

Board of Trustees Work Session & Finance Meeting

Monday, March 28, 2022

<u>Minutes</u> – 4:00pm (in person)

Lake Wales High School (Auditorium)

Livestream Link: https://youtu.be/737boY5TyLo

Those Present: Danny Gill, Chair, David Fisher – Vice-Chair, Marcus Kirby, Paul Gerrard, Chayla Outing, Dr. Lori Hutto, Rusty Ingley, Tonya Stewart, Alricky Smith, Marie Cherrington-Gray, Rebecca Thomas, Damian Rosado, Donna Drisdom, Donna Dunson, Dr. Linda Ray, Shay Hixenbaugh, Angela Heyward, Kim Griffiths, Jon Hodach, David Waldrop, Dr. Linda Ray, Julie Unzueta, Marcia Rose, Kaleigh McCoy, Jennifer Barrow

Guests: Robin Gibson - Approximately 85 in attendance.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Alricky Smith, Superintendent/CFO

The meeting was called to order at 4:03pm.

II. SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT

Presented for your review and approval at the March 28, 2022 Board of Trustees

Meeting.

- III. MC KINNEY VENTO PROGRAM POLICY Angela Heyward, Federal Programs
 Presented for your review and approval at the March 28, 2022 Board of Trustees
 Meeting.
- IV. CONTRACT & SCHOOL CALENDARS Angela Heyward, Federal Programs
 Presented for your review and approval at the March 28, 2022 Board of Trustees
 Meeting.
- V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS POLICY Danny Gill, Chair Presented for your review and approval at the March 28, 2022 Board of Trustees Meeting. The one change in our policy is to do a three (3) minute limit per speaker like PCSB. Trustee Kirby asked about how speaker get on the speaking list. Per Chair Gill, please sign up at the Charter Office or in person wherever the meeting is being held by using the speaker form.
- VI. GENERAL COUNSEL UPDATE
 Pretty quiet with just a few things. The Chair Danny Gill & Dr. Rodolfich worked on the new Superintendent contract. I traveled to Pascagoula, MS to see what had been done out there and it was very impressive. This was at no cost to the system. I traveled on my own. Trustee Ingley brought up the billing for Attorney Gibson. We had a \$11,800 bill which is double last month's bill. Some things could have been done by a salaried employee like Superintendent Smith.

I asked for a contract on Attorney Gibson and found we do not have a contract on file. Attorney Gibson: This month we dealt with the turmoil with the Superintendent selection process and I did not bill for everything. I would be glad to enter into a contract. I don't initiate any work. The leadership calls me and I have assisted for the past 18 years. Chair Gill – we'll clean up the roles and responsibilities of General Counsel.

VII. FINANCIAL REPORT

Alricky Smith, Superintendent/CFO

A. Monthly Financials

Presented for your review and approval at the March 28, 2022 Board of Trustees Meeting. Superintendent Smith and Principal Dunson answered questions regarding the HS audit.

B. Personnel Changes

Presented for your review and approval at the March 28, 2022 Board of Trustees Meeting.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Alricky Smith, Superintendent/CFO

A. MINUTES: BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORK SESSION AND MEETINGS: February 22, 2022 (Work Session/Finance Meeting); February 22, 2022 (Board Meeting).

Presented for your review and approval at the March 28, 2022 Board of Trustees Meeting.

B. NEXT MEETING DATE

Board of Trustees Work Session/Finance Meeting (4:00pm) and Board of Trustee Meeting (5:30pm) – <u>Tuesday, April 26, 2022</u> at the Lake Wales High School (Auditorium).

IX. SCHOOL UPDATES - DRFBP/HC/JHW/PAE/BOK N/ BOK S/LWHS Donna Drisdom, Principal – Bok North

Shared her concerns about the school being built and not having enough money to finish the school. One building will be there for five years and not being used (the 1919 Building). Teachers are teaching two teachers to a classroom. Class size amendment is a concern with two teachers in the same classroom every day. The environment is not conducive for learning. We did many grants but if we don't have a building we can't use the grants. Please come by and see us. We were the only school to maintain the grade during the pandemic. I have 22 months and 1 week left.

Dr. Linda Ray, Principal – Janie Wilson Elementary

Proud of our school – PYP Candidacy IB School received. We have increased our enrollment. Our PTO is very active. We asked PCSB for more units and furniture and they have been great with us. Our doctors on demand has been established. We have increased our certified teacher numbers. Thanks to 1st Baptist & High Point for allowing us to use their facilities. My last day is May 31st – thank you for the opportunity.

Damian Rosado, Principal – Bok South

Showcase Bok to folks. Open invitation, please stop by to see us.

Donna Dunson, Principal – LW High School

I would like to recognize Jan Lewis for her work with our Students in Transition. We have a student with a full ride to Columbia University. We have a 10th grader working with a renowned sociologist. College acceptance going well with many in-state and out of state acceptance. Career Fair – Laura Bennett and Jasmine Ansley designed it and it was wonderful this year. Lauren Crumbliss – Kilted Café – great addition to our school. Sports is going great. Baseball going well, our Girls lacrosse is undefeated and the track team is doing well. Our band is going well and our feeder system is going well. We have started morning meetings again. We have to educate all students no matter where they come from, 95% of our kids graduate. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask me.

Anna Barcenas, Principal – Polk Avenue Elementary

Thanks to all that attended our Leadership Day. Our staff is working hard. Our enrollment is up. We are prepping for testing. We have data chats and we are very proud of our students. Our cardinal is named Cubby the Cardinal.

Rebecca Thomas, Principal – Hillcrest Elementary

Proud of our teachers and students this year. We have monthly AR celebrations. Collaboration with Polk Avenue and Babson Park Elementary has been great. Our teachers has been awesome and it has been a privilege to work with them!

X. OTHER BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF THE CAUSE None

The meeting adjourned at 5:31pm.
Respectfully Submitted, Marie Cherrington-Gray, Corporate Secretary
Board Approved:

XI.

ADJOURN