students that were behind in vocabulary acquisition, but it also showed significant growth at the advanced stages as well. Settling for students doing great is not good enough when they could do better. They have an inventory they were now double and triple checking for the most challenging things. Mr. Gohl stated they were also engaging in a new program called Weed, Feed, and Seed, where they pull (weed) things that were not used or were ineffective; feed in areas where there had been growth; and where they do not have a program, they seed.

Mrs. Rich Levinson looked forward to seeing that when it was completed. She felt the instrument was very much needed when items come before the Board. She expressed her enthusiasm for the vocabulary program.

Ms. Korn stated the financial impact was \$405,723 but she could only come up with \$375,000 when reviewing the contract. On page 3 of 12, under 2.04, the \$337,500 plus \$37,500 equals \$375,000 not \$405,723. In terms of licenses, she inquired as to how much it was per license.

Mr. Woods replied the \$407,723 was a quote that came from Vocabulary.com, which was for 135,241 licenses at \$3 each.

Ms. Korn said the contract needed to state that information and suggested it be amended. She wanted to know how many licenses would equate to an additional training opportunity of \$1,750 a day. The next question pertained to the training and how it would be provided.

Dr. Diamond responded they just spoke to the vendor and the \$375,000 amount was correct.

Ms. Korn said since it was correct in the agreement and incorrect on the Agenda Request Form (ARF), there would not be a need to amend the amount. She reiterated that it would be pertinent to have an indication as to how many licenses would equate to an additional training opportunity of \$1,750 a day and should be included in the agreement. Ms. Korn asked staff how the training would be provided.

Dr. Diamond replied it would run during the summer months with the department's training schedule online and also at the beginning of the school year in September that could be done online or face-to-face.

Loriayn Stickler, Curriculum Supervisor, Innovative Learning & Arts, stated it would be a webinar training offered weekly on the hour so teachers could join in at their leisure.

Ms. Korn asked who would receive the two-day training.

Dr. Diamond said everyone would receive it.

Ms. Korn inquired who would actually be coming to the training from grades 6-12, was there any cost to bring teachers in over the summer, and if yes, where were the dollars associated with this specifically.

Dr. Diamond responded that they would have to pay for the teachers, as well as the software and staff. The webinars were no cost. There would be 120 teachers to receive the training, on a first-come-first-served basis, for four sessions with 25-30 teachers per session. The teachers chosen by the principals would go back to their school after they were trained to train the remaining teachers. Dr. Diamond said they would provide support staff to go to the schools. She also indicated there would be dollars to pay teachers for professional development.

Mrs. Rich Levinson asked if teachers would be trained on the LMS during the summer.

Dr. Diamond replied no, with the Seasons of Learning they could support the secondary trainings and hope to deliver in the first two weeks when teachers return in August.

Mrs. Rich Levinson felt that was a more difficult time to ask teachers to come to professional development. She believed the summer would be much better and was something that should be reviewed.

Dr. Diamond responded that it was beyond their control. She said Talent Development had determined how they were to use that week. It may be possible to deliver something outside Seasons of Learning at another time.

Mrs. Rich Levinson suggested looking at the timing because it was off.

Mr. Runcie agreed the timing was off but it may have been the best they could do under the circumstances.

Mrs. Rupert offered congratulatory remarks to Kathryn Sullivan in her retirement and for all her hard work. She was a remarkable woman and would be sorely missed.

Motion to Amend (Carried)

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried to amend the contract language under Article 2 - Special conditions, Section 2.04, page 3 of 12, that it is further specified in terms of how many licenses equates to an additional training opportunity of \$1,750 a day. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

A vote was taken on the Motion to Amend.

A vote was taken on the item as amended.

**EE-6. Continuation of the Lease or Maintenance of District Software and Hardware for Fiscal Year 2016-17 (Approved)**

Motion made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried to approve the continuation of the lease or maintenance of the District software and hardware for fiscal year 2016-17; Contract Term: July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, 1 Year; User Department: Information & Technology; Award Amount: 6,175,231; Awarded Vendor(s): 77 Vendors: Minority/Women Business Enterprise Vendor(s): None. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

No discussion was held on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.

**EE-7. First Amendment to Agreement - 13-027-1V Student Psychiatric Services  
(REVISED / ORIGINALLY E-2) (Approved)**

Motion made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried to approve the First Amendment to Agreement for the above Request for Proposal (RFP) - 13-027-1V. Contract Term: July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, 1 Year; User Department: Exceptional Student Education and Support Services; Award Amount: \$883,821; Vendor Awarded: Nyirma Ortiz, PA MD; Minority/Women Business Enterprise Vendor(s): None. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Mrs. Rich Levinson thanked staff for reflecting the reduced amount in the item.

Mr. Runcie stated it was changed because there was a financial impact and they wanted the Board to recognize they would come back when the amounts were lower and adjust it based on the estimates of the spend pattern.

A vote was taken on this item.

**FF. OFFICE OF ACADEMICS**

**FF-1. Instructional Materials: World Languages; Spanish & French, and Literacy; AP English Literature & AP English Language (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to approve the adoption of the recommended instructional materials for World Languages (Spanish & French). Mrs. Good and Ms. Korn were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

No discussion was held on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.

