

**REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 23, 2010**

The Invocation was offered by Mrs. Thigpen.

The School Board of Okaloosa County met in Regular Session on August 23, 2010, in the Okaloosa County Courthouse, Crestview, Florida.

**PRESENT:** Rodney Walker, Chairman

Cindy Frakes, Vice-Chairman

Howard Hill

Chuck Kelley (arrived at 4:10 p.m.)

Cathy Thigpen

Alexis Tibbetts, Superintendent

C. Jeffrey McInnis, Esq., Attorney to the Board

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and welcomed visitors and presenters.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion to approve the Agenda as amended was made by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Frakes and carried 4-0:

Consent Agenda: Item #11 was deleted; added as item #18, Agreement with YMCA of Florida's Emerald Coast, Inc.; added as item #19, Appropriation of District 4 School Board Member Capital Outlay funds to Antioch Elementary in the amount of \$5199.40

**VISITORS:**

1. The Board recognized Patricia Branagan, L-3 Communications Web Development Manager for her five years of service to the District. Board members expressed their appreciation for her dedication and service to the District (Exhibit 10-656).

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION:** No Request

**PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS:** None

**COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS:**

1. In-County Travel paid for the period of July 22 – August 4, 2010, presented by Rita Scallan (Exhibit 10-657)
2. Out-of-County Travel paid for the period of July 22 – August 4, 2010, presented by Rita Scallan (Exhibit 10-658)

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mrs. Frakes noted a correction to the Minutes of Workshop Meeting of August 5<sup>th</sup> that should state Shalimar Elementary School is in the top 20 of schools competing in the Kohl's Department Store nationwide initiative, and that voting is open until September 3, 2010.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended was made by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Thigpen and carried 4-0.

1. Minutes of Workshop Meeting of August 5, 2010, and Minutes of Regular Meeting of August 9, 2010, recommended by the Superintendent for approval.

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2. Appropriation of District 2 School Board Member Capital Outlay Funds to Elliott Point Elementary School for an electronic sign in the amount of \$19,785.00, presented by Chuck Kelley and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-659).
3. Appropriation of District 2 School Board Member Capital Outlay Funds to Bruner Middle School to upgrade the security camera system in the amount of \$3500.00, presented by Chuck Kelley and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-660).
4. Budget Amendment #11 for 2009-2010, presented by Rita Scallan and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-661).
5. Monthly Financial Report for June 2010 (Revised), presented by Rita Scallan and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-662).
6. Acceptance of Donations, presented by Rita Scallan and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-663).
7. Payment of Invoices dated August 23, 2010, presented by Rita Scallan and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-664).
8. Request to advertise a public hearing for revision of School Board Policy 3-1 Instructional Materials, presented by Steve McLaughlin and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-665).
9. Grasses in Classes Greenhouse for Edwins Elementary School, presented by Dr. Connie Hall and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-666).
10. National Defense Industry Association (NDIA) ACCElerator Grant Applications, presented by Shawnea Tallman and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-667):
  - A. Going with Math, Edwins Elementary School - \$807.10
  - B. Going Deep, Shawnea Tallman and Debbie Davis - \$2783.00
  - C. Twelve Labs in One by Building the Human Body from the Ground Up, Choctawhatchee High School - \$993.55
  - D. From Zero to Eternity: Getting a Math Lab off the Ground, Longwood Elementary School - \$1044.85
  - E. Planting Big Ideas II, Kenwood Elementary School - \$1070.00
  - F. Great Expectations in Math and Science (GEMS), Bruner Middle School - \$998.45
  - G. Biotechnology Exploration Project, Davidson Middle School - \$981.45
  - H. To Infinity and Beyond, Shoal River Middle School - \$1000.00
  - I. Hands-on for STEM, Edge Elementary School - \$939.33
  - J. Teaching Genetics, Choctawhatchee High School - \$628.90
  - K. 2011 Young Science Scholars' Summer Lab Camp, Choctawhatchee High School - \$923.30
  - L. Turtle Tracking: Thinking Outside the Box, Meigs Middle School - \$1367.10
  - M. The Joe's Bayou Project/Giving Trees Continued, Destin Elementary School - \$512.80
  - N. Robot City, Ruckel Middle School - \$1000.00
  - O. Integrating Math and Science with Technology, Pryor Middle School - \$1951.85
  - P. Davidson MS Robotics Project, Davidson Middle School - \$660.89
  - Q. Bruner Learning Garden, Bruner Middle School - \$595.94
  - R. Plugged in to Energy Conservation, Bruner Middle School - \$359.88

