

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

April 15, 2014  
Tuesday, 10:15 a.m.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The School Board of Broward County, Florida, met in regular session at 10:15 a.m., Tuesday, April 15, 2014, in the Board Room of the Kathleen C. Wright Administrative Center, 600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Present were: Chair Patricia Good, Vice Chair Donna P. Korn; Members Robin Bartleman, Heather P. Brinkworth, (Abby M. Freedman appeared telephonically), Laurie Rich Levinson, Ann Murray, Dr. Rosalind Osgood, Nora Rupert; Superintendent Robert W. Runcie; and J. Paul Carland, II., Esq.

**Call to Order** Mrs. Good, Board Chair, called the meeting to order.

Superintendent Runcie introduced Principal April Schentrup and students from Pembroke Pines Elementary School (appearing through video conference) who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and recited their school's Pirate Pledge.

**Minutes for Approval** Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to approve the official minutes for the following Board Meetings: Mrs. Freedman, Mrs. Rich Levinson and Ms. Murray had not yet assumed their seats on the dais. (6-0 vote)

March 12, 2014 – Special – 2nd Public Hearing – Boundaries 2013-2014  
March 17, 2014 – Special – Expulsions

**Close Agenda** Upon motion by Mrs. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, the Agenda was approved and declared closed. Mrs. Freedman, Mrs. Rich Levinson and Ms. Murray had not yet assumed their seats on the dais. (6-0 vote)

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**Celebration of April as The Military Child Month**

Mrs. Rich Levinson, on behalf of the School Board of Broward County Public Schools, congratulates 1.2 million school-aged children attending public schools in the nation and joins the Department of Education, Department of Defense, and the community in the celebration of the successes, challenges and contribution of military-connected students in Broward County Public Schools.

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Mrs. Rich Levinson recognized the JROTC cadets from Hollywood Hills Military Academy who performed the presentation of colors. Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth Green, Coordinator, JROTC program, was introduced.

Students Bianca Lari, 5<sup>th</sup> grader, Sandpiper Elementary School; Kevin Williams, 8<sup>th</sup> grader, Westpine Middle School; Geminia Aimable, 10<sup>th</sup> grader, Piper High School, and other students shared their experiences about the impact of military service on their family, relatives and their lives.

Dr. Laurel Thompson, Director, Student Services, through a PowerPoint presentation, spoke about the statistics of military families and education of school personnel, and identifying the military branches for the purpose of providing appropriate referrals and services for military connected students and families.

Deloris Johnson, Principal, Sandpiper Elementary School, was recognized for the pilot project and working with military families.

Joyce Kennedy, South Command School Liaison, and Lucia Romero, School Social Worker/Military Initiative, spoke about their involvement with military families.

Mrs. Rich Levinson thanked the School Board, staff, and district employees who work with and support military families in the fashion in which they protect our country and protect our freedom.

### School is Cool, Attucks Middle School

Ms. Murray spoke in celebration of the unique partnership with Attucks Middle School and Take Stock in Children who provide scholarship opportunities for students.

Principal Errol A. Evans spoke about the learning experience of students to help them succeed and thanked the School Board for the partnerships forged to come into the school.

Amanda Frey, Program Coordinator, Take Stock in Children, thanked the Broward Education Foundation for providing scholarships to 32 students who are now going to college.

Ms. Murray introduced the students to the Board and best wishes were extended to them in this opportunity to fulfill their dreams and have a successful future.

### Child Abuse Prevention Month's Initiative: Child Abuse Logo Contest Winner

Yva Dieudonne, Child Abuse and Neglect Program, Manager, informed that 2014 marks the 30th anniversary of the district's Child Abuse and Neglect services. She spoke of the district's need to create a program dedicated to student safety at home and school, the services provided to the community, and the child abuse awareness and child abuse logo contest.

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Todd LaPace, Principal, McArthur High School, and Captain Daniel Lindsey, Broward Sheriff's Office, Child Protective Investigations Administrator, announced the winner of the Child Abuse Logo Contest Winner, Lisa Nguyen. Also present were Mary Boyce, Student Advisor and Patricia Jones, Art Teacher.

Michaelle Valbrun-Pope, Executive Director, Student Support Initiatives, spoke about the correlation between child abuse and learning, stating that a child who is not physically, emotionally and psychologically healthy cannot reach their full academic potential. The logo will be copywrited, used on all program material, and it will represent the district's personal commitment to keep children safe and learning.

Dr. Thompson presented the original logo to Superintendent Runcie for his support of child abuse.

Board Members Mrs. Rupert thanked child abuse designees and teachers, and spoke about Kids in Distress. She shared that her son is alive today because someone stood up in his behalf.

Mrs. Bartleman spoke about her attendance at a Family Resource Fair and the praise given to Ms. Dieudonne by the Sheriff's Department Investigators for her advocacy and coordination efforts for children. She thanked Ms. Dieudonne on behalf of all students.

Ms. Murray praised Lisa for her compassion and reflection, and thanked Mr. LaPace for representing teenagers across Broward County.

Dr. Osgood recognized the partnership between the School Board and the Sheriff's office, and their commitment to children and creating an opportunity for students to grow every day.

A photographic session was held with the participants, School Board and Superintendent.

### Broward Students to Honor Flight

Student Advisors Kirsten Zeiser and Sarah Park, Fernando Veracunez-Student Advisor Elect, Linda Goody, President, and Student Representatives on behalf of the Broward County Association of Student Councils, made a special check presentation to Honor Flight in the amount of \$26,500. The students launched their mission to raise funds to send World War II and Korean War veterans to Washington D.C. Honor Flight is a non-profit organization created solely to honor America's veterans for all their sacrifices. The organization transports the heroes to Washington D.C. to visit and reflect at war memorials. Top priority is given to senior veterans – World War II survivors, along with other veterans who may be terminally ill.

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Rick Asberg, Chair, Honor Flight, and representatives from Honor Flight thanked the School Board and incredibly hard-working students for their efforts in this charity. He informed the Board that next week marks the 10th year anniversary of the opening of the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C. The memorial honors 16 million Americans who provided defense of the United States and freedom for all. Mr. Asberg also spoke of Honor Flight's participating veterans.

Mrs. Good thanked Mr. Asberg and praised the students for an accomplishment that will provide veterans this opportunity. The Chair acknowledged Mike Roland, Coordinator, Student Activities Liaison/Stadium Manager, Athletics.

A photographic session was held with the participants, School Board and Superintendent.

### National Day of Silence (Resolution #14-45)

Amalio Nieves spoke of the district's partnerships and acknowledged Mrs. Rich Levinson for championing the efforts around the needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual, Transgender and Questioning (LGBTQ) students.

David Jobin, Stonewall National Library and Archives, shared the curriculum and enhancement project to infuse LGBTQ history and conversations into the classroom. Mr. Jobin introduced Ken Tewel, Ron Herron and Fred Brugal, Board Members, Stonewall National Library and Archives, and spoke about Stonewall's education project that supports the well being and academic performance of all students. Mr. Jobin thanked Broward schools for creating an environment that allows the partnership between volunteers and committed educators to flourish.

Mr. Nieves thanked the School Board for supporting the efforts around addressing the needs of all students.

Mrs. Rich Levinson thanked Stonewall for their ongoing partnership with the district and the incredible display brought forward to share with the community.

### Bullying and The Law

Mrs. Bartleman recognized Bullying and The Law, a high school anti-bullying program that was developed at Nova-Southeastern University through the Common Knowledge Scholarship Foundation, and free to all Florida high school students. The program challenges students to watch videos and read information about bullying, harassment and cyber-bullying, and federal and state laws. Mrs. Bartleman stated that Student Ambassadors seek support from their schools to promote the program to their student body.

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Mrs. Rich Levinson recognized and congratulated the following Student Ambassadors (Program Coordinators): Robert Olinick, 12th grade, College Academy, and Nick Azacarte, 11th grade, Pembroke Pines Charter. The following Student Ambassadors were recognized: Maria Batista, Natalie Delvalle, College Academy; Courtney Rosen, Cypress Bay High School; Lea Stern, Pembroke Pines Charter High School; Will Fine, McFatter Technical Center; Kiesha Figueroa, Nova High School; Jane Torres, Western High School; Michele Diaz, West Broward High School; Azurite Cavasavey, Nova Southeastern University Intern.

Mrs. Rich Levinson acknowledged Darryl Hulce, Administrator, Nova Southeastern University, for working with these students to create this wonderful program.

Mrs. Bartleman thanked Nova Southeastern University for taking the initiative to develop a program on this important issue and recognized Harrison Grandwilliams, Broward County Sheriff's Office, for his involvement with the students.

On behalf of Nova Southeastern University, Mr. Hulce praised the students for their leadership in developing this program.

Mrs. Rupert spoke about her daughter's experience with cyber-bullying in middle school and their appearance before the Florida Legislature. Mrs. Rupert is proud that this district stood behind their students with an idea, taking this program forward to help other students.

Students Robert Olinick and Nick Azacarte spoke about their involvement in the program.

A photographic session was held with participants, the School Board and Superintendent.

### **REPORTS**

The following reports were presented:

Diversity Committee – Rebecca Dahl

District Advisory Council – Jodi Klein

Broward County Association of Student Councils and Student Advisor to the Board –

Sarah Park and Kirstin Zeiser, and Student Advisor-Elect Fernando Vaconez

Facilities Task Force – Andrew Ladanowski

### **SUPERINTENDENT**

Mr. Runcie announced that a brief update will be provided to the Board and the public on the legislative process and seeking to advance the district's priorities.

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Shelia VanHoose, Office of the Superintendent, reported on the bill movement. Of the 1,800 bills, 180 bills will have an impact on the district, and movement on 45 bills is expected to directly impact students, staff and the operation of the district.

Mrs. VanHoose provided an update to the Board on the Legislative Priority - four (4) areas: Accountability (Senate Bills 1642 - Delaying school grades one (1) year; 7167 - Educational Choice / voucher); Charter Schools; Class Size and Funding.

Mrs. VanHoose indicated all three budget recommendations from the House, Senate and Governor's office have allocated Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO) dollars to school districts and there has been a recommended bump in the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) per pupil, ranging from \$100 to \$150 to get to the 2007-2008 year level. Further conversation will be held within two weeks on specific line items with legislators and additional areas, such as technology funding.

Mr. Runcie announced that James Griffin, Principal, Lauderdale Lakes Middle School, was recognized as one of five extraordinary individuals for his leadership in education. at the annual African-American Achievers awards ceremony hosted by JM Family Enterprises at the Broward County Convention Center.

The Superintendent congratulated senior Kenny Alexis, Blanche Ely High School, on receiving the Jerome Edmund Gray Youth Achiever award during the African-American Achievers awards ceremony. Kenny received a four-year scholarship to Florida State University where he will major in Actuarial Science.

Dr. Osgood noted that as a former recipient of the African-American Achievers award, Broward County Mayor Barbara Sharief was honored as the Entrepreneur of the Year. She stated the JM Family African-Achievers Award provides a pool of role models for young people.

### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Mrs. Rupert announced that Pompano Beach High School, Atlantic Technical, and Deerfield Beach High School were recognized as the top 100 schools in the state by the U.S. News & World Report Best High School rankings.

National Signing day will be held at Coconut Creek High School on Wednesday, April 16, 2014, with five (5) women Cougars basketball players participating.

Mrs. Rich Levinson announced and congratulated 13 Broward schools who received gold, silver or bronze medals in U.S. News & World Report Best High School rankings: Cypress Bay (15th), Pompano Beach (17th), Nova (27th), McFatter Technical Center (36th), Atlantic Technical (40th), City of Pembroke Pines Charter (42th), Ft. Lauderdale (45th), Stranahan (53th), South Broward (74th), and Deerfield Beach (75th).

Mrs. Good complimented her colleagues, Superintendent and staff for a successful meeting, indicating that special presentations showcased the efforts of students and staff throughout the district.

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Ms. Murray announced that McArthur High School Mustangs Robotics class won their first competition, coming in 6th place, against 47 other nationwide schools. This highly motivated team had little money to compete and used their ingenuity and workmanship to accomplish this goal.

Mrs. Good requested information provided to the Board as to which schools are involved with the robotics program, and for staff to work to support and expand the program throughout the school system.

The Superintendent thanked Florida Power and Light for being a major underwriter for the South Florida Regional Robotics competition, one of 60 regional competitions in the country. Mr. Runcie announced that the Robotics World Competition will be held in St. Louis, Missouri on April 28, 2014.

Mrs. Rich Levinson noted that through a grant from Ultimate Software, students from six (6) elementary schools in the Cypress Bay Zone met for the Green City Challenge to showcase their programming and problem-solving skills by making their robots solve challenges related to local environmental issues. Mrs. Rich Levinson spoke about the need to begin science programs at the elementary level so that students are interested in science, have hands-on interactive activities in science, and can pursue science throughout their school career and ultimately for a career.

Dr. Osgood announced that Reardon's Aspiring Winners (RAW) from Lauderhill 6-12 went on a field trip to celebrate their good behavior by visiting the School Board office, visited with Judge Ilona Holmes' courtroom and participated in "mock court," and visited Judge Lynn Rosenthal's courtroom and chamber. Dr. Osgood thanked Mrs. Bartleman for speaking to the students about her personal experience in wanting to attend and pay for college, thanked the School Board office assistants for interacting with the students, and expressed gratitude to the judges for their participation.

Gratitude was expressed to principals, teachers, administrators and school-based staff who participated in the first annual countywide FCAT Fellowship at New Mount Olive Baptist Church, part of the faith-based initiative to support and partner faith based institutions with schools.

School Board Members attended the LGBTQ community forum.

New Mount Olive Baptist Church will hold a town hall conversation with Reverend Al Sharpton to talk about HIV as a civil right.

Mrs. Korn noted that schools will be closed on Good Friday, April 18, 2014.

Gratitude was expressed to Superintendent Runcie for taking her son Blake to work on Take your Child to Work Day.

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Mrs. Bartleman reported that she, Mrs. Pope and the Advancement Project presented the Promise program to the National School Boards Association in New Orleans. She stated that Broward County is receiving a lot of national recognition about the great things occurring in Broward County Schools. Best wishes were extended for a sweet Passover and a Happy Easter.

### Speakers

Rhonda Ward (ESE matters)

Melinda Cabral (Lice policy)

Ida Bell (Transportation)

Sherwin Pinnock (Minority treatment by school system)

Jodi Klein (Elimination of School House to Jail House)

Michael Sirbola (Zero Punishment & Safe Schools)

**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. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to approve the Consent Agenda for the remaining items (**identified by \***). Mrs. Freedman, Ms. Murray and Mrs. Rich Levinson had not yet assumed their seats on the dais. (6-0 vote)

Following the vote on the Consent Agenda, a moment of silence was held at the request of Board Member Freedman to honor 9th grade Stoneman Douglas High School student Neils Droschler, who recently passed away.

### CONSENT ITEMS

#### A. RESOLUTIONS

- \*A-1. Resolution No. 14-83 Amending Series 2008A-1 and Series 2009A-1 Facilities (Adopted)

Adopted Resolution No. 14-83 Amending Series 2008A-1 and Series 2009A-1 Facilities

Adopting Resolution No. 14-83 authorizes the execution and delivery by the School Board of Amendment to Amended and Restated Schedule 2001B-1, Amended and Restated Schedule 2008A-1, Amended and Restated Schedule 2009A-1, Amendment No. 3 to Series 2008A Ground Lease and Amendment No. 3 to Series 2009A Ground Lease in order to release the (i) Series 2008A-1 Facility Sites designated as "Cooper City High School (Aquatic Complex)" and "Olsen Middle School" from the lien of the Series 2008A-1 Lease and (ii) Series 2009A-1 Facility Site designated as "PPO Zone 4" from the lien of the Series 2009A-1 Lease, and replace such facility sites with comprehensive needs projects under the Districts Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan; and approving the form of documents listed in the exhibits section below.



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From time to time, we make these adjustments to align Certificates of Participation (COPs) documentation with the Adopted District Educational Facilities Plan.

This resolution accomplishes the following:

The projects below have been removed from the District Educational Facilities Plan (DEFP) during the 5-year planning process over the past few years and will be removed from the COPs documents by this resolution.

- 1) Cooper City High School – Aquatic Complex
- 2) Olsen Middle School – Classroom Addition
- 3) PPO Zone 4 – New Maintenance Facility

Funding from the canceled projects and any remaining funds from completed projects can be spent on items adopted in the DEFP. Those items are summarized in the following categories:

- Indoor Air Quality (IAQ)
- Roofing
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Safety/Security (e.g. fencing and fire alarms)
- Technology (e.g. infrastructure, networking, and end-user equipment)
- Educational Equipment (e.g. music instruments and kilns)
- Capital Maintenance Projects (e.g. air conditioning replacements)

The Resolution and all exhibits are available online via The Broward County Public Schools eAgenda at:  
<http://eagenda3.broward.k12.fl.us/cgi-bin/WebObjects/eAgenda>.

The amendment does not free up additional funds for new projects since the DEFP already reflects these changes, therefore there is no financial impact.

- \*A-2. Resolution in Support of School Nutrition Employee Week, May 5 through May 9, 2014 (Adopted)

Adopted Resolution #14-84, in support of School Nutrition Employee Week, May 5 through May 9, 2014.

### **B. BOARD MEMBERS**

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

**F. OFFICE OF ACADEMICS**

- \*F-1. Head Start/Early Head Start Program Strategic Plan and Selection Criteria (Approved)

Approved the Head Start/Early Head Start Program Strategic Plan and 2014-2015 Selection Criteria.

The School Board of Broward County, Florida is the selected Head Start grantee and the program's governing body. As such, it is required to make decisions about the program's administration and operations. The responsibilities include the approval of reports, policies, and practices to ensure compliance with the Head Start Program Performance Standards. As per the Head Start Act of 2007, the governing body is required to review and approve the program's strategic plan and annual selection criteria.

There is no financial impact to the district.

**G. OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES**

- \*G-1. Personnel Recommendations for Instructional Appointments and Leaves for 2013-2014 School Year (Approved)

Approved the personnel recommendations for the 2013-2014 appointments and leaves as listed in the 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. The teacher approvals on this G-1 item are teachers in subject areas for which there is no surplus and/or layoff teacher in that certification area that could be placed in these positions.

The Personnel Recommendations for Instructional Employees include the following items:

1. Teacher Approvals
2. Instructional Leaves

There will be no financial impact to the school district. Funding for the positions has been allocated in the school and department budgets.

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**\*G-2. Personnel Recommendations for Instructional Separation of Employment or Discipline for the 2013-2014 School Year (Approved)**

Approved the personnel recommendations for separation of employment or discipline as listed in the 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.

The Personnel Recommendations for Instructional Employees include the following items:

1. Instructional Resignations/Retirements/Layoffs
2. Instructional Suspensions/Terminations

There will be no financial impact to the school district.

**G-3. Personnel Recommendations for Non-Instructional Appointments and Leaves for the 2013-2014 School Year (Approved as Amended)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to approve the personnel recommendations for appointments and reassignments as listed on the 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. This item was amended to add page 16 to Section 9. Mrs. Rich Levinson had not yet assumed her seat on the dais. (8-0 vote)

The Personnel Recommendations for Non-Instructional Employees include the following sections:

1. Non-Instructional Approval(s)
2. Non-Instructional Reassignment(s) – Promotion(s)
3. Non-Instructional Reassignment(s) – Demotion(s)
4. Non-Instructional Substitutes/Temporary Employees
5. Non-Instructional Leave(s) – Layoff(s)
6. District Managerial/Professional/Technical
7. Reassignment of Current School-Based/District Managerial/Professional Technical Personnel
8. School-Based Managerial
9. School-Based/District Managerial Acting/Special/Task Assignment(s)

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10. School-Based / District Managerial / Professional / Technical Leave(s) – Layoff(s)
11. Salary Adjustment

Funding has been budgeted in the 2013-2014 school / fiscal year for all appointments through June 30, 2014.

Mrs. Bartleman bid farewell to Marie DeSanctis, Ph.D., Executive Director, Instruction & Intervention, and Kyle Dailey, Coordinator I, Strategy & Continuous Improvement, and thanked them for their service to the district.

Mrs. Rupert concurred and stated that the Superintendent and staff will be busy trying to fill these giant shoes.

On behalf of the School Board, Chair Good extended best wishes and best of luck to Marie and Kyle in their new endeavors.

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

**\*G-4. Personnel Recommendations for Non-Instructional Separation of Employment or Discipline(s) for the 2013-2014 School Year (Approved)**

Approved the personnel recommendations for separation of employment or discipline as listed on the 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.

The Personnel Recommendations include the following items:

Non-Instructional Resignation(s) / Retirement(s)  
Non-Instructional Suspension(s) / Termination(s)  
Managerial and Professional / Technical Resignation(s) / Retirement(s)  
Managerial and Professional / Technical Suspension(s) / Termination(s)

Employees contesting the recommended discipline may avail themselves of due process rights pursuant to their respective Collective Bargaining Agreements or School Board Policy 4105.

There is no financial impact to the school district.

**\*G-5. Supplemental Pay Positions – List #18 (Approved)**

Approved the recommended supplemental pay positions of employees for the 2013-2014 school / fiscal year.

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Employees are recommended for supplemental pay positions by Principals or Department Supervisors and approved by the appropriate Division Head. Supplemental positions are listed alphabetically by last name, with location and supplement type.

The Supplemental Pay Positions include the following type of supplements: Secondary department chairpersons high school; secondary department chairpersons and / or team leaders middle school; elementary grade level chairpersons and / or team leaders; athletic supplements; general supplements; and special supplements for the 2013-2014 school year.

Individuals listed meet the requirements for the supplemental positions.

Funding has been budgeted in the 2013-2014 school / fiscal year for all supplements through June 30, 2014.

**H. OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL**

**I. OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**\*I-1. Agreement with Share-A-Pet Organization (Approved)**

Approved an Agreement with Share-A-Pet Org., Inc.

This is a request for renewal of an Agreement which expired in June 2013. Share-A-Pet Org., Inc. (SAP) is a nonprofit organization committed to providing pet therapy in health care and education facilities. Prior to serving Broward County, SAP delivered programs in Palm Beach County schools and hospitals. The group is currently delivering programs in several Broward County district schools. SAP provides a reading program for students similar to the one already in place in selected schools via the District's partnership with the Humane Society of Broward County and Miles for Smiles, Inc.

District staff has monitored Share-A-Pet programs to confirm that SAP standards for animal health and training are aligned with the District's requirements for using animals in the classroom.

The Agreement was approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel. SAP provides a Pawsitive Reading program using trained and certified pet-assisted therapy volunteer teams to assist struggling readers in gaining reading skills. Since its inception in Broward County district schools, more than 10 schools have utilized the services of SAP and have requested continuation of the program. The SAP program is also poised to expand services to additional schools.

There is no financial impact to the district for this agreement.

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**\*I-2.      Petition for Formal Proceedings – DA      (Received)**

Received the Petition for Formal proceedings submitted by the Superintendent in reference to this teacher and that teacher be suspended without pay for ten (10) days, subject to the teacher's appeal rights.

The teacher, DA, has violated the Principles of Professional Conduct for the Education Profession in Florida. The teacher failed to adequately supervise students and failed to report a student missing. Due to the severity of the infractions, a ten (10) day unpaid suspension is recommended. The cadre attorney prepared the Petition for Formal proceedings and notice was sent to the employee that a recommendation for a ten (10) day suspension without pay would be presented to the School Board on April 15, 2014. The teacher has the right to request a hearing with the Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH) within 21 calendar days of the School Board action to appeal this disciplinary action.

There is no financial impact to the district.

**\*I-3.      Petition for Formal Proceedings – KG      (Received)**

Received the Petition for Formal proceedings submitted by the Superintendent in reference to this teacher and that teacher be suspended without pay for three (3) days, subject to the teacher's appeal rights.

The teacher, KG, has violated the Principles of Professional Conduct for the Education Profession in Florida and has been insubordinate. The teacher continued to leave her classroom unattended, continued / failed to comply with sign in / sign out procedures, and failed to comply with policies and procedures for the safeguarding of school funds. Due to the severity of the infractions, a three (3) day unpaid suspension is recommended. The cadre attorney prepared the Petition for Formal proceedings and notice was sent to the employee that a recommendation for a three (3) day suspension without pay would be presented to the School Board on April 15, 2014. The teacher has the right to request a hearing with the Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH) within 21 calendar days of the School Board action to appeal this disciplinary action.

There is no financial impact to the district.

**J.      OFFICE OF FACILITIES & CONSTRUCTION**

K. OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

- \*K-1. General Fund Amendment as of February 28, 2014 (Approved)

Approved the General Fund Amendment as of February 28, 2014.

General Fund Amendment is submitted to the School Board pursuant to State Board Administrative Rule 6A-1.006. This Amendment is for the purpose of updating The Broward County School District Budget for estimated revenues and appropriations changes in the General Fund. Amendment includes information for the month of February 2014.

There is no financial impact to the district.

- \*K-2. Special Revenue Grant Funds Amendment as of February 28, 2014 (Approved)

Approved the Special Revenue Grant Funds Amendment as of February 28, 2014.

Grant Funds Amendment is submitted to the School Board pursuant to State Board Administrative Rule 6A-1.006. This amendment is for the purpose of updating The Broward County School District Budget for estimated revenues and appropriations changes in the Special Revenue Grant Funds. Amendment includes information for the month of February 2014.

There is no financial impact to the district.

- K-3. Interim Financial Statements for the Period Ended February 28, 2014 (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to approve the Interim Financial Statements for the Period Ended February 28, 2014. Mrs. Freedman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Financial Statements are submitted to the School Board pursuant to State Board Administrative Rule 6A-1.008. As of February 2014, the fund balance as a percentage of projected revenues was 3.59% and the fund balance, excluding Charter Schools revenues, was 4.13%.

There is no financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Korn referred to page 3, Schedule of Revenues and Other Financing Sources - General Fund, Revenues: Local Sources: E-Rate rebate. She requested staff to follow-up as to the specific reason why the district is still anticipating the E-Rate funds.

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Oleg Gorokhovsky, Director, Budget, indicated that the information from Information & Technology (IT) is that the money will be collected in full before the year-end, similar to the pattern in prior years. Last year, \$3.6 million was collected and this year for IT is \$1 million.

Mrs. Korn reiterated her request for follow-up information from the IT department.

### K-4. Revision to Capital Funds Budget Amendments (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to approve the Capital Funds Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. These amendments are as of February 2014. Mrs. Freedman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

This amendment is being submitted to adjust revenue and appropriations in the Capital Budget. The major changes reflected in this amendment are summarized below.

#### **Revenues (Exhibit A)**

Net Increase \$450,743

- Increase \$13,833 for a legal settlement for construction of the ADA Restroom Renovations project at Country Hills Elementary School as approved at the 5/21/13 School Board meeting (HH-1)
- Increase \$76,800 for receipt of sale of land proceeds from the Oakland Park Elementary School Acreage Site as approved at the 12/17/2013 School Board meeting (LL-6)
- Increase \$279,630 to recognize year-to-date receipt of gas tax revenues
- Increase \$80,480 from the sale of surplus equipment and vehicles

#### **Appropriations (Exhibit B)**

##### **Reclassifications:**

- Changes this month in the appropriations summary are only reclassifications and do not change the budgeted amount for any capital projects. The amounts being reclassified are to align with the ongoing activity within the budgeted projects.
- Savings from debt service refinancing were decreased from the Debt Service Transfer and placed in the Long Term Reserve

##### **Increase:**

- Increase \$450,743 for revenue recognition placed in the Long Term Reserve



**Capital Reserves (Exhibit C)**

- There are no changes to the Short Term Reserve between February 1, 2014 and February 28, 2014
- There is a \$450,743 increase to the Long Term Reserve from revenue recognition
- There is a \$266,666 increase to the Long Term Reserve from debt service savings

There is no additional financial impact to any capital projects for this agenda as of February 2014. There is a \$450,743 increase in miscellaneous local revenue and savings of \$266,666 in the capital debt service from refinancing approved at the February 4, 2014 School Board meeting. The additional revenue and the debt service savings have been added to the Long Term Reserve.

Mrs. Korn inquired about the impact of the \$450,000 to the long-term reserves.

Omar Shim, Director, Capital Budget, referred to page 2, Capital Reserves (Exhibit C) indicating the beginning and ending balances. There is an increase of \$450,743 and the debt service was reduced by \$266,666 from refinancing and that went into the reserve.

**L. OFFICE OF PORTFOLIO SERVICES**

- \*L-1. Reciprocal Use Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida and the City of Cooper City (Approved)

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

The current Reciprocal Use Agreement (RUA) between The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC) and the City of Cooper City was entered into on June 2, 2009. The Agreement is scheduled to expire on June 2, 2014.

This RUA contains prior School Board approved solutions to issues (such as the District's implementation of its Four-Day Summer Work Week and the potential resultant increase in facility costs and energy cost) certain municipalities raised a few years ago regarding their utilization of the District's school facilities. The City has indicated its desire to renew the RUA with the SBBC, and has reviewed the RUA.

This Agreement has been reviewed and approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel, and upon approval by the SBBC, the City will execute the Agreement.

**Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

There is no financial impact to the school district; therefore this item does not require a collaboration form from the Capital Budget Department.

- \*L-2. Acceptance of the Voluntary Termination of Florida Charter Foundation, Inc., (Franklin Academy 2) (Approved)

Accepted the voluntary termination of the Charter School Agreement for Florida Charter Foundation, Inc., (Franklin Academy 2).

The governing board of Florida Charter Foundation, Inc., has notified the District of the voluntary termination of its Charter School Agreement with The School Board of Broward County, Florida.

The Superintendent of Schools wishes to inform The School Board of Broward County, Florida, that the District has initiated closeout procedures for Franklin Academy 2. Since the school has voluntarily terminated their charter, they have waived any right to a hearing or appeal. The School was granted a planning year for 2013-2014, therefore no students were enrolled for this year. The Senior Leadership Team members have also been informed of the School's voluntary termination.

A copy of all supporting documents is available at the Charter Schools Management/ Support Department on the 12<sup>th</sup> floor of the K. C. Wright Administration Center.

A copy of all supporting documents is available online via the Broward County Public Schools eAgenda at:  
<http://eagenda3.broward.k12.fl.us/cgi-bin/WebObjects/eAgenda>.

This item has been approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel.

There is no financial impact to the district.

- \*L-3. Second Amendment to Charter School Agreement with Greentree Prep Charter School, Inc., on behalf of Greentree Prep Charter School – 5130 (Approved)

Approved the Second Amendment to the Charter School Agreement with Greentree Prep Charter School, Inc., on behalf of Greentree Prep Charter School – 5130.

Greentree Prep Charter School, Inc., a Florida non-profit corporation, on behalf of Greentree Prep Charter School – 5130, desires to amend its Charter School Agreement to change the location of the charter school for the 2014-2015, school year and subsequent years.

**Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

A copy of all supporting documents is available at the Charter Schools Management/ Support Department on the 12<sup>th</sup> floor of the K. C. Wright Administration Center.

A copy of all supporting documents is available online via the Broward County Public Schools eAgenda at:  
<http://eagenda3.broward.k12.fl.us/cgi-bin/WebObjects/eAgenda>.

This item has been approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel.

There is no financial impact to the district.

**OPEN ITEMS**

**AA. RESOLUTIONS**

**BB. BOARD MEMBERS**

**CC. BOARD POLICIES**

- CC-1. Revisions to School Board Policy 5000 Educational Facilities, Designation of Schools, School Attendance Zone Boundaries, Development of Positive Alternatives to Accommodate Growth, to Keep Schools Open, and to Eliminate, Consolidate, or Re-Purpose Schools  
(Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to adopt revisions to School Board Policy 5000, at this final reading. (9-0 vote)

School Board Policy 5000 guides the District in planning of educational facilities, designation of schools, school attendance zone boundaries, development of positive alternatives to accommodate growth, the process for keeping schools open, and /or the consolidation or re-purposing of schools. Recommendations have been reviewed and approved by the Senior Leadership Team and School Board General Counsel Office.

In accordance with School Board Policy 1001, The School Board of Broward County, Florida, has completed the review process for School Board Policy 5000. These revisions were discussed at the September 24, 2013 School Board Workshop, the October 17, 2013 Public Rule Development Meeting, the October 22, 2013 School Board Workshop, at the first Public Hearing Meeting on December 17, 2013, and at a second Public Hearing Meeting on January 22, 2014 where an additional amendment was made.

**Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

A third public meeting was held on March 4, 2014 where two additional amendments were made, approved, and included in this presented version.

There is no additional financial impact to the school district, therefore, this item does not require a Collaboration Form from the Capital Budget Department.

No discussion was held on this item.

CC-2. Revised Job Description for the Manager II, Administrative Support Position (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to adopt the revised job description for the Manager II, Administrative Support position. This is the final reading. (9-0 vote)

The job description is being revised to update the qualifications and performance responsibilities of the position. The revision will ensure the job description accurately reflects the required minimum and preferred qualifications, accountability, goal and appropriate salary band of the position. The modifications presented better align to the District's Strategic Plan.

Revision of the job description does not impact the salary band of the position. The position is filled and will not require staffing changes. See Executive Summary.

Copies of all supporting documents are available at the Board Members' Office on the 14<sup>th</sup> floor of the K. C. Wright Administration Center and available online via the Broward County Public Schools eAgenda at: <http://eagenda3.broward.k12.fl.us/cgi-bin/WebObjects/eAgenda>.

There is no additional financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Brinkworth noted a scrivener's error on page 3, Performance Responsibilities, and inquired about the changes to the job description.

Jeffrey Moquin, Chief of Staff, informed that the Job Description was amended to break it into three (3) categories, representing the old job description and the new responsibilities (page 4).

**Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

- CC-3. New or Revised Job Descriptions for the Coach, Science; Coach, Mathematics; and Coach, Literacy Positions (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to adopt the new or revised job descriptions and minimum qualifications for the Coach, Science; Coach, Mathematics; and Coach, Literacy positions. This is the final reading. (9-0 vote)

The job descriptions for the Coach, Science; Coach, Mathematics; and Coach, Literacy have been created or revised to improve teaching practices and learning in the classroom. The creation or revision of the job descriptions support the District's initiative of alignment and prioritization in regards to the instructional coaching program for School District.

The positions are vacant and will follow the standard advertising and selection process. See Executive Summary.

Copies of all supporting documents are available at the Board Members' Office on the 14<sup>th</sup> floor of the K. C. Wright Administration Center and available online via the Broward County Public Schools eAgenda at: <http://eagenda3.broward.k12.fl.us/cgi-bin/WebObjects/eAgenda>.

There is no financial impact to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

- CC-4. Revised Job Description for the Specialist, Florida Inventory of School Houses (FISH) Position (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to adopt the revised job description for the Specialist, Florida Inventory of School Houses (FISH) position. This is the final reading. The job description is being revised to update the qualifications and performance responsibilities of the position. The objective of the revision is to ensure the job description accurately reflects the required minimum and preferred qualifications, and performance responsibilities necessary to perform the job in the assigned area. (9-0 vote)

Revision of the job description does not impact the pay grade of the position. The position is vacant and will follow the standard advertising and selection process. See Executive Summary.

Copies of all supporting documents are available at the Board Members' Office on the 14<sup>th</sup> floor of the K. C. Wright Administration Center and available online via the Broward County Public Schools eAgenda at: <http://eagenda3.broward.k12.fl.us/cgi-bin/WebObjects/eAgenda>.

**Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

There is no financial impact to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

CC-5. New Job Description for the Coordinator, Performance Management Position (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to approve the new job description for the Coordinator, Performance Management position. Approval is requested to advertise for the position after the first reading. This is the first reading. (9-0 vote)

The job description for the Coordinator, Performance Management position has been created to formally document an existing role within the Strategy and Continuous Improvement division. The position is vacant and will follow the standard advertising and selection process. See Executive Summary.

Copies of all supporting documents are available at the Board Members' Office on the 14<sup>th</sup> floor of the K. C. Wright Administration Center and available online via the Broward County Public Schools eAgenda at: <http://eagenda3.broward.k12.fl.us/cgi-bin/WebObjects/eAgenda>.

There is no financial impact to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

CC-6. Policy 2401: Tobacco-Free Policy (Approved as Amended)

Motion was made by Mrs. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to discontinue Policy 1120: Smoking on School Board-Owned Premises and approve Policy 2401: Tobacco-Free Policy at this first reading. This motion was superseded by a Motion to Amend (page 23). (9-0 vote)

Policy 2401: Tobacco-Free comprehensively provides clarification and information for stakeholders in understanding and implementing this policy. Policy changes have been vetted in accordance with the process outlined in Policy 1001: Rule Adoption & Rule Making.

The new policy language was discussed at the first Board Workshop on September 24, 2013; at the Public Rule Development on December 18, 2013 and at the second Board Workshop on January 28, 2014.

The policy will be effective upon Board approval.

There is no financial impact to the district.

**Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

Mrs. Pope informed that there is no smoking whatsoever on any district property and the line of demarcation was not delineated in the policy.

Mr. Moquin informed that through the implementation of the policy employees will be aware of where public property exists, the line of demarcation.

Indicating that she supported this policy, Mrs. Brinkworth inquired about the financial impact and posting of signage. She requested that the signage be implemented as quickly as possible so that people are aware of this policy.

Mrs. Pope responded when the agenda item is approved the signage will be ordered and posted.

Board Members Rupert, Good and Bartleman discussed the difficulty in defining district smoking boundaries and requested staff to review a demarcation of property line as to where public property exists and ensure the information of this policy is shared with employees. Staff will contact Palm Beach County to see how they dealt with nuances regarding sidewalks and other issues.

Mr. Carland responded that conversations at the Board Workshops revealed the state's pre-emption in this field with regard to smoking and the Office of Legal Counsel researched and determined the district is defining the property. The Board Attorney did not have an issue with the Board choosing a different distance and stated, as long as someone is within or on the district's property the district can regulate that area and regulate the behavior with respect to district property. The district does not own the sidewalks, the easements are unknown, and there will have to be a review relative to a physical location.

The following motion was offered:

Motion to Amend (Carried)

Motion was made by Mrs. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to amend Policy 2401, page 2, II. Definitions, e., to reduce the limit to 100 feet (...within ~~1000~~ 100 feet of any building facility ...) (9-0 vote)

A vote was taken on the Motion to Amend.

The following individuals addressed this item:

Michael Sirbola  
Jodi Klein  
Andrew Cudahy  
Michael Rajner

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A vote was taken on the item as amended.

**CC-7. Policy 5315: Family Life/Human Sexuality (Approved as Amended)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to approve Policy 5315: Family Life/Human Sexuality at this first reading. This motion was superseded by a Motion to Amend (below). (9-0 vote)

Policy 5315: Family Life/Human Sexuality provides clarification and information for stakeholders in understanding and implementing this policy. Policy changes have been vetted in accordance with the process outlined in Policy 1001: Rule Adoption & Rule Making.

The new policy language was discussed at the first Board Workshop on November 12, 2013; at the Public Rule Development on December 18, 2013 and at the second Board Workshop on February 25, 2014.

This Policy will be effective for the 2014-2015 school year.

There is no financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Rupert applauded the policy and indicated that students have shared with her that they would like more conversation about someone who has not abstained can go back to practicing abstinence.

Mrs. Korn spoke about the timing and making the curriculum specific to Broward County available to families online. She suggested the following motion:

**Motion to Amend (Carried)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Korn, seconded by Dr. Osgood and carried, to amend Policy 5315, II. Sexual Health Education Curriculum, page 4, add section F: Curriculum specific to Broward County and for the current school year be posted at Browardschools.com prior to the first day of school. Mrs. Freedman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

The Board concurred that a link will be provided from [www.browardschools.com](http://www.browardschools.com) to [www.browardprevention.org](http://www.browardprevention.org), where the curriculum is currently hosted.

The following individuals addressed this motion:

Michael Sirbola  
Michael Rajner



**Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

A vote was taken on the Motion to Amend.

Mrs. Brinkworth stated she was pleased to see the policy before the Board and was proud the district is paving the way for making sure that students are safe in all aspects and are safe in the choices they make with their bodies. Referring to page 2. II. Sexual Health Curriculum A. 3., Mrs. Brinkworth inquired about the opt out of the curriculum.

Mr. Nieves responded that the opt out is for the entire curriculum. Staff will ensure that any student or any parent opting out would still be provided the curriculum, resources and any support.

Mrs. Good inquired about the vision regarding schools retaining the services of any outside consultants to ensure the curriculum is consistent with policy.

Mr. Nieves indicated that any consultants the district would be using would be for staff development of instructional staff, nurses, social workers, and working with BECON to prepare video material. The district would also vet any consultant through the HIV Advisory panel that reviews all materials.

The Chair requested staff to provide follow-up to the Board on how this curriculum will function procedurally.

The following individuals addressed this item:

Michael Sirbola  
Michael Rajner  
Tom Green, Wilton Manors City Commissioner

A vote was taken on the item as amended.

**CC-8. Policy 1.51 – Human Relations Committee (Approved)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to approve Policy 1.51: Human Relations Committee at this first reading. (9-0 vote)

Policy 1.51: Human Relations Committee provides clarification and information for stakeholders in understanding and implementing this policy. Policy changes have been vetted in accordance with the process outlined in Policy 1001: Rule Adoption & Rule Making.

The new policy language was discussed at the first Board Workshop on September 24, 2013; at the Public Rule Development on December 18, 2013 and at the second Board Workshop on January 28, 2014.

## **Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

This policy will be effective for the 2014-2015 school year.

There is no financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Korn spoke about the ambiguity regarding the selection of additional members.

Me. Nieves informed that non-School Board appointees would be vetted through an application process and following review of the application they would be brought forward.

Noting that there may be more applicants than there are positions, Mrs. Korn said she was not comfortable with staff making a recommendation for a vacancy and how this will play out at the committee level.

Mrs. Korn offered a motion that beyond the initial appointments any vacancies, after being vetted, would be presented to the committee for recommendation of who would fill the additional vacancies, as they came about. (The motion failed for lack of a second).

Remarking that the School Board appointed positions are not involved, Mrs. Pope stated that the non-School Board appointed positions would be in collaboration for moving forward with recommendations to work on committees.

Mrs. Korn noted that the policy, as written, indicates the Superintendent is not the School Board and staff would be selecting the Superintendent's appointee.

Mrs. Pope stated the Superintendent's appointee is the Superintendent's appointee.

Mrs. Rich Levinson indicated the Superintendent appoints an appointee. This would be referring to the other positions, students and advisors, and she supports staff making these selections after all candidates have been vetted. She thanked everyone involved in the process, a long-time coming committee, everyone working collaboratively to come up with a great policy. Mrs. Rich Levinson was thrilled there is a large student contingency on the Human Relations Committee, the first committee with a large amount of students.

Mrs. Good requested clarification regarding not including the School Board appointees or the Superintendent's appointee.

Mrs. Bartleman thanked staff for including at-large students on the committee.

## Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014

The following individuals addressed this item:

Michael Sirbola  
Michael Rajner

Mrs. Rich Levinson stated that Board Members have discussions with their appointees about how they would like their positions on the committee to be handled. She voiced concern over driving an agenda in a committee, which should not be occurring. Mrs. Rich Levinson stated the appointee gathers input and bringing it back to the Board, not to be driving the agenda of various committees.

Mr. Carland indicated if a member's appointee wishes to either raise information or bring a debate to the committee that they serve on, what would drive that are the bylaws or the Robert's Rules of Order. That drives how any member of any body brings information forward.

CC-9. Policy 4002.14 – Selection and Appointment of School-Based Administrators (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to adopt revision of Policy 4002.14 at this final reading. Mrs. Brinkworth was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

A committee was created to revise the policy in an effort to align it with the District's current organizational structure and include procedures for including community input in the selection process.

The revisions were discussed at the December 10, 2013 School Board Workshop, the January 16, 2014 Public Rule Development Meeting and the February 11, 2014 School Board Workshop. First reading of the policy was approved as amended at the April 1, 2014, Regular School Board Meeting.

There is no financial impact to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

CC-10. Policy 4002.33 – Experience for School Administrative Positions (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to delete policy at this final reading. Mrs. Brinkworth was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

A committee was created to revise Policy 4002.14, Selection and Appointment of School-Based Administrators. The revisions to that policy include experience for school-based administrative positions.

## **Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

The revisions were discussed at the December 10, 2013 School Board Workshop, the January 16, 2014 Public Rule Development Meeting and the February 11, 2014 School Board Workshop. First reading of the policy was approved at the April 1, 2014, Regular School Board Meeting.

There is no financial impact to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

### **CC-11. Policy 4011.3 – Advertising Principalship Vacancies (Adopted)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to delete policy at this final reading. Mrs. Brinkworth was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

A committee was created to revise Policy 4002.14, Selection and Appointment of School-Based Administrators. The revisions to that policy include the process for advertising school principal vacancies.

The revisions were discussed at the December 10, 2013 School Board Workshop, the January 16, 2014 Public Rule Development Meeting and the February 11, 2014 School Board Workshop. First reading of the policy was approved at the April 1, 2014, Regular School Board Meeting.

There is no financial impact to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

### **CC-12. Policy 5006: Suspension & Expulsion (Adopted)**

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to adopt Policy 5006: Suspension & Expulsion at this final reading. Mrs. Freedman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Revisions to Policy 5006 (Suspension & Expulsion) have been made to provide clarification and information for stakeholders in understanding and implementing the Policy. Policy changes have been vetted in accordance with the process outlined in Policy 1001: Rule Adoption and Rule Making.

The revisions were discussed at the first Board Workshop on November 12, 2013; at the Public Rule Development on December 18, 2013, at the Second Board Workshop on February 25, 2014 and at the first reading at the Regular School Board Meeting on April 1, 2014. The Chart of Substantive Changes reflects the revisions for the policy.

All changes are being proposed for 2014-2015.

**Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

There is no financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Korn inquired when the recommended changes to the policy will be brought back to the Board.

Mrs. Pope informed that the workshop is scheduled for June 24, 2014.

The following individual addressed this item:

Michael Sirbola

CC-13. Policy 5.8: Code of Student Conduct (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to adopt Policy 5.8: Code of Student Conduct 2013-2016 at this final reading. Mrs. Freedman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Revisions to Policy 5.8 (Code of Student Conduct) has been made to provide clarification and information for stakeholders in understanding and implementing the Policy. Policy changes have been vetted in accordance with the process outlined in Policy 1001: Rule Adoption and Rule Making.

The revisions were discussed at the first Board Workshop on November 12, 2013; at the Public Rule Development on December 18, 2013, at the Second Board Workshop on February 25, 2014 and at the first reading at the Regular School Board Meeting on April 1, 2014. The Chart of Substantive Changes reflects the revisions for the policy.

All changes are being proposed for 2014-2015.

There is no financial impact to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

The following individuals addressed this item:

Michael Sirbola  
Jodi Klein  
Jeanne Jusevic

CC-14. Revision to Policy 1001 – Rule Adoption and Rule Making (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Murray and carried, to adopt the revisions to Policy 1001 – Rule Adoption and Rule Making at Final Reading. Mrs. Freedman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

## Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014

At the June 26, 2013 School Board Workshop, staff recommended revisions to Policy 1001 to modify the rule adoption process in an effort to reduce the time required to revise a policy.

The current policy requires five independent meetings (two workshops, one public rule development meeting, two regular school board meetings) prior to any policy revision being finalized. This process can take up to six months to complete. At the June 26, 2013 School Board Workshop, staff recommended the five-step process be consolidated to a two-step process in compliance with Florida State Statutes. The feedback provided by Board Members in response to this recommendation was to request the process consist of three meetings: School Board workshop, a public rule development meeting (second workshop), and a final adoption at a subsequent Regular School Board meeting. Additionally, the Board requested staff to work with the District Advisory Committee (DAC) to consolidate their "looping" process, as it serves as a surrogate mechanism to provide public feedback on proposed policy revisions.

**(See e-Agenda for continuation of Summary Explanation and Background.)**

Upon School Board approval, appropriate measures will be taken to communicate these revisions to all stakeholders.

There is no financial impact to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

- CC-15. Revision to Policy 1.7 – School Board-Established Advisory Committees and Appointment of A School Board Member Representative(s) to Committee(s) (Adopted)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Murray and carried, to adopt the revisions to Policy 1.7 – School Board-Established Advisory Committees and Appointment of A School Board Member Representative(s) to Committee(s) at this Final Reading. Mrs. Bartleman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

The rewrite of Policy 1.7 went to the April 1, 2014 Regular School Board Meeting for a First reading. The following four amendments were approved at that meeting.

1. Amend Policy 1.7, page 1, A.2., add verbiage to paragraph to read: .....will be placed upon a School Board Workshop agenda, in a timely manner, for discussion about the. . .

**Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

2. Amend Policy 1.7, page 2, A.7., add verbiage to end of paragraph, to read:  
....shall be conducted in as early as August and no later than September.
3. Amend Policy 1.7, page 2, A.7., add verbiage to end of paragraph, to read:  
....may not serve as an officer of that advisory committee for a period of at least ~~four~~ two (4) (2) years.
4. Amend Policy 1.7, to add a new section relative to the Audit committee, to read:  
Appointees shall be independent\* of Broward County Public Schools. \*Not receiving any compensation, including any consulting, advisory, or other compensatory fee.

**(See e-Agenda for continuation of Summary Explanation and Background.)**

Upon School Board approval, appropriate measures will be taken to communicate these revisions to all stakeholders.

There is no financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Rupert indicated that the appointee serving at the pleasure of the appointing School Board Member is not reflected in the revision of the new policy and requested that this be added.

Noting that this issue was raised, Mr. Moquin stated that appointees should be allowed to voice their own opinion and not necessarily serve at the sole pleasure of the Board. Language has been added to make sure it is clearly stated that opinions of appointees do not necessarily reflect those of individual School Board Members or the School Board as a whole. In addition, since the last workshop there was a change regarding the ability for the School Board to remove their appointee at any point in time.

Mrs. Rupert stated this did not mean she wants to pull her appointee off at any time; it refers to having the appointee pushed out of any meeting, serving at the pleasure of the School Board Member. Mrs. Rupert was of the opinion that integrity is not reflected in the new policy.

Mr. Carland referred to the new language in Section 5, page 3, and indicated the member would basically be serving and if the appointee were to exhibit behavior or conduct in violation of policy or applicable law, or for other reasons as determined by the appointing School Board Member or Superintendent, as appropriate, their appointment may be rescinded at any time.

## **Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

The following individuals addressed this item:

Michael Rajner  
Jodi Klein

Responding to Mrs. Freedman's inquiry about prohibition for Board Member appointees in gathering data (inaudible), Mr. Moquin responded that all advisory committees serve as advisory to the School Board and ultimately the Board votes on policy regarding those issues. There was a desire to ensure that the individual best represents the views of the appointing Board Member and also having the expertise on the subject in order to willfully participate in the process. Mr. Moquin reiterated that the intent is for there to be a two-way communication between the Board Member and the appointee so that they can apprise the Board Members about current business amongst committees and express views.

Remarking that there are no prohibitions, Mr. Moquin stated that after the policy is adopted there will be a policy that is unique to Board Members that will further stipulate certain parameters on how they function.

Mrs. Rich Levinson stated that appointees gather input and bring it back to the Board Members, not to drive the agenda of various committees.

Responding to Mrs. Good's inquiry about the looping process of an item presented at a workshop, Mr. Moquin stated that Policy 1164 Communication and Public Engagement addresses the looping process, through consensus of the School Board or the Superintendent to request an item to be looped.

Mrs. Good stated the Board does not dictate to the committees when items are placed on the agenda. She indicated there is a certain level of independence and once the Board Member selects an individual they feel is most suited for that role or that committee and they are going to bring value to that committee, through the dialogue of that committee structure there will be benefit to the district.

Mrs. Freedman requested staff meet with her to discuss this policy.

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



EE. OFFICE OF STRATEGY & OPERATIONS

EE-1. Transportation Agreements for City and Non-Profit Organization Recreation Programs (Approved)

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

The transportation agreements allow the cities and non-profit organizations to utilize District school buses for city/organizational sponsored recreation programs and events that are dependent on transportation. City/organization sponsored recreation programs provide a valuable service to their respective communities.

Transportation services will be provided during the times school buses are not being utilized for service to Broward County Public Schools. After School Programs, Inc., (non-profit organization), the City of Lauderdale Lakes, New Horizon Community Development Corporation, Inc., (non-profit organization), the City of Plantation, and the City of Pompano Beach will reimburse the District for the full cost of this service at the approved reimbursement rate. This reimbursement rate fully covers the costs incurred by the District.

These agreements have been reviewed and approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel.

The cities and non-profit organizations will reimburse the District for the cost of this service at the current approved reimbursement rate of \$70 per hour.

Mrs. Rich Levinson inquired whether this amount was charged last year and is it a sufficient amount to cover the costs.

Eric Chisem, Task Assigned, Student Transportation & Fleet Service, responded affirmatively.

Ms. Murray inquired whether there is a guarantee when the district contracts out to private groups.

Mr. Chisem responded that the service is for four (4) hours.

**Approved in Open Board Meeting, May 20, 2014**

EE-2. 2014 Opening and Closing School Times (Summer Term) (Approved)

Motion was made by Dr. Osgood, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to approve the 2014 Opening and Closing School Times (Summer Term). (9-0 vote)

School times are scheduled to open and close at times that will best utilize existing resources to provide required student transportation services and compensate for student and program growth. In order to improve efficiency and reduce operational costs, Student Transportation & Fleet Services has staggered summer school times to offset the non-funded 3rd grade reading camp program and to maximize the utilization of our school bus fleet.

School times are scheduled to minimize operational costs to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

EE-3. Contract Renewal – RFP 10-019V – Banking Services (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Murray and carried, to approve to renew RFP 10-019V – Banking Services. Mrs. Bartleman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

It is recommended that the contract with Bank of America, N.A., be renewed for an additional year from June 2, 2014, through June 1, 2015, in accordance with Special Condition 8.1 of the RFP.

This is the second and final renewal of this contract. Bank of America is the District's depository through which all banking functions including payroll, accounts payable, investments and any other financial transactions are performed. This recommendation to renew this contract is based on a supplier evaluation rating of "Very Good". This contract extension will allow the Treasurer's Office to continue purchasing banking services as required through June 1, 2015.

This Agreement has been reviewed and approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel.

The District's banking fees are based on volume of activities. The charge per service has not increased since the contract was awarded five (5) years ago. In the last five years, the district has averaged expenditures of \$260,000 per year. For this final renewal period, we are requesting approval of an amount not to exceed \$275,000. Funds will be budgeted under the Treasurer's Office.

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Mrs. Rich Levinson indicated the Board has previously discussed going out to bid prior to a second renewal in the future, not having long-term contracts, and to have the ability to go out to bid on the items a little more frequently than in the past.

Concurring, L. Benjamin Leong, Chief Financial Officer, stated the item will immediately go out for an RFP, as indicated in the agenda item.

EE-4. Ellevation – Software System (Not Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Dr. Osgood, to approve the purchase of Ellevation for the English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program. Mrs. Bartleman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

The Ellevation platform puts all information and data about English Language Learners (ELLs) in one place. This platform will enhance instruction, ensure compliance with State and Title III requirements, and improve monitoring of the ESOL program across the District.

School Board Policy 3320, Part II (H), authorizes the purchase of any type of copyrighted materials, instructional materials, and computer software without competitive solicitations. However, purchases in excess of \$50,000 for commodities or services, for which competitive solicitations have been waived, require School Board approval. Ellevation, through Ellevation, LLC, is the sole source supplier. The proposal being submitted for School Board approval consists of 500 subscriptions for all schools including charter schools.

There is a financial impact of \$170,125. The source of funds is the Information & Technology general fund budget.

Mrs. Good indicated that a memorandum was submitted to vote down this item, and the Board will indicate a "yes" to vote down the item.

Mr. Carland concurred.

EE-5. Ellevation – Software System (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Murray and carried, to approve the purchase of Ellevation, a software platform for instructional and data management that supports the English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program. This item was revised to correct scrivener's error on page 2 of 8, 2.03 Pricing. Mrs. Freedman and Mrs. Rich Levinson were absent for the vote. (7-0 vote)

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School Board Policy 3320, Part II (H), authorizes the purchase of any type of copyrighted materials, instructional materials, and computer software without competitive solicitations. However, purchases in excess of \$50,000 for commodities or services, for which competitive solicitations have been waived, require School Board approval. Ellevation, through Ellevation, LLC, is the sole source supplier. The proposal being submitted for School Board approval consists of a total of 700 Ellevation software one-year renewable subscriptions for all schools including charter schools.

This agreement was approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel.

There is a financial impact of \$200,125. The source of funds is the Information & Technology general fund budget and Title III grant budget. The funding breakdown is as follows: I&T General Funds – \$170,125 Title III – \$30,000.

Mrs. Freedman discussed her concerns regarding the generic log-in that the district has procured with the vendor as part of this agreement (tape inaudible).

Myra Burden, Director, Technology, Planning & Policy, indicated that previously the Board requested staff to speak with the vendor regarding the initial 500 licenses that would allow input of selected staff. There is now 350 full access licenses and 350 view-only licenses, generic licenses. Ellevation's operational security maintains a history of record level access which users have accessed the data for a particular student in that platform. In addition, Ellevation has its own dedicated database for student teacher, school and test score data for every district, including Broward County, and they do maintain a record of who has accessed the data. For each of those generic log-ins the only data that will be accessible by that school is that school's data.

Jose Dotres, Chief Academic Officer, indicated that an ESOL teacher with 32 students will only input information for those students and only view for those students. In many cases the platform is used as a facilitator role; a school that has a small number of ELL students, the facilitator will have access across the Board to all those students.

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Superintendent Runcie assured that the implementation and technology in this district is such that the roles and profiles are identified of individuals that have access to student records. There is an appropriate match to what they have access to in their particular job responsibilities. The district implements systems in accordance with Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act Regulations (FERPA) policies and whatever other guidelines are applicable to school district student records.

Mrs. Bartleman thanked Victoria Saldala, Director, ESOL, for reviewing the Title III funding and having Title III pay for the training which supports the district to purchase more licenses/subscriptions.

Mrs. Brinkworth inquired about the manner in which teachers will be able to access the information and whether they will be able to access through Virtual Counselor. She stated the district needs to create an opportunity for teachers to use this program by offering a simple and user-friendly access.

Mrs. Saldala responded that at this time it will not be available through Virtual Counsel, it is a web-based application and teachers will have to go to the particular URL or website to access this software.

EE-6. Grant Applications – Pre-submission (Approved)

Motion was made by Ms. Murray, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to approve the submission of the following grant applications:  
Mrs. Freedman and Mrs. Rich Levinson were absent for the vote.  
(7-0 vote)

- A. Head Start/Early Head Start Supplemental Application, \$965,806 requested from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, along with a required \$241,451 cash match from the District for a total of \$1,207,257

A copy of the Grant Application is available at the Board Members' Office on the 14<sup>th</sup> floor of the K. C. Wright Administration Center and the Executive Summary is available online via the Broward County Public Schools eAgenda at: <http://eagenda3.broward.k12.fl.us/cgi-bin/WebObjects/eAgenda>.

The positive financial impact is \$965,806 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. These funds (\$965,806) will cover 80% of the Head Start/Early Head Start program's supplemental cost. Receipt of the \$965,806 supplemental funds is contingent upon the District providing the required 20% cash match (approximately \$241,451).

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The exact amount of cash match may vary based upon negotiated pay raises and changes in staff's positions. Funds for the required match will be allocated from Fund Number 1010, General Grant Match.

No discussion was held on this item.

EE-7. Grant Applications – Post-submission (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Ms. Murray and carried, to approve the submission of the following grant applications:

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

- A. Elmer's Teacher Toolkit, \$500 (requested)
- B. Fuel Up to Play 60, \$3,600 (awarded)
- C. In School Youth Funds, \$709,822 (requested)
- D. National Science Foundation STEM - C Partnerships: MSP, \$7,492,405 (requested)
- E. National Science Foundation CNS-Computing Ed for 21<sup>st</sup> Century: BPEC-FACTS, \$599,463 (requested)
- F. Second Chance Act Technology Career Training, \$749,030 (requested)
- G. Target Field Trip Grant, \$700 (awarded)

Copies of the Grant Applications are available at the Board Members' Office on the 14th floor of the K. C. Wright Administration Center and Executive Summaries are available online via the Broward County Public Schools eAgenda at:

<http://eagenda3.broward.k12.fl.us/cgi-bin/WebObjects/eAgenda>.

The positive potential financial impact, if all projects are funded, is \$9,555,520 from various sources. There is no additional financial impact to the District.

Mrs. Rupert recognized Principal Francine Baugh, Deerfield Beach Middle School and Stephanie Pollard, Reading Coach, for seeking the Target Field Trip Grant to provide students the opportunity to connect with local businesses to explore business opportunities.

Ms. Murray recognized the Fuel Up to Play 60, \$3,600 grant award to Driftwood Middle School, keeping in line with their care and interest in environmental issues.

Mrs. Rich Levinson recognized the National Science Foundation STEM - C Partnerships: MSP - Investigating the Impact of Linking Educational Employment Opportunities (LEEO) on Student Achievement, \$7,492,405 grant; and the National Science Foundation CNS-Computing Ed for 21<sup>st</sup> Century: BPEC-FACTS, \$599,463 grant.

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Mrs. Korn recognized all schools and individuals (as indicated in the agenda item), for going above and beyond to apply for and have grants awarded.

EE-8. Additional Recommendation – 10-080N – Research and Program Evaluation Consultant Services (Not Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn, to approve the additional expenditure for 10-080N – Research and Program Evaluation Consultant Services. Mrs. Freedman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

This contract provides research and program evaluation services for the District. Services may include, but are not limited to, needs assessments, development of evaluation plans and research designs, data collection (e.g. surveys, focus groups), data analysis, instrument or test development, policy review, interpretation of results, and preparation of recommended reports. There has been an increase in the use of the projects that require this type of service.

It is recommended that the School Board authorize an additional expenditure of \$350,000 to the subject contract, which will cover the expenditures for an additional 16 months for the term of the contract. The amount of the recommended spending authority is available from funds already included in the District budget. This recommendation will allow the various locations to continue purchasing through June 30, 2015.

10-080N was previously approved on April 23, 2010, with a spending authority of \$400,000. This recommendation is for an additional \$350,000 and will provide for an approximate total expenditure of \$750,000.

Mrs. Good indicated that a memorandum was submitted to vote down this item, and the Board will indicate a "yes" to vote down the item.

## FF. OFFICE OF ACADEMICS

FF-1. New Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida and Broward College (Approved)

Motion was made by Ms. Murray, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to approve the new agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida and Broward College. (9-0 vote)

The agreement period upon execution by both parties through June 30, 2015.

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Broward College, Talent Development and the Office of Academics will partner to provide professional learning opportunities for mathematics and science teachers at Lauderhill 6-12 and pre-service teachers at Broward College. This initiative will provide an innovative, student-centered learning community approach in which both pre-service and in-service teachers will collaborate to implement the Project Lead the Way (PLTW) program at Lauderhill 6-12. PLTW is an integrated engineering program offered within mathematics and science and Broward College will train pre-service teachers in PLTW prior to clinical placement at Lauderhill 6-12.

Additionally, Broward College's Exceptional Student Education (ESE) pre-service teachers will support struggling students in all curriculum areas at Lauderhill 6-12. Broward College and Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) will co-sponsor the cost of the professional learning and each provides \$12,500 to a fund for related expenses for a total fund of \$25,000.

This agreement has been reviewed and approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel.

The financial impact to the District is \$12,500. The source of the funds is from the Lauderhill 6-12 Title I grant school allocation for Professional Learning.

There is no additional financial impact to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

Following the vote on the item, Mrs. Good, on behalf of the School Board, spoke of the leadership and passion of Marie Wright, Ph.D., Executive Director, Instruction & Interventions, and extended best wishes to her in her new endeavor.

Indicating that Dr. Wright is an incredibly intelligent woman and she will be missed, Mr. Dotres stated she will continue to be an incredible partner for the school district with Broward College. Mr. Dotres thanked Dr. Wright for her commitment and hard work.

FF-2. New Agreement with The Center for College and Career Readiness  
(Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Rich Levinson and carried, to approve the agreement with The School Board of Broward County, Florida and The Center for College and Career Readiness.  
(9-0 vote)



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The state of Florida will fully implement the new Florida Standards for Literacy and Mathematics, aligned to College and Career Readiness Standards, beginning in the 2014-2015 school year. It is critical that we implement a system-wide, purposeful strategy of professional learning, which includes district leaders, school based administrators, instructional coaches and teacher leaders to effectively lead and coach curriculum, lesson plans, instruction and accountable student collaborations which meet College & Career requirements for difficulty and complexity.

The Center for College & Career Readiness is a non-profit, 501(C)3 training and research organization that provides services to more than one third of America's school districts working to implement College & Career Readiness initiatives to build capacity among school leaders and teachers for improved student outcomes. This partnership seamlessly extends the professional learning framework utilized during the blended implementation of state standards and Common Core Standards. This agreement has been reviewed and approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel.

The estimated financial impact to the district is \$985,000. The source of these funds is grant funded. There is no additional impact to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

- FF-3. Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida and The University Florida Board of Trustees, Gainesville, Florida  
(Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Dr. Osgood and carried, to approve the Agreement between The University of Florida and The School Board of Broward County, Florida, to enter into a Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement. (9-0 vote)

As specified in Florida Statute (F.S. 1007.235), The University of Florida and The School Board of Broward County, Florida, may enter into a Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement to offer specific dual enrollment courses and establish criteria for high school student eligibility. This arrangement would provide an opportunity for eligible students to complete high-rigor university level courses necessary to complete a four-year degree, while also completing a high school diploma. This dual enrollment agreement will expire on June 30, 2015. For additional information, please see the Executive Summary.

This agreement has been reviewed and approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel.

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The estimated financial impact to the District is \$179,088. The source of funds is the general fund. There is no additional financial impact to the District.

Mrs. Bartleman requested an explanation of the process to ensure there is equal student distribution.

Dr. DeSanctis informed that the agreement for dual enrollment, previously a pilot program, involves an open, unlimited access to all students to the online dual enrollment courses. There were only ten (10) courses in the first agreement and now there will be 20 courses opened; there is no restriction to the number of students, but the GPA and their college writing scores remain the same as the previous agreement.

Mr. Dotres assured the Board that every child and school will be made aware of this opportunity, and a consistent approach will be taken with a follow-through of what staff has started.

Mrs. Rich Levinson inquired about the projection of the financial impact.

Dr. Wright indicated that the projection is being made on the historical analysis of the students who took advantage this year and looking at the students that would be qualified based on the GPA and test scores.

Mrs. Rich Levinson voiced concern that there will be a larger financial impact when it is opened up for unlimited courses.

Dr. Wright noted that per statute the school district cannot limit the number of students, except for the post-secondary institution. With the first agreement the University of Florida did not want to open it up unlimited because it was their first semester as a pilot phase.

Mrs. Rich Levinson requested staff to review dual enrollment as a whole; the options, what the district is offering in all colleges to ensure the right apportionment is available and determine how the district is spending the money. She further requested that this be monitored carefully.

Mr. Dotres noted that the University of Florida is paying for all instructional materials associated with this course work.

Mrs. Freedman commended staff for bringing forward this agreement, as it is essential for students wishing to attend a university.

The following individual addressed this item:

Michael Sirbola

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- FF-4. Agreement between the College Board and The School Board of Broward County, Florida to participate in the AP Opportunity Program  
(Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to approve the Agreement between the College Board and The School Board of Broward County Florida to participate in the AP Opportunity Program. (9-0 vote)

Two high schools that qualify for funding to commence new Advanced Placement classes were selected to help achieve the national goal of increasing the availability of AP classes to students who are academically ready for the rigor, but are socioeconomically disadvantaged. The agreement period is from April 15, 2014 to December 31, 2019.

This agreement has been reviewed and approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel.

The positive financial impact to the District is \$75,940. The source of the funds is the College Board. There is no financial impact to the district.

Mrs. Rupert spoke about having a workshop to discuss accountability and the Superintendent having increased Advanced Placement (AP) enrollment, Level 3 and above. The increase in traditionally under-represented students earning a Level 3 and above was more than 1,500 students. Mrs. Rupert stated this reflects on the accountability and expectations of students, and it is a step in the right direction.

Mr. Runcie stated that having access to AP programs is critical and it is essential that it is available as widely as possible, ensuring that the proper supports surround students so they can succeed.

Dr. DeSanctis informed that the tests the students take are district costs; these funds are for the instructional resources and the College Board summer academies to make sure teachers are well equipped to teach those classes.

Mrs. Korn stated when reviewing next year's budget, when offering more AP courses the district should anticipate the funding for those AP tests. Mrs. Korn requested information on how the schools get charged when there are make-up Advanced Placement tests and how is that cost handled at the school level.

Mrs. Brinkworth said she was excited for the opportunity that this agreement provides students at Dillard and Stranahan high schools.

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**FF-5. Continuation of Cooperative Agreement and Calendars with Preschool Providers for Exceptional Students (Approved)**

Motion was made by Ms. Murray, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to approve the continuation of the Cooperative Agreements and Calendars between The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC) and Preschool Providers for Exceptional Students. (9-0 vote)

SBBC is required under federal legislation to educate all identified preschool children with disabilities. The SBBC has entered into agreements with Ann Storck Center, Inc., ARC Broward, Inc., Broward Children's Center, Inc., Nova Southeastern University, Inc., and United Cerebral Palsy of Broward County, Inc., for more than twenty-three years. Since federal legislation supports the inclusion of preschool children with disabilities with their typical peers for more that eight years, preschool exceptional students have participated in an instructional program with typical developing preschoolers at North Lauderdale Educational Center, Inc. (Alphabetland).

In 2007-2008 Baby Boomers, Inc., included preschool children with disabilities in their classrooms with typical four-year-old children. These community sites have the commitment and the expertise needed to educate eligible preschool exceptional students as defined by State Board of Education Rules. The students may be emotional behavioral disabled, intellectually disabled, autistic spectrum disabled, physically impaired, other health impaired, speech impaired, language impaired, deaf and hard of hearing, visually impaired and /or developmentally delayed. The continuation contracts reflect a funding structure based on per student allocation.

Transportation will continue as a support service for preschoolers in these contracts.

These agreements have been reviewed and approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel.

All costs for provision of services are funded through FTE earnings up to \$9,438,736. There is an additional financial impact to the District for transportation of \$724,875. Transportation costs are from the general fund.

There is no additional financial impact to the district.

No discussion was held on this item.

**GG. OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES**

**HH. OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL**

- HH-1. Settlement Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida; Ashbritt, Inc.; and Nations Roof, LLC (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to approve the Settlement Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida; Ashbritt, Inc.; and Nations Roof, LLC. (9-0 vote)

This Agreement is the result of efforts to resolve differences and disputes between Ashbritt, Inc., ("Ashbritt"), Nations Roof, LLC ("Nations") and The School Board of Broward County, Florida (the "SBBC") arising out of the payment for emergency, post-Hurricane Wilma (the "Storm") repair work and services performed in late 2005. Hurricane Wilma struck South Florida on October 24, 2005 and caused significant damage to Broward County School District schools. Due to the extent and severity of the damage to the public infrastructure in Broward County, Governor Jeb Bush, through executive order, suspended certain public procurement policies including the requirement to obtain competitive bids for certain contracted work. Following the Storm, the District Superintendent directed the District's Facilities & Construction Management Department to begin the repair and rehabilitation process by engaging various contractors to repair and remediate the damage caused by the Storm to school portable classrooms at several school locations throughout Broward County.

The Storm damage to portables consisted of damage to roofs from severe hurricane force winds and water damage to portable interiors from subsequent rainfall. Accordingly, the District issued Purchase Order #2600018029T for the "purchase of emergency repair and related services necessitated by Hurricane Wilma at District locations." Such work was performed by Ashbritt, Nations, and C&B Services, Inc., ("C&B").

In January of 2006, the Office of the Chief Auditor ("OCA") commenced an internal audit engagement examining documentation of services performed by Ashbritt and C&B and the related invoices submitted for payment of their services. The OCA prepared an "Audit of the Ashbritt, Inc., and C&B Services Invoice for District Portable Repairs Related to Hurricane Wilma" which resulted in the OCA suggesting remediation and actions including, but not limited to, a request for reimbursement from Ashbritt for alleged overbilling.

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On or about November 2, 2010, Ashbritt filed a Complaint against the SBBC styled Ashbritt, Inc. vs. The School Board of Broward County, Florida, in Broward County Case Number 10-43869 (18) seeking a declaration from the Court that it was entitled to all sums paid to it by the SBBC. The SBBC counterclaimed for reimbursement of per diem payments and added Nations as a Third Party Defendant.

Through settlement negotiations, Ashbritt and Nations have agreed to provide compensation to the SBBC in the total amount of \$210,000 in full and complete settlement of the lawsuit (the "Settlement Sum").

This item resolves and settles the litigation between the SBBC, Ashbritt, and Nations. District staff, cadre counsel, and the Office of the General Counsel recommend approval of the Settlement Agreement as a fair, reasonable, and cost-effective resolution of the dispute between the parties.

There is a positive financial impact to the district in the amount of \$210,000.

No discussion was held on this item.

HH-2. Employment Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida and Tria Lawton-Russell (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Korn, seconded by Mrs. Rupert and carried, to approve the Employment Agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida and Tria Lawton-Russell. (9-0 vote)

On May 21, 2013, the Board approved the addition of an Administrative Counsel position in the Office of the Superintendent to handle administrative/employee discipline matters. The position was advertised on August 30, 2013 and applications and resumes were accepted during the period of August 30, 2013 to October 1, 2013. A total of thirty-seven (37) applications were received. The applications were screened and seven (7) candidates were recommended for interview.

Interviews were conducted on January 15, 2014. The interview team consisted of J. Paul Carland, II, General Counsel; Marylin Batista-McNamara, Deputy Counsel; Dorothy Davis, (Acting) Director, Employee and Labor Relations, Lorenzo Calhoun, Specialist, Employee and Labor Relations, and David Golt, Chief of Police. The interview team reached consensus that Tria Lawton-Russell was the most qualified candidate for the position. Ms. Tria Lawton-Russell has been a practicing attorney for more than thirteen (13) years, specializing in litigation.

Ms. Lawton-Russell's application and resume are attached. The Superintendent, J. Paul Carland, II, General Counsel, and Amanda Bailey, Acting Chief Human Resources Officer, interviewed Ms. Tria Lawton-Russell and concurred with the selection.

Ms. Lawton-Russell was notified that she was the successful candidate and she accepted the position. A contract was negotiated with Ms. Lawton-Russell, which is attached. The salary of \$83,000 was negotiated based on Ms. Lawton-Russell's experience and qualifications and is below the average salary for comparable in-house attorneys in Florida school districts.

The annual financial impact to the District, including benefits, is \$104,336. The source of funds is the Superintendent's department budget.

No discussion was held on this item.

## II. OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

### II-1. Agreement with Learning Sciences International (LSI), LLC for Professional Learning to Use the iObservation Fidelity Module (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to approve Agreement between SBBC and LSI for: 1) Four days of professional learning for Observer Cadre, and 2) Virtual training for ten individuals (session managers) to use the iObservation Fidelity Module and administer assessments to new and practicing observers for calibration and credentialing. Mrs. Freedman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

#### **1) Professional Learning for BrIDGES Observer Cadre (TOP)**

A critical foundational factor in determining validity and reliability of evidence collected using the Marzano model is the level of expertise the observer exhibits in using the evaluation instrument. If those being observed view this level of expertise as high, then the confidence level of those being observed will be high with respect to the results of their observation. The Office of Talent Development identified 50 administrators to be part of the Broward's Instructional Development and Growth Evaluation system (BrIDGES) Observer Cadre – Transforming Observational Practice (TOP). This *Observer Cadre* of Principals and Assistant Principals was selected from qualified applicants to deepen their knowledge of the Marzano Instructional Practice Framework and build the capacity of Marzano expert observers in our District.

**(See e-Agenda for continuation of Summary Explanation and Background.)**

This Agreement has been reviewed and approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel.

There is no financial impact to the general fund. The Agreement in the amount of \$26,990 will be paid from RTTT Funds.

Mrs. Bartleman thanked Elisa Calabrese, Ed.D., Chief Talent Development Officer, for meeting with her to discuss this program. She indicated if a teacher takes 36 hours of every module of the program they would have the opportunity to get their in-service credit.

II-2. Agreement between the SBBC and Learning Sciences International (LSI), LLC for District Licensing of iObservation (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to approve Agreement with Learning Sciences International, LLC, to continue providing District licenses and professional services for the Teacher Evaluation management system iObservation. Mrs. Freedman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

Teacher Evaluation System: District wide licenses for the following:  
1) iObservation Tool and Resource Library for Teacher Observation, 2) Online Program of Study for Teachers, and 3) Fidelity Module for calibrating, assessing and certifying observer accuracy to sustain the Observer Credentialing process.

**1) iObservation Tool**

In 2011, Broward County Schools adopted the Marzano Causal Model of Teacher Evaluation. Since the implementation of the Teacher Evaluation System in 2011, the iObservation tool has been used to collect, manage, and report longitudinal data from classroom walkthroughs, and both informal and formal teacher observations.

**(See e-Agenda for continuation of Summary Explanation and Background.)**

This Agreement has been reviewed and approved as to form and legal content by the Office of the General Counsel.

There is no financial impact to the general fund. The Agreement in the amount of \$486,400 will be paid from RTTT funds.

No discussion was held on this item.



JJ. OFFICE OF FACILITIES & CONSTRUCTION

- JJ-1. Change Order #4 – Dania Elementary – Vaughn, Wunsch, Masullo Architects, P.A. – Fire Sprinkler Protection and Fire Alarm System Replacement – Project No. P.000012 (Not Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn, to approve Change Order #4, Dania Elementary, Vaughn, Wunsch, Masullo Architects, P.A., Fire Sprinkler Protection and Fire Alarm System Replacement, Project No. P.000012, in the amount of \$46,796, 864 days, and increase the Budget by \$150,192 which will come from the Capital Projects Reserve. Mrs. Freedman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

<u>Dania Elementary</u>		Change Order 04	\$46,796
Consultant Error	\$1,632		
Consultant Omission	\$20,435		
Unforeseen Condition	\$24,729		

Refer to Exhibits 1 and 3 for detailed information. Additional Budget is being requested to cover the additional costs associated with the project.

Based on the Project Funds Allocation, there is an additional financial impact of \$150,192 which will come from the Capital Projects Reserve.

Mrs. Good indicated that a memorandum was submitted to vote down this item, and the Board will indicate a "yes" to vote down the item.

- JJ-2. Replacement of the Existing Scoreboard – Regional Athletic Facility – Blanche Ely High School, Pompano Beach – Project No. P.000067 (f.k.a. 0361-25-01) (Approved)

Motion was made by Mrs. Rupert, seconded by Mrs. Korn and carried, to approve a funding increase for the Replacement of the Existing Scoreboard, Regional Athletic Facility, Blanche Ely High School, Pompano Beach, Project No. P.000067, in the amount of \$8,000, which will come from the Capital Projects Reserve. The total approved project budget will be \$115,000. Mrs. Freedman was absent for the vote. (8-0 vote)

The original capital funding of \$55,000 was Board approved on February 22, 2012 for a new, larger scoreboard with the balance of the cost of the new scoreboard to be raised by the School's Administration, in the form of donations from alumni and other community supporters. The funds for the overall budget of \$107,000 is currently available, however; the best negotiated project cost from an approved contractor is \$115,000 which is \$8,000 above the total funds available.

The project was previously bid twice, with the price coming in significantly higher after the last bid. Utilizing the recently awarded  
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Construction Services Minor Projects agreement, the vendor provided the best opportunity to negotiate the price, with the least possible impact to the District.

The total approved project budget will be \$115,000. There will be an additional financial impact of \$8,000, which will come from the Capital Projects Reserve.

Mrs. Rupert thanked the Superintendent and staff for meeting with her to discuss the Blanche Ely issue with the scoreboard, and for their efforts in bringing forward the item.

**KK. OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

**LL. OFFICE OF PORTFOLIO SERVICES**

**Adjournment** This meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

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