**GG. OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES**

**HH. OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL**

**II. OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**II-1. First Move Chess Curriculum Program (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Good, seconded by Mrs. Brinkworth and carried, to approve third year implementation for all 2nd & 3rd grade classes to participate in the First Move Chess Curriculum with funding support through America's Foundation for Chess (AF4C). (9-0 vote)

Mrs. Good thanked everyone involved with the program and felt it was a great opportunity for students to use their mind, math skills, and people skills.

Mrs. Rich Levinson commended the program for its critical thinking and analytical skills, along with the social benefits the student derive from it. She also thanked the Mayor of Sunrise, Michael Ryan, for his leadership in this initiative and the municipalities throughout Broward County.

Mrs. Rupert shared she was extremely supportive of this program and was able to stop by some of her schools to see them play. She was very proud of the District for having this program.

Dr. Osgood concurred with her colleagues. She liked how excited the students were to learn to play chess and how it made them want to attend school. She also thanked the Mayor for bringing this program to the District.

Valerie Wanza, Chief School Performance & Accountability Officer, thanked the Board for allowing the item to come forward. She also wanted to recognize Mark Strauss, Director, Office of School Performance & Accountability, for being the District coordinator for all the chess activities.

The Chair received input from the audience on this item.

A vote was taken on this item.

## **JJ. OFFICE OF FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION**

### **JJ-1. Change Order #13 - Fort Lauderdale HS - Kaufman Lynn Construction, Inc. - Remodeling/Renovations - Project No. P.000687 (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Bartleman and carried, to approve Change Order #13, Fort Lauderdale High School, Kaufman Lynn Construction, Inc., Remodeling/ Renovations, Project No. P.000687, in the amount of \$67,205, -0- days. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Mrs. Rupert asked if there were procedures in place to help determine existing structure issues being unacceptable before going further into the project.

Mr. Bobadilla replied that was challenging since there were utilities that were buried and needed to be located. Utilities that are not active have to be found through the process of construction work. He believed it was best to have the Utility Locate done, with the understanding that there might be a chance something placed many years earlier would be uncovered through the construction process. In regards to underground utilities, most of the work to be done was not of this nature, but would pertain to the roof or air conditioning, and would not include too many underground surprises. On the other hand, there may still be surprises in the walls and ceilings.

Mrs. Rupert questioned when it came to underground work it was not anticipated too much would need to be done, to which staff replied yes. She inquired if the plans were something the municipalities would have or would the schools have possession of them.

Mr. Bobadilla responded they would typically have the plans and would review them to see what was needed to be done.

A vote was taken on this item.

**JJ-2. Relocation of three portables from New River Circle Site to Cypress Bay High School (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Korn and carried, to approve the relocation of three portables to Cypress Bay High School. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

The Chair received input from the audience on this item.

Mrs. Bartleman believed this item was needed. In reference to the comment from the audience that other projects were not being conducted, she suggested the Superintendent look into that matter.

A vote was taken on this item.

**KK. OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

**LL. OFFICE OF PORTFOLIO SERVICES**

**LL-1. Continuation Agreement with Barry University (Approved)**

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried to approve the continuation agreement with Barry University (BU) for Montessori training at Bair Middle, Beachside Montessori Village, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Montessori Academy, Sunrise Middle, and Virginia Shuman Young (VSY) Elementary. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Agenda Items LL-1 through LL-5 were moved and discussed concurrently.

Ms. Korn referred to LL-5, page 5 of the redline agreement and stated the chart for the modular classroom schedule had a hard date of December 31, 2016 for the final completion; however, the wording in the language below the chart allows flexibility with the date. She did not want anything left vague by having two different outcomes. She felt there was a disconnect in the language and the intent was not clear. Since all parties had reviewed and approved it, she would not vote it down.



Mrs. Freedman stated that the agreement would be delivered to the City of Parkland tomorrow.

Mrs. Rich Levinson commended staff on the Magnet grants, for establishing the middle school Montessori training locally, and for the new premium service agreement as well. Mrs. Rich Levinson requested the Superintendent provide a year-end summary.

A vote was taken on these items.

**LL-2. Continuation Agreement with Summit Montessori Teacher Training Institute, L.L.C. (Approved)**

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried to approve the continuation agreement with Summit Montessori Teacher Training Institute, L.L.C. (SM) for Montessori training at Beachside Montessori Village, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary, Sunrise Middle, and Virginia Shuman Young Elementary. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Agenda Items LL-1 through LL-5 were moved and discussed concurrently.

A vote was taken on these items.

**LL-3. Nova Southeastern University Summer Program Agreement (NSU) (Approved)**

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried to approve the agreement with Nova Southeastern University, Inc. to provide three Magnet high school summer enrichment programs for students. The Aviation Program at Miramar High School, the Marine Science Program at South Broward High School, and the Emerging Computer Technology and Digital Entrepreneurship Program at Dillard High School. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Agenda Items LL-1 through LL-5 were moved and discussed concurrently.

A vote was taken on these items.

**LL-4. Premium Services Agreement Approval (Approved)**

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried to approve the Premium Services Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC) and the specified governing board. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Agenda Items LL-1 through LL-5 were moved and discussed concurrently.

A vote was taken on these items.

**LL-5. Second Amendment to Modular Classroom Agreement (Approved)**

Motion was made by Ms. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried to approve the Second Amendment to Modular Classroom Agreement. Mrs. Good was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Agenda Items LL-1 through LL-5 were moved and discussed concurrently.

A vote was taken on these items.

**Adjournment** This meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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