



Minutes

October 25, 2016

Regular Meeting - 5:45 PM
 Manatee County School District
 215 Manatee Avenue West
 Bradenton, FL 34205
www.manateeschools.net

Times Indicated Are Approximate

CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Karen Carpenter	Chair	Absent	
John Colon	Board Member	Present	
Robert Gause	Board Member	Present	
Charlie Kennedy	Vice-Chair	Present	
Dave "Watchdog" Miner	Board Member	Present	
Diana Greene	Superintendent	Present	
Ron Ciranna	Dep. Supt. of Business Serv. and Operations	Present	
Cynthia Saunders	Deputy Superintendent of Instruction	Present	
Mitchell Teitelbaum	General Counsel	Present	
Jim Dye	Board Attorney	Present	
Rebecca Roberts	Chief Financial Officer	Absent	
Michele Hogan	Agency Clerk	Present	

Minutes: Vice-Chair Kennedy called the meeting to order at 5:46 PM.

1. Invocation

Minutes: The invocation was given by Pastor Wende Thompson from Glory Cloud Ministries.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes: Vice-Chair Kennedy led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITIONS

1. Florida Principals Month

Minutes: Mr. Mike Barber, Director of Communications, Family, and Community Engagement; shared that October was National Principals Month and introduced the Principals in attendance.

Superintendent Greene read the Proclamation proclaiming October as National Principals Month.

The proclamation was accepted by Ms. Angela Lindsey, Principal of Johnson Middle School; on behalf of the Principals.

2. ManaTeach Moment

Minutes: Mr. Mike Barber, Director of Communications, Family, and Community Engagement; shared that ManaTeach is a social media campaign created by the School District to showcase and demonstrate teaching and learning taking place in our schools and district work sites.

He introduced Ms. Linille Artwell, Gene Witt Elementary Visual Arts Teacher; and Mr. David Marshall, Principal of Witt Elementary.

Following their introduction, Mr. Barber shared a video created by Ms. Artwell. The video can be viewed at <http://www.manateach.net>.

Ms. Artwell addressed the Board and was presented with a Superintendent's Coin of Excellence by Superintendent Greene.

3. Gratitude Award in Recognition of Philip Brown with the United Way of Manatee County

Minutes: Mr. Mike Barber, Director of Communications, Family, and Community Engagement; invited Superintendent Greene forward to present the Gratitude Award to Mr. Philip A. Brown, III, President of United Way of Manatee County; in appreciation for his commitment and dedication to the community and the School District.

Superintendent Greene acknowledged Chair Carpenter for suggesting the award as a way to recognize community members for what they do to support the District and the students.

Mr. Brown accepted the award and addressed the Board with a few remarks.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

1. Approval of the Agenda as Amended

Minutes: Vice-Chair Kennedy noted that Chair Carpenter was not able to attend the meeting.

The Vice-Chair found good cause to amend the Agenda to include the following:

Agenda amended on October 25, 2016 to **withdraw** New Business (Non-Consent Items) Item, *Approval of Contract for Sale for Lot 1, Block 14, Houghtons Addition to New Memphis Subdivision in the Amount of \$5,000.00.*

Agenda amended on October 24, 2016 to **add** New Business (Non-Consent Items) Item, *Approval of Proposed Sales Tax Block Grant for Qualified Charter Schools, No Financial Impact.*

Agenda amended on October 24, 2016 to **update** the attachment for Human Resources Consent Item, Board Material - October 25, 2016.

Agenda amended on October 24, 2016 to **move** Human Resources Consent Item, *Approval of the Report of Teachers Who are Out-Of-Field in ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)* to

New Business (Discussion Items Pulled From Consent).

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert Gause, Board Member
SECONDER:	John Colon, Board Member
AYES:	Colon, Gause, Kennedy, Miner
ABSENT:	Carpenter

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Student Learning and Engagement

1. School District of Manatee County (SDMC) Dashboard of Instructional Indicators
Minutes: Dr. Silvana Ianinska, Senior Data Strategist; utilized the attached report to provide an update on the Dashboard of Instructional Indicators. The presentation included:
 - District enrollment
 - Demographics
 - Graduation rates
 - Student performance on Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) English and Mathematics
 - District ranking
 - Average student attendance
 - Student suspensions

The Board asked questions of Dr. Ianinska following her presentation.

INFORMATION ONLY (NO BOARD ACTION REQUIRED)

Leaves

1. Leaves for October 25, 2016 Board Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Kelton Blohm
Spoke regarding his scholarship and experience with Take Stock in Children. He thanked all for their support of the program and shared his hopes and goals for his future that have been made possible by the program.
2. Sandra Deitrich
Spoke regarding the Sales Tax Referendum and proposed Sales Tax Block Grant for Charter Schools.
3. Ben Whitenack
Spoke regarding incorporating the practice of mindfulness into education.
4. Jaime (No Last Name Given)

Was not present when name was called.

- 5. Jamie Harris Breton

Was not present when name was called.

- 6. Michelle Thompson

Spoke regarding the Sales Tax Referendum and Charter Schools.

- 7. Judy Cumpston

Provided a handout and spoke regarding employee benefits and wages for school bus drivers.

**Public Comment Handout - Judy Cumpston

- 8. Linda Neely

Spoke regarding the Florida Statutes Loan Tax Anticipation Note (TAN).

- 9. Robert Hicks

Spoke regarding employee benefits and wages for school bus drivers.

- 10. Bill Jones

Spoke regarding the proposed Sales Tax Block Grant for Charter Schools.

- 11. Brian Bustle

Spoke regarding the proposed Sales Tax Block Grant for Charter Schools.

- 12. Al Wilson

Spoke regarding employee benefits and wages for school bus drivers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dave "Watchdog" Miner, Board Member
SECONDER:	Robert Gause, Board Member
AYES:	Colon, Gause, Kennedy, Miner
ABSENT:	Carpenter

1. School Board - Board Workshop - Oct 11, 2016 3:00 PM
2. School Board - Regular Meeting - Oct 11, 2016 5:45 PM

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 25, 2016.

Minutes: Public Comment on the Consent Agenda as follows:

Linda Neely - spoke regarding the Johnson/Wakeland K-8 International Baccalaureate Conversion.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert Gause, Board Member
SECONDER:	Dave "Watchdog" Miner, Board Member
AYES:	Colon, Gause, Kennedy, Miner
ABSENT:	Carpenter

Purchase(s) Bids Over \$100,000.00

1. Approval to Renew Blackboard Mass Notification System, District Website & Mobile Communication App, MCSD No. 17-0024-SM, an Additional \$37,185.34, Not to Exceed \$219,185.34 - Revision I
2. Approval of Renewal (1) on the Bid for Fluorescent Lamps, Ballast and Lighting Supplies, MCSD No. 16-0055-MR, Not to Exceed \$150,000.00
3. Approval of Renewal (2) on the Bid for Heavy Duty and Small Equipment Rental with Operator(s), MCSD No. 15-0049-MR, Not to Exceed \$200,000.00
4. Approval of the Use of the School Board of Suwannee County Proposal on Type IIB Panelized Modular Buildings, MCSD No. 17-0039-MR, not to exceed \$450,000.00
5. Approval of the Use of the School Board of Sarasota County Bid for Renewal (1) Hollow Metal Doors, MCSD No. 15-0085-MR, an Additional \$50,000.00, Not to Exceed \$200,000.00 - Revision I
6. Approval of Renewal (3) on the Use of the State of Florida Bid for Commercial Paper and Other Facility Items, MCSD No. 12-0063-MR, Not to Exceed \$200,000.00
7. Approval to Use State of Florida Contract, #43211500-WSCA-15-ACS, Western State Cooperative Alliance (WSCA) Computer Equipment, Peripherals & Services, MCSD No. 15-0074-SM, An Additional \$5,150,000.00, Not to Exceed \$13,850,000.00 - Revision V

Purchase(s) Bid \$100,000.00 and Under

8. Approval of the Glynlyon Inc. d/b/a Odysseyware Contract for the 2016-2017 School Year, Not to Exceed \$87,500.00
9. Approval to Purchase 24 Days Professional Development for the Science Research Associates Program for Eight Schools, Not to Exceed \$60,000.00

Contracts and Grants

10. Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding Between The Patterson Foundation and School District of Manatee County for the 2016-2017 School Year, Not to Exceed \$60,000.00
11. Approval of the Revised Agreement for the 2016-2017 Early College Program Manual and Articulation Agreement Between the School Board of Manatee County and the State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota, to Include Qualifying Scores from the Revised SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test), to Edit Dates, and Increase Cost an Additional \$20,000.00, Not to Exceed \$250,000.00
12. Approval to Submit, Accept, and Expend the Title 1 School Improvement Initiative 1003(a), 410-2267B-7CS01 For October 1, 2016 Through September 30, 2017, in the Amount of \$401,227.00

Construction Services

13. Approval of 34th Street Campus - Underground Demolition - Agreement Between Owner and Willis A. Smith Construction - Guaranteed Maximum Price in the Amount of \$935,204.00
14. Approval of Johnson/Wakeland - K-8 International Baccalaureate Conversion - Agreement Between Owner and Holmes Hepner & Associates, in the Amount of \$363,283.00
15. Approval of Johnson/Wakeland - K-8 International Baccalaureate Conversion - Agreement Between Owner and Gilbane Building Company - Preconstruction Services in the Amount of \$37,600.00

Human Resources

16. Approval of the Appointments, Change of Assignments, Promotions, Reappointments, Reassignments, Resignations, Retirements, Suspensions, Terminations and Transfers
17. Approval of Six Revised Job Descriptions for the Department of Construction Services
18. Approval to Accept the Waiver of the Provisions of Article XII, Section 2, Appendix B, Section G of the Master Contract between the Manatee County School Board and the Manatee Education Association in Regard to Oneco Elementary
19. Approval to Accept the Waiver of the Provisions of Article XII, Section 2, Appendix B, Section G of the Master Contract between the Manatee County School Board and the Manatee Education Association in Regard to Witt Elementary

NEW BUSINESS (DISCUSSION ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT)

1. Approval of the Report of Teachers Who Are Out-Of-Field in ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

Minutes: Mr. Miner asked for additional information regarding the number of teachers who are teaching out-of-field in ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) and the number of teachers who have the ESOL endorsement. Superintendent Greene noted the information would be provided to the Board.

NEW BUSINESS (NON-CONSENT ITEMS)

1. Approval of Resolution 16-09 to Surplus Property, Houghtons Addition to New Memphis Subdivision, Lot 1, Block 14, No Financial Impact.

Minutes: Mr. Stephen Dye, School Board Attorney; provided an update on the surplus and sale of the property.

Following Mr. Dye's update there was public comment on the item as follows:

Linda Neely - spoke regarding various parcels of property owned by the District.

Mr. Miner and Mr. Gause responded to Ms. Neely's comments regarding the Schroeder-Manatee Ranch property.

RESULT: **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Robert Gause, Board Member
SECONDER: John Colon, Board Member
AYES: Colon, Gause, Kennedy, Miner
ABSENT: Carpenter

2. Approval of Continuing Contract Professional Service Firms for Small Projects (Less Than \$2,000,000.00 in Construction Costs or Less Than \$200,000.00 for Professional Services), no financial impact.

Minutes: Mr. Gause recused herself from the vote. Form 8b is attached.

RESULT: **ADOPTED [3 TO 0]**
MOVER: John Colon, Board Member
SECONDER: Charlie Kennedy, Vice-Chair
AYES: Colon, Kