

APPROVED IN OPEN BOARD MEETING, AUGUST 5, 2003

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

**June 24, 2003
Tuesday, 12:00 Noon
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING**

The School Board of Broward County, Florida, met in special session at 12:12 p.m., Tuesday, June 24, 2003, at Westglades Middle School Cafetorium, 11000 Holmberg Road, Parkland, Florida. Present were Chair Lois Wexler, Vice Chair Carole L. Andrews; Members Judie S. Budnick, Darla L. Carter, Beverly A. Gallagher, Stephanie Arma Kraft, Esq., Dr. Robert D. Parks, Marty Rubinstein, Benjamin J. Williams; Superintendent Franklin L. Till, Jr.; and Robert P. Vignola, Esq.

Call 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 Ms. Carter, seconded by Mr. Rubinstein and carried, the Agenda was approved and declared closed.

1. **Personnel Recommendations for Noninstructional Appointments and Leaves for the 2002-2003 and 2003-2004 School Years** (Approved)

Motion was made by Ms. Carter, seconded by Mr. Rubinstein and carried, to approve personnel recommendations for appointments and reassignments as listed on the attached Executive Summary, respective lists and individual appointments for noninstructional employees. All recommendations are made with the understanding that these individuals will comply with regulations/policies as set forth by the State Department of Education and The School Board of Broward County, Florida.

1. Noninstructional Approval(s) 03-04 Reappointments
2. Noninstructional Reassignment Promotion(s)
3. Noninstructional Reassignment Demotion(s)
4. Noninstructional Substitutes/Temporaries
5. Noninstructional Leaves(s)
6. District Managerial/Professional/Technical
7. Reassignment of Current School-Based/District Managerial/Professional Technical
8. School-Based Managerial
9. Managerial Acting/Task Assignment(s)
10. Managerial/Professional/Technical Leaves

Dr. Till informed the Board that one vacancy is remaining at the Seagull School will be subsequently presented to the Board.

Mrs. Wexler, who expressed concern over the manner in which principals are hired, requested that staff put in writing for the Board how the open process for hiring principals is working this year as far as identifying principals for schools.

Following a vote on the item, Mrs. Wexler introduced and congratulated newly-appointed district personnel.

Mrs. Wexler inquired whether the positions of Director, Transportation, and Director, Food and Nutrition Services are being re-advertised.

Remarking that there is a possibility that the positions will be re-advertised, Dr. Till stated that the individuals recommended for Special Assignment positions will have the authority as Directors for those departments, but a final recommendation will be decided at a subsequent time. Dr. Till stated that discussion occurred to begin the process of replacing key people and have a transition period, but with the extension of the DROP program it gave people a chance not to retire until a later time.

Mr. Vignola advised that the district is limited in appointing individuals until a submission of retirement is made by the employee.

Ms. Carter requested that staff consider possibly advertising for a future position to fulfill the needs and have someone train for the position before the person actually retires. In addition, that staff consider grooming someone internally so there is a smooth transition.

Dr. Till responded that he will speak with the Chief Operating Officer with regard to this issue.

The following individual addressed this item:

Walter Browne

2. Request to Reschedule July 15, 2003, Special School Board Meeting for Expulsions and Regular School Board Meeting Starting Times (Approved)

Motion was made by Mr. Rubinstein, seconded by Dr. Parks and carried, to recommend that The July School Board of Broward County, Florida, reschedule the starting times of the July 15, 2003, School Board Meetings:

- Special School Board Meeting for Expulsions scheduled to begin at 11:00 a.m. will now be held at 9:30 a.m.
- Regular School Board Meeting scheduled to begin at 1:00 p.m. will now be held at 10:00 a.m.

No discussion was held on this item.

3. Resolution Authorizing the Use of the 2001-02 Unused Portion of Public School Technology Fund categorical for the K-12 Reading Program (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Budnick, seconded by Ms. Carter and carried, to recommend that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, adopt resolution number 03-58, authorizing the use of the 2001-02 unused portion of the Public School Technology Fund categorical to maintain reading programs in the K to 12 grade levels.

Mr. Leong informed the Board that last year the Legislature approved to allow the conversion of categorical funds for educational programs. Mr. Leong stated that this will free up the General Fund for other purposes, as the Board deems appropriate. Mr. Leong clarified that this is not related to this year's budget, and it has no effect on future dollars.

Adjournment This meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

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