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- S. Probing into Science, Fort Walton Beach High School - \$1000.00
- T. Striving to be FIRST, Fort Walton Beach High School - \$1063.00
- U. A Digital View, Choctawhatchee High School - \$629.88
- 11. Deleted - Acceptance of donation of 25 iPads to the Okaloosa County School District for a pilot program at Bruner Middle School from the University of West Florida and Vibrant Virtuals, presented by Debbie Davis and Dolores Noechel and recommended by the Superintendent for approval.
- 12. Personnel Recommendations, presented by Mike Foxworthy and recommended by the Superintendent for approval:
  - A. New Hire Report (Exhibit 10-668)
  - B. Leave Requests (Exhibit 10-669)
  - C. Transfer Report (Exhibit 10-668)
- 13. Employment Separations, presented by Mike Foxworthy and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-670).
- 14. Reinstatement of Sick Leave due to line-of-duty illness/injury/medical examination, presented by Mike Foxworthy and recommended by the Superintendent for approval: None
- 15. Zoning Waivers, presented by Deputy Superintendents and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-671; see Zoning Waiver file).
- 16. Food Service Agreement between the School Board of Okaloosa County and the American Red Cross of Northwest Florida to provide meals at Okaloosa County hurricane shelters or in support of mobile feeding, presented by Rick Norris and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-672).
- 17. Bids and Purchasing, presented by Rick Norris and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (see bid file for additional information):
  - A. Approval of Bids and Purchasing Requests:
    - (1) RFB 11-B01 Petroleum Products awarded to Davison Oil, The McPherson Companies, Carquest Auto Parts, and R.K. Allen Company, Fixed Prices (Exhibit 10-673)
    - (2) Tag-on-Bid #RR4963 with TCPN for Mass Notification System (Exhibit 10-674)
  - B. Rejection of Bids and Purchasing Requests: None
  - C. Service Agreements:
    - (1) SA# 11-60 Northwest Florida State College, AmeriCorps Program - \$53,000.00 (Non-federal funds as designated by individual schools) (Exhibit 10-675)
    - (2) SA# 11-62 Brent Purcell, Percussion Clinician, Destin Middle School - \$5000 (Band Internal Funds) (Exhibit 10-676)
    - (3) SA# 11-63 Sally Richard, Coordinate Safe and Drug Free Programs - \$13,920.00 (Safe and Drug Free Schools Funds, Project 0480) (Exhibit 10-677)

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18. Agreement between the School Board of Okaloosa County and the YMCA of Florida's Emerald Coast, Inc., for before/after school programming and summer programs at Lewis School, presented by Mike Fantaski and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-678).
19. Appropriation of District 4 School Board Member Capital Outlay Funds to Antioch Elementary School for projectors and document cameras in the amount of \$5199.40, presented by Cathy Thigpen and recommended by the Superintendent for approval (Exhibit 10-679).

Mr. Kelley arrived at 4:10 p.m.

### **DISCUSSION AGENDA:**

1. Motion to approve the Proposed Capital Outlay Five-Year Work Plan for Fiscal Years 2010-2011 through 2014-2015 (Revised), presented by Rita Scallan and recommended by the Superintendent for approval was made by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Kelley and carried unanimously (Exhibit 10-680).

### **CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM/OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE'S BUSINESS:**

1. Motion to approve Program No. 4, Task Order No. 12, Pre-GMP for replacement of the chiller at Elliott Point Elementary School, amount not to exceed \$60,000.00, presented by Dr. Bill Smith and recommended by the Superintendent for approval was made by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Thigpen and carried unanimously (Exhibit 10-681).
2. Motion to approve Program No. 4, Task Order No. 14, Emergency Notice to Proceed with the chiller and cooling tower replacement at Edge Elementary School, amount not to exceed \$650,000.00, presented by Dr. Bill Smith and recommended by the Superintendent for approval was made by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Thigpen and carried unanimously (Exhibit 10-682).

### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SEAT MANAGEMENT CONTRACT: None**

### **BIDS AND PURCHASING: None**

### **ATTORNEY'S BUSINESS:**

1. Mr. McInnis stated that Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., the parent company of Jacobs Facilities, Inc., has established a new qualified Joint Venture named Jacobs/L-3, a Joint Venture which will be assigned the District's TPM contract that is currently held by Jacobs/Titan, a Joint Venture. The same project management team currently performing the services to the School Board will continue to perform those services as Jacobs/L-3, a Joint Venture composed of Jacobs Project Management Co. and Titan Facilities, Inc. He requested that the Board consider approval of the contract assignment and that the Chairman be authorized to execute a consent to the Assignment and Assumption Agreement.  
  
Motion to approve the assignment of the District's TPM contract from Jacobs/Titan, a Joint Venture to Jacobs/L-3, a Joint Venture and authorize the Chairman to execute a consent to the Assignment and Assumption Agreement between Jacobs/Titan, a Joint Venture, and Jacobs/L-3, a Joint Venture, for performance of the District's Total Program Management services, was made by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Frakes and carried unanimously (Exhibit 10-683).
2. Mr. McInnis stated that the Board previously approved a Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement with the University of West Florida. Between the time the

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School Board adopted the agreement and the UWF Board of Trustees executed it, the State Board of Governors had changed the admissions requirement standards of all their universities for dual enrollment programs in the areas of required ACT test scores. The UWF Board of Trustees also made technical corrections in the formatting of all references to Florida statutes. Those corrections were made in the citation format, not in any of the meanings. Mr. McInnis requested Board approval of the changes made as indicated on the agreement which was previously approved.

Motion to approve the changes to the Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement between the Board of Trustees of the University of West Florida and the School Board of Okaloosa County as explained by Mr. McInnis was made by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Frakes and carried unanimously (Exhibit 10-537; July 12, 2010).

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S BUSINESS:**

1. Out-of-State Student Field Trips (Exhibit 10-684)

Dr. Tibbetts announced that tomorrow is primary election day and urged everyone to vote.

Dr. Tibbetts stated that staff continues to follow up on information in regard to the potential for any claims by the school district concerning oil spill issues and that the Board will be updated accordingly.

### **BOARD MEMBERS' BUSINESS:**

In regard to the oil spill, Mrs. Frakes stated that she has been asked to serve on a task force that has been formed by the FSBA, along with the League of Cities and the Association of Counties, which is working with the Governor's task force. She will provide an update following their meeting in September.

Mrs. Frakes asked for an update to an earlier request regarding which types of food items are allowed in the vending machines according to the District's contract with the vendors of the machines. Dr. Tibbetts stated that she would follow through on the request and provide the information.

Mrs. Frakes requested that a list of high school classes with fewer than 18 students and the teachers who are teaching those classes be provided to all Board members.

Mrs. Frakes asked the Board members for their input in regard to using the anticipated stimulus funds for the high schools that my need supplemental funding. Dr. Tibbetts stated that all the schools are funded on basically the same formula; however, some programs may need additional funding. Mr. Kelley commented that some high schools are struggling due to the budget crisis and questioned if there were middle schools also having funding problems. He stated that some programs have been discontinued because there are not funds to support them and that the District will need to think outside the box and find a way to do things differently. Dr. Tibbetts stated that staff is meeting with each school individually to determine if supplemental funding may be needed, and in some schools additional oversight may be necessary.

Mr. Walker stated that the Board will be conservative with the stimulus funds and suggested that the Board members get with the Superintendent and Mrs. Scallan to evaluate the areas that may need to be addressed this year. He stated that the stimulus funds can only be spent at the schools and any remaining balance this year will rollover to next year. He clarified that there is a two-year window to spend the revenue.

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There was discussion regarding budgeting for class size and alternatives to meeting class size requirements, such as combining those classes that are required to qualify for Florida Bright Futures.

Greg Butler, OCEA Director, introduced Karen Sinex who is an intern participating in the National Education Association Affirmative Action Intern Program. Mr. Butler will be a mentor to Ms. Sinex for the next few months.

In accordance with School Board Policy 14-8, the Board appointed the following citizen representatives to serve as the Charter School Review Committee: James Evans, Champee Kemp, Betty Brassell, Brenda Tomaszewski, and Carolyn Lulue.

There being no further business, and upon motion being duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Jan Crawford, Recorder

  
ALEXIS TIBBETTS, Ed.D.  
SUPERINTENDENT AND  
CORPORATE SECRETARY

  
RODNEY L. WALKER  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD