

Inverness, Florida
April 9, 2019

An Administrative Hearing, Regular Meeting and Public Hearing were held at the District Services Center located at 1007 West Main Street, Inverness, Florida on Tuesday, April 9, 2019. Present: Mike Mullen, Assistant Superintendent; Thomas Kennedy – Chairman; Sandra Counts – Vice Chairman; School Board Members: Virginia Bryant, Douglas A. Dodd and Linda B. Powers. Also in attendance, R. Wesley Bradshaw, School Board Attorney.

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

The Administrative Hearing was opened at 3:00 p.m.

Upon motions made, seconded and approved, an expulsion was directed in Case No. 19-89, 19-90 and 19-95.

The Administrative Hearing was closed at 3:26 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Kennedy opened the Regular Meeting at 4:01 p.m. Sandra Counts had opening exercises, and with April being National Autism Awareness month, she invited Lynn Kirby, Director of Exceptional Student Education, to speak about autism. Mrs. Kirby read a few paragraphs written by a former Citrus County School student about her life and experiences living with autism. Mrs. Kirby introduced Fire Fighters Chris Carravetto, Vincent Lanzarone and Scottie McLain from the Citrus County Fire Department and mentioned that they were selling t-shirts as a fundraiser for autism. She explained that all monies raised from that fund raiser went to the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD), out of the University of Florida, and aimed solely at Citrus County to help families of children with autism. Ms. Counts then asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA AS RECOMMENDED BY SUPERINTENDENT

Chairman Kennedy requested the approval of the donation of NASA Artifacts valued at \$25,476.23 (computer equipment is valued at \$16,476.23 and Space Glove \$9,000) to Inverness Middle School and the approval of the Grant of \$1,000 to Inverness Middle School from Walmart be added to the agenda under section VII E for good cause.

Douglas Dodd moved to approve the adoption of the agenda as recommended by the Superintendent with modifications; seconded by Linda Powers and carried unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA – (Recognition of donations)

Virginia Bryant moved to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Linda Powers and carried unanimously. The Executive Secretary to the School Board read the donations on to the record.

PRESENTATION

Update on YMCA Programs in the Schools and Video on YMCA Academic Enrichment Program

Joanna Castle, District Vice President of the Citrus County YMCA, gave a brief overview of the programs that are provided by the YMCA in conjunction with Citrus County Schools. She mentioned that it has been a very strong relationship for many years through the Before and After School Program, the Academic Enrichment Program and the Youth Sports Program. Ms. Castle shared that the YMCA's largest program offered was the Before and After School Program where students received homework assistance, creative arts experiences, physical activity, healthy snacks and so much more. They currently service 800 students daily with quality child care through that program. She stated that through charitable giving the YMCA was able to offer financial assistance to ensure that YMCA opportunities were opened to all. Ms. Castle also mentioned that all students enrolled in the Before and After School Program receive a free membership to the YMCA facility in Lecanto and a discount is offered to their families. The YMCA also extends discounts to Citrus County School Board employees. Ms. Castle mentioned that the Academic Enrichment Program was launched 4 years ago, and its purpose was to provide educational assistance to at-risk students in the first grade to maintain or achieve grade level. She presented a short video on the Academic Enrichment Program that highlighted the tremendous impact it has had on all students and shared that they will continue to provide the program next year.

OTHER BUSINESS

Hospital Board Discussion

Sandra Counts mentioned that she was ready to make a motion that the Board did not accept the recommendation from the Hospital Board to assume their ownership; seconded by Virginia Bryant. Ms. Counts stated she couldn't find any benefit to the students or the teachers in the classrooms. It was shared by the Board that it was the district's mission to educate children. After discussion, a vote was taken and carried unanimously.

SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES, JONNY BISHOP

B. Human Resources, Suzy Swain

- 1) Approved the Instructional and Support Recommendations (copy in supplemental file)

Douglas Dodd moved to approve the Instructional and Support Recommendations; seconded by Virginia Bryant and carried unanimously.

- D. Risk Management, Cheri Cernich
 - 1) Approved the Safety and Security of School Buildings Grant from the Florida Department of Education for \$532,909.00 (copy in supplemental file)

Sandra Counts moved to approve the Safety and Security of School Buildings Grant from the Florida Department of Education for \$532,909.00; seconded by Douglas Dodd. There was much discussion on the amount of the grant and how the monies would be spent. After discussion, a vote was taken and carried unanimously.

Chairman Kennedy recessed the Regular Meeting at 5:00 p.m. and opened the Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING: 5:00 P.M.

