



Board of Trustees Work Session and Finance Meeting **Minutes**

Monday, February 26, 2024
Lake Wales High School (Auditorium)

Agenda - 4:00pm

Livestream Link:

<https://youtube.com/live/6B7uVs9RStc?feature=share>

Those Present: Danny Gill - Chair, Paul Gerrard, Vice-Chair, Dr. Lori Hutto, Nicole Sealey, Brian Marbutt, Rafael Unzueta, Tonya Stewart, Andy Blair, Dr. Wayne Rodolfich, Alricky Smith, Marie Cherrington-Gray, Robin Gibson, Denise Moss, Anna Barcenas, Anuj Saran, Rebecca Thomas, Kim Griffiths, Toyaletta Speed, April Barnhardt, Jennifer Barrow, Angela Heyward, Gary Laspina, June Ullman, Marcia Rose, Stacie Padgett, Morgan Willis, Dr. Julio Acevedo, Stacie Padgett, Mellissa Ard, LaQuanda Burroughs, Jasmine Ansley, Brittany Alexander, Brandi Kehres, Tashawn Williams, State Competitive Cheerleading Champions, Girls District Weightlifting Champions

Guests: Officer Hernandez, Sheriff Grady Judd, Mark Parlier

- I. CALL TO ORDER** **Dr. Wayne Rodolfich, Superintendent**
The meeting was called to order at 4:00pm.
- II. ATTORNEY UPDATE** **Robin Gibson, General Counsel**
General Counsel Gibson updated the Board on current legal items. Trustees voiced their concern regarding General Counsel being the attorney for a case while being our attorney that appears to be a possible conflict of interest.
- III. 2024-2025 OPEN BOARD SEAT POSITIONS** **Danny Gill, Chair**
Presented for your review and approval at the February 26, 2024 Board of Trustees Meeting.
Seat #1 – Teacher Representative – LW High School
Seat #4 – Trustee Dr. Lori Hutto – up for 2nd Term July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027
Seat #5 – Trustee Tonya Stewart – up for 2nd Term – July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027
- IV. FINANCIAL REPORT** **Alricky Smith, CFO**
 - A. REVISED BUDGET 2023-2024**
Presented for your review and approval at the February 26, 2024 Board of Trustees Meeting.
 - B. MONTHLY FINANCIALS (January 2024)**
Presented for your review and approval at the February 26, 2024 Board of Trustees Meeting.
 - C. PERSONNEL REPORT (January 2024)**
Presented for your review and approval at the February 26, 2024 Board of Trustees Meeting.
- V. LWCS POLICIES** **LaQuanda Burroughs, HR Director**
 - A. EDUCATOR MISCONDUCT POLICY**

B. SELF REPORTING OF CRIMINAL CHARGES AND TRAFFIC CITATIONS

C. EMPLOYMENT OF INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

D. COMPENSATION OF INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

E. APPOINTMENT, ASSIGNMENT, TRANSFER AND PROMOTION OF INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

F. FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT (FLSA)

Presented for your review and approval at the January 22, 2024 Board of Trustees Meeting.

VI. HEALTH SERVICES - NOTICE OF INVOLUNTARY EXAMINATION

Morgan Willis, Mental Health Coordinator

Presented for your review and approval at the January 22, 2024 Board of Trustees Meeting.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Wayne Rodolfich, Superintendent

A. SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

- Met with City Manager James Slayton and Brenda Torres at the City Hall to discuss future career opportunities for our graduates. We are partnering with the City and a consulting firm on this project.
- Arts Festival was this weekend – we provided about 100 Early Childhood Development packets that was given out at this event.
- We've made 900 literacy home visits.
- We have completed 936 classroom visits.
- Wednesday – Madison Mississippi visits LWCS (Principal & Superintendent).
- Amelia Russo from Scholastics will be here on Thursday to discuss summer reading packets.
- LW Police Advisory Board meeting tonight with Principal Griffiths to discuss traffic pattern at JHW.
- Met with the new pipe plant representatives and discussed career pathways in this area.
- Still working with the ACT Work Ready community regarding earning their distinction. This is still work in progress at this time.
- Met with Skip Alford from the Chamber to discuss career pathways and vocational opportunities for our students.
- Quarterly Newsletters will be released shortly from HR, ESOL, ESE and Health Services.
- Met with FLDOE Early Childhood Chancellor Kerry Miller – met with some of our PreK and Kindergarten teachers.
- Provide our architect an opportunity for a Bok North update:
Mark Parlier: Temporary fence up, windows being replaced, structural tubing in progress, elevator shaft work being done, received permit from the City of LW and also approval from the State Historical Society, working on roofing package – Semco & I are working on new drawings, we are still looking at an eleven-month construction time, working with Semco on a schedule to be able to share in the future.
Trustee Andy Blair: I want to see a weekly report on the progress moving forward. Trustee Blair asked to be included in future meetings.

Mark Parlier: We can provide an architectural supervisory report weekly. We will send the invite to meetings with Semco & also update to Marie (requested by Superintendent Rodolfich).

- Talking with our Board Chair, our Attorney & Mr. Smith regarding the potential of an advance from the State of FL through Polk County Schools of an adjusted incremental increase in funding for our two middle schools. Our CFO is researching to see if we can receive this. We can use the capital to take care of our schools in the amount of about \$800,000 to \$900,000. We are not ready to come to the Board yet, we are still in discussing at this time. We can talk about this in our next Board meeting.

B. MINUTES: January 22, 2024 BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORK SESSION AND MEETING

Presented for your review and approval at the February 26, 2024 Board of Trustees Meeting.

C. NEXT MEETING DATE

Board of Trustees Work Session (4:00pm) and Board Meeting (5:30pm) – Monday, April 22, 2024 at the Lake Wales High School (auditorium).

VIII. BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

Danny Gill, Chair

- A. Chair Report
- B. Trustees Report

IX. SCHOOL UPDATES – DRFBP / HC / JHW / PAE / BOK N / BOK S / LWHS

Moved to Board meeting due to time constraint.

X. OTHER BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF THE CAUSE

None

XI. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 5:32pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marie Cherrington-Gray, Corporate Secretary

Board Approved: _____