



Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 22, 2018
Janie Howard Wilson Elementary (Media Center)
4:15 PM

Trustees Present: Chair Jimmy Nelson, Vice Chair Angela Pulido, David Fisher, Danny Gill, Andy Oguntola, Howard Kay, Pete Perez, Bill Lockhart

Staff Present: Superintendent Dr. Jesse Jackson, Brian Fisher, Marie Cherrington-Gray, Linda Ray, Rebecca Thomas, Donna Dunson, Angela Heyward, Barbara Jones, Anuj Saran, Paula Alford, Damien Moses, Gail Quam, Jennifer Barrow, Julio Acevedo, Stacie Padgett, April Barnhardt

Others Present: Robin Gibson, Carol Collins, John Miller, Charles Baker, Honorees

I. CALL TO ORDER **Jimmy Nelson, Chair**

The meeting was called to order at 4:26pm.

II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation & please was done by Pastor Rob Quam.

III. RECOGNITION **Dr. Jesse Jackson, Superintendent / Jimmy Nelson, Chair**

- **LWCS Chess Tournament Winners (December 9th - Eagle Ridge Mall)**

1st Place - Joaquin Rodriguez

2nd Place - Aaron Kordek / Jose Rodriguez

3rd Place - Adonis Anderson

K-5 Division

1st Place - David Cantero / Jayden Johnson / Kye LaFrance / Kevin Lee

2nd Place - Troy Groce / Heston Mullis/Joseph Rojas /Maggie Vogel /Gavin Wheeler

3rd Place - Eric Walker

K-8 Division

1st Place - Lizette Rodriguez / Bradley Coffee

2nd Place - Vannesa Rodriguez

3rd Place - Grant Albritton / Zachary Bates

K-12 Division

1st Place - Trevor Flanagan

2nd Place - Quentin Knighten

3rd Place - Dillon Coffee

- **LW High School – My “Brother’s Keeper” Recognition - Donna Dunson, Principal**
Jerry Miller, Andy Oguntola, Rob Quam and Mike Morrow
Principal Dunson – Jerry thanks for your work with the lineman to lineman \$1,000 scholarship.
Andy thanks for your work with the College Circuit you brought to Lake Wales.
Mike and Rob thanks for your work with Restore to Justice – in lieu of suspension students are able to do meaningful work in our community through the Care Center.

- IV. APPROVAL OF BOARD WORK SESSION AND BOARD MEETING MINUTES (November 27, 2017)** **Jimmy Nelson, Chair**
Recommend approval of the Board Work Session and Meeting minutes as presented at the January 22, 2018 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve the Board Work Session Minutes was made by Trustee Howard Kay and seconded by Trustee Andy Oguntola. Motion approved unanimously. Motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes was made by Trustee Danny Gill and seconded by Trustee Howard Kay. Motion approved unanimously.
- V. FINANCIAL REPORT** **Brian Fisher, CFO**
Recommend approval of the monthly financials as reviewed and presented at the January 22, 2018 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Andy Oguntola and seconded by Trustee Howard Kay. Motion approved unanimously.
- VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** **Dr. Jesse Jackson, Superintendent**
- A. Personnel Changes**
Recommend approval of the Personnel Changes as distributed and discussed at the January 22, 2018 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Danny Gill and seconded by Trustee Andy Oguntola. Motion approved unanimously.
- B. Homeless Policy Updates**
Recommend approval of the Homeless Policy Updates as distributed and discussed at the January 22, 2018 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Andy Oguntola and seconded by Trustee David Fisher. Motion approved unanimously.
- C. Rebuilding Bok Academy Buildings**
Recommend approval of repairing and rebuilding Bok Academy buildings affected by Hurricane Irma as distributed and discussed at the January 22, 2018 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Andy Oguntola and seconded by Vice Chair Angela Pulido. Motion approved unanimously.
- D. Rescinding the Department of Historical Resources, Historical Grant SC737**
Recommend approval rescinding the Department of Historical Resources, Historical Grant SC737 as distributed and discussed at the January 22, 2018 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Andy Oguntola and seconded by Trustee David Fisher. Motion approved unanimously.
- E. Bok North Replication Application - Submission to PCSB – February 1, 2018**
Recommended approval for the Replication of Edward W. Bok Academy North Application to PCSB for Submission on February 1, 2018 as discussed at the January 22, 2018 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve was made by Vice Chair Angela Pulido and seconded by Trustee Danny Gill. Motion approved unanimously.
- VII. SCHEDULED PERSON'S ADDRESSING THE BOARD (None)**
- VIII. NEXT BOARD WORK SESSION AND MEETING**
The February Board of Trustees Work Session and Board Meeting will be on Monday, February 26, 2018 at Hillcrest Elementary. The Work Session will begin at **3:00pm** and the Board Meeting at **4:15pm**.
- IX. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** **Jimmy Nelson, Chair**
Our monthly Finance meeting is open to all, please consider attending. This is a very informative meeting.

X. TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee Danny Gill: I am honored to be one of sixteen umpire at the Little League World Series August 6, 2018.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF THE CAUSE

Dr. Jackson: Disability Awareness event at the Mall starts at 4:00pm. Please stop by if you can.
Chair Nelson: We have a new Wound Care Center in town. Please don't forget our commitment to assist the band and the Scottish Unit at the High School. Robin will share with us next month – refresher on the Sunshine Law. Bok Academy has a \$518,000 bill and they need our assistance. I would like to ask for all Trustees to assist if you can. Nelson Financial will be assisting.

XII. PRINCIPALS' UPDATE

LW High School – Principal Donna Dunson

We are reviewing the Booster rules for sports. We are exploring a Veterinary Academy. College visits are ongoing. Lacrosse is going well. We still do not have a gym, hopefully in about three months it will be ready. We had to release a few students from our school recently due to drugs and social media.

Hillcrest Elementary – Principal Jennifer Barrow

Our academies are going well. Our DAR winner for our school is Haley Hunt. We received a letter from Rick Scott and we are 71% proficient in Math and in the top 10% in the state.

Tutoring is ongoing. Barrow Academy has 62 students.

Janie Howard Wilson Elementary – Principal Dr. Linda Ray

Our STEM Girls event continues to encourage the ladies for future careers in STEM. This past Saturday we also got to attend a college class in Winter Haven. We also got to assist with building a robot and work with drones thanks to Bok Academy. We are encouraging all 5th graders to submit their application to Bok Academy. We are proud of our A-Team who are in the semi-finals. Saturday Academy is going well. We appreciate Mike Bell and his work with our school with Acaletics.

Polk Avenue Elementary – Principal Gail Quam

Tutoring after school is ongoing. The students that need tutoring the most have not been staying after school so our staff has volunteered to do the tutoring during their planning time. We had many students who were recognized for gains in Reading, Math & Science. We also had yard signs made for the students that had a 5 on their FSA's.

Edward W. Bok Academy – Principal Dr. Damien Moses

The Girls in STEM Initiative with Polk State and Bok Academy is going very well. We had scientist and a Disney graphic artist to visit and speak with our students, it was really awesome! Mrs. Weaver is also assisting and working with the STEM students on this project. We are tutoring, tutoring and pushing our students who are in the fence so they can go over the fence this year.

We appreciate LW Church of God for allowing us to use their facilities for reading. January 9th we had our National Honor Society and it was a really large group. Our goal is to make this group even larger next year. We have over 500 applications for Bok Academy so far this year. Duke Energy shared with our SHERO group the benefits of solar energy and they explored the solar car. Stop by when you can to see our ongoing construction. We took in four new students today.

XIII. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 5:18pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marie Cherrington-Gray, Corporate Secretary

Board Approved: February 26, 2018