- A. Approved/adopted the new Policy 3.61 Religious Expression in Public Schools (copy in supplemental file)
- B. Approved/adopted the revision of Policy 4.65 Virtual Instruction (copy in supplemental file)
- C. Approved/adopted the revision of Policy 5.09 Requirements for Original Entry (copy in supplemental file)
- D. Approved/adopted the revision of Policy 6.27 Report of Misconduct (copy in supplemental file)
- E. Approved/adopted the new Policy 7.26 Hospitality Funds (copy in supplemental file)
- F. Adopted Attendance Boundary Maps for the 2019-20 School Year (same attendance boundaries as 2018-19) (available at District Student Services Center)

Chuck Dixon, Director of Planning and Growth Management, requested approval for items A through E. Chairman Kennedy called for public input on items A through E. There being none, a vote was taken and carried unanimously.

Mr. Dixon requested approval to adopt Attendance Boundary maps for the 2019-20 school year. He explained that annually school enrollment and attendance was reviewed to determine if the attendance boundaries needed to be adjusted. He shared there were no changes proposed for the 2019-20 school year. Chairman Kennedy called for public input on item F. Attendance Boundaries Maps. There being none, a vote was taken to adopt Attendance Boundary Maps for the 2019-20 School Year (same attendance boundaries as 2018-19) and carried unanimously.

Chairman Kennedy closed the Public Hearing at 5:05 p.m. and reopened the Regular Meeting.

REGULAR MEETING - continued

- E. Approved the donation of NASA Artifacts valued at \$25,476.23. (computer equipment is valued at \$16,476.23 and Space Glove \$9,000) to Inverness Middle School (copy in supplemental file)

Approved the Grant of \$1,000 to Inverness Middle School from Walmart (copy in supplemental file)

Sandra Counts motioned to approve the donation of NASA Artifacts valued at \$25,476.23 (computer equipment is valued at \$16,476.23 and Space Glove \$9,000) to Inverness Middle School and the Grant of \$1,000 to Inverness Middle School from Walmart; seconded by Douglas Dodd and carried unanimously.

FINANCE, MIKE MULLEN

U. Approved the purchase of BoardDocs

Kathy Androski, Coordinator of Informational Services, requested approval for the purchase of BoardDocs, a Board meeting management software, and presented a short Power Point (copy in supplemental file) highlighting some of the features of the software.

Chairman Kennedy paused the Regular Meeting at 5:15 p.m. for Citizen Comments.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Chairman Kennedy read policy and statement for public speakers.

Suzie Martin provided public input on the Guardian Program. Shared her concerns about the possibility of arming teachers and/or administrators with guns.

Victoria Smith, President of the CCEA, provide public input on arming teachers in the classroom and shared her concerns.

FINANCE, MIKE MULLEN - continued

U. Approved the purchase of BoardDocs

Questions were asked and answered regarding BoardDocs and it's benefits to the district. After discussion, Douglas Dodd moved to approve the purchase of BoardDocs; seconded by Sandra Counts and carried unanimously.

BUDGET UPDATE

Tammy Wilson, Director of Finance, discussed the Citrus County vs. Statewide impact for Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP). She explained the district processes for determining a budget for the 2019-2020 school year. She shared that at this time the district had come up with some preliminary figures, and not until there was an actual budget from FEFP, would the district be able to make better decisions such as possible cuts.

ATTORNEY, LEGAL MATTERS

None

APPROVE MINUTES

Linda Powers moved to approve the minutes of the Administrative Hearing, Special Meeting and Workshop of February 26, 2019 and the Workshop, Administrative

Hearing, Regular Meeting and Public Hearing of March 12, 2019; seconded by Sandra Counts and carried unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT NEEDS TO COME BEFORE THE SCHOOL BOARD

Douglas Dodd mentioned how pleased he was to know that the School Safety Volunteers training had started. He spoke about his trip to Tallahassee for Florida School Board Association's Day in the Legislature and how he was more encouraged this year than last. Mr. Dodd mentioned there were students at Withlacoochee Technical College that were competing at State level at SkillsUSA and hoped they made it to Nationals. He shared that he was attending the Newspaper in Education recognition event where Donald Whitaker, a teacher at Inverness Middle School, was named the Newspaper in Education 2019 Teacher of the Year. Mr. Dodd reminded everyone that April 20th was the 20th year anniversary of the Columbine High School tragedy where 13 people lost their lives. He said that tragedy was still very much on everyone's mind and was another reason for the district to do everything they could to protect students and staff at schools.

Virginia Bryant mentioned she would be attending a Florida School Board Insurance Trust (FSBIT) meeting in Orlando and the Homosassa SAC meeting was coming up.

Linda Powers commended Gloria Bishop for the good job she was doing for Withlacoochee Technical College, reaching out to the community and getting people involved. She also expressed how thrilled she was to see that teachers were participating in many fundraiser events to help raise money for Habitat for Humanity.

Sandra Counts mentioned she attended the School House Hustle. She also mentioned that Citrus Springs Elementary School desperately needed a golf cart for their campus.

Thomas Kennedy complimented Mr. Mullen and his wife, Marsha Mullen, for their involvement in the School House Hustle and thanked everyone for supporting the Education Foundation. He mentioned he attended Florida School Board Association's Day in the Legislature and thought it was the most successful one since he has been an elected official. Mr. Kennedy mentioned that Crystal River High School was in the final preparations of having the first EMT student's class as part of next year's Crystal River High School Academy of Health Careers. He said in speaking with Crystal River High School and the College of Central Florida, the program deserved a special name for the person who inspired it. He made a proposal to name the program the "Phil Royal EMT Program" at the Crystal River High School Academy of Health Careers. Linda Powers made a motion, with acceptance of the parties, to name the program the "Phil Royal EMT Program" at the Crystal River High School Academy of Health Careers; seconded by Douglas Dodd. After discussion, the motion was tabled until a future board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Kennedy adjourned the Regular Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Thomas Kennedy
Chairman

Sandra Himmel
Superintendent

ATTACHMENT – A

Educational Services, Scott Hebert

- A. Approved the 2018-2019 School Volunteers (copy in supplemental file)
- B. Approved the purchase of Advanced Placement Exams (copy in supplemental file)
- C. Approved the agreement between the School Board of Citrus (copy in supplemental file)
County, Florida and PACE Center for Girls, Inc. (Counseling Services)
(copy in supplemental file)

School Support Services, Jonny Bishop

- A. Facilities, Construction & Maintenance, Eric Stokes
 - 1) Approved Pre-Qualification of Contractors for Education Facilities (copy in supplemental file)
 - 2) Approved to Advertise to Bid for the Roger Weaver Educational Complex Evacuation Route (available at District Office)
- B. Human Resources, Suzy Swain
 - 2) Approved Transportation staff for Summer Employment as needed for ESY and Extra Duty (copy in supplemental file)
- C. Planning and Growth Management, Chuck Dixon
 - Approved the Agreement with North East Florida Educational Consortium for Policy Updates (copy in supplemental file)
- D. Risk Management, Cheri Cernich
 - 2) Designated Larry Grant, Jr. as the Citrus County School District School Safety Specialist

Finance, Mike Mullen

- A. Approved the Disposal of Active Surplus Property (copy in supplemental file)
- B. Approved the \$500.00 donation to Lecanto Primary School from Citrus County Harvest dba Citrus County blessings (copy in supplemental file)
- C. Approved the \$500 donation to Crystal River High School Benevolent Fund (copy in supplemental file)
- D. Approved the \$500 donation to Citrus High School from Inverness Elks Club Lodge 2522 (copy in supplemental file)
- E. Approved the \$2,667.33 donation to Citrus High School from Kinnard Chiropractic (copy in supplemental file)
- F. Approved the \$1,000 donation to Citrus High School from Mike Scott Plumbing, Inc. (copy in supplemental file)

- G. Approved the \$2,180 donation to Lecanto High School from Ben Marciano (copy in supplemental file)
- H. Approved the \$1,000 donation to Lecanto High School from Arif Sami and Tehmina Balkhi (copy in supplemental file)
- I. Approved the \$500 donation to the Academy of Environmental Science from Richard & Donna Barker (copy in supplemental file)
- J. Approved the \$500 donation to the Academy of Environmental Science from Hrabina (copy in supplemental file)
- K. Approved the \$500 donation to the Academy of Environmental Science from Greg Nixon (copy in supplemental file)
- L. Approved the \$500 donation to the Academy of Environmental Science from Lauren Russ (copy in supplemental file)
- M. Approved the \$1,000 donation to the Academy of Environmental Science from Jason & Lauren Russ (copy in supplemental file)
- N. Approved the \$500 donation to the Academy of Environmental Science from Pierre Santos (copy in supplemental file)
- O. Approved the \$600 donation to Marine Science Station from Citrus County Audubon (copy in supplemental file)
- P. Approved the \$1,500 donation to Marine Science Station from Crystal River Watersports (copy in supplemental file)
- Q. Approved the \$750 donation to Marine Science Station from Kiwanis Club of Inverness (copy in supplemental file)
- R. Approved the \$600 donation to Marine Science Station from the Rotary Club of Crystal River (copy in supplemental file)
- S. Approved the donation of 12 cafeteria tables valued at \$15,540.72. to the Food Service Department from Meteor Education (copy in supplemental file)
- T. Approved Award of BID 2019-26 Mowing Services to multiple vendors and sites as indicated (copy in supplemental file)
- V. Approved the 2019-2020 Skyward School Management Systems License Fee (copy in supplemental file)
- W. Approved the Citrus County School District School Board Financial and Federal Single Audit for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018 (copy in supplemental file)
- X. Approved the Budget Amendment #6 February 2019 (copy in supplemental file)

Informational Items

- A. Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report of the Citrus MYcroSchool of Integrated Academics and Technologies, Inc. (copy in supplemental file)
- B. February 2019 Cash and Investment Report (copy in supplemental file)
- C. Financial Statements as of February 2019 (copy in supplemental file)