



Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 21, 2019
Dale R. Fair Babson Park Elementary (Media Center)
4:15 PM

Trustees Present: Chair Danny Gill, Vice Chair Dr. Andy Oguntola, David Fisher, Howard Kay, Sandra Mercer, Paul Gerrard, Becky Gaston, Dr. Greg Hall

Staff Present: Superintendent Dr. Jesse Jackson, Alricky Smith, Marie Cherrington-Gray, Elizabeth Tyler, Dr. Damien Moses, Donna Dunson, Dr. Linda Ray, Jennifer Barrow, Donna Drisdorn, Shay Hixenbaugh, Angela Heyward, Rebecca Thomas, Kim Griffiths, Anuj Saran, Dr. Julio Acevedo, Mellissa Ard, Marcia Rose

Others Present: Robin Gibson

I. CALL TO ORDER **Danny Gill, Chair**

The meeting was called to order at 4:44pm.

II. INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was done by Dr. Greg Hall and the Pledge was led by the Hancock students.

III. BOARD RECOGNITION... Going Above and Beyond Stars

Dr. Jesse Jackson, Superintendent & Mr. Danny Gill, Chair

We recognized a parent/guardian from each school who is going against all odds and making the best of their unusual circumstances to support their child/children. We have many of these parents and we are grateful for their support.

IV. APPROVAL OF WORK SESSION AND BOARD MEETING

MINUTES - September 23, 2019 Board Work Session & Meeting. Recommend approval of the Board Work Session and Meeting minutes as presented at the October 21, 2019 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve the Work Session Minutes was made by Trustee Paul Gerrard and seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Andy Oguntola. Motion approved unanimously. Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes was made by Vice Chair Dr. Andy Oguntola and seconded by Trustee David Fisher. Motion approved unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Alricky Smith, CFO

Recommend approval of the monthly financials as reviewed and presented at the October 21, 2019 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve was made by Trustee David Fisher and seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Andy Oguntola. Motion approved unanimously.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Jesse Jackson, Superintendent

A. PERSONNEL CHANGES

Recommend approval of the Personnel Changes as presented and discussed at the October 21, 2019 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Howard Kay and seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Andy Oguntola. Motion approved unanimously.

B. LWCS RIGHT TO KNOW QUALIFICATIONS OF TEACHERS AND PARAPROFESSIONALS

Recommend approval of the Right to Know Qualifications of Teachers and Paraprofessionals list from each school as presented and discussed at the October 21, 2019 Board of Trustee Work Session. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Dr. Greg Hall and seconded by Trustee David Fisher. Motion approved unanimously.

VI. NEXT BOARD WORK SESSION AND MEETING

The November Board of Trustees Work Session and Board Meeting will be on Monday, November 18, 2019 at Lake Wales High School (Media Center). The Work Session will begin at 3:00 PM and the Board Meeting will begin at 4:30 PM.

VIII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Danny Gill, Chair

We have a phenomenal system and I am grateful for all your hard work!

IX. TRUSTEES REPORTS

Vice Chair - Dr. Andy Oguntola: My biggest concern is that in another year and a half we will have more students at the High School (from our Middle Schools) and the lack of capacity to house these students. We need the portables back at the High School to be able to accommodate to our future students.

Trustee Howard Kay: We have a great Leadership Team! You guys are unbelievable and I appreciate your work!

Trustee Sandra Mercer: I appreciate our system. Our STEM lab at Babson Park Elementary is now open. We are tutoring, preparing for Fall Carnival and Breakfast with Santa.

X. SCHEDULED PERSON'S ADDRESSING THE BOARD (3 minutes or less please)

Parlier & Crews Architects - not able to attend.

XI. PRINCIPALS' UPDATES

Dale R. Fair Babson Park Elementary – Principal Elizabeth Tyler:

We had a few teachers to attend the Visual Learning Conference recently and they enjoyed it. Bring You Parent to Work Day is coming up for all students. All Pro Dads is going well, we now have a few Mom's that are assisting to include one of AP Shay Hixenbaugh. They recently had Painting with a Twist and had a lot of fun. We are tutoring daily for all students.

Edward W. Bok Academy – South – Principal Dr. Damien Moses:

Bok South Girls Basketball is amazing, we only lost one game. Football game is tonight at 6:00pm. Tutoring has started already for all students. The STEM lab with Mrs. Lita O'Neill is going very well. We have introduced them to Engineering. FSA – students that went up a level or two were celebrated on campus. Cross Country, Cheerleading & Football are all going well.

Janie Howard Wilson Elementary – Principal Dr. Linda Ray:

Thanks to Dr. Oguntola for the 60 book bags donated recently to JHW. Dr. Jackson is assisting us with our BOLT (Building Outstanding Leaders of Today) Academy. Please come bay and see us anytime. We now have homework assistance for our walkers. Our PTO & SAC will be meeting with PCSB about securing the perimeter of our school. We are up ten students for FTE!

Polk Avenue Elementary – Assistant Principal Shay Hixenbaugh:

Our Annual Pumpkin Toss is coming up soon. Our FTE is 547 students. Literacy Night was well attended. The Hattie Conference was amazing. Leadership Day is November 14th. Science Conference is coming up soon.

Hillcrest Elementary – Principal Jennifer Barrow:

Welcome Amber Johnson who is shadowing at our school. Great parent Involvement on our campus. Trustee Becky Gaston stopped in and assisting us with serving at one of our events. Reb Ribbon Week is coming up and the High School will be stopping in to help us celebrate. Our Teacher of the Year is Hailey Turner and our Support Person of the year is Hannah Rogers. Archery is going well and our Turkey Jamboree is coming up in November!

Lake Wales High School – Principal Donna Dunson:

The band is getting better! We received a kudos email from Attorney Kent Lilly. They'll attend competition this year. The football team is awesome! We have playoff this week. Both boys and girls golf is going well. We have a diver going to State for swimming. We have the faster miler in the County – Andy Denton. We attended a conference in Atlanta – Culture of Thinking – it was awesome!

Edward W. Bok Academy – North – Principal Donna Drisdorn:

Robotics Club is meeting today. We are tutoring every day. Our progress monitoring is ongoing. Red Ribbon Week is coming up and we have a speaker scheduled to share with the students. Our Teacher of the Year is Jennifer Simpson and our Support Person of the Year is Tammie Farrow. We are working with our 6th grade boys to ensure they are on track.

Dr. Jesse Jackson, Superintendent:

We are looking into partnering with a few universities to purchase STEM equipment to assist with our 6th Grade through College Initiative. Dr. J introduced our new nurse – Marcia Rose, RN.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER (None)

XIII. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 5:40pm. Respectfully Submitted, Marie Cherrington-Gray, Corporate Secretary

Board Approved: _____ **Not yet - Nov. mtg...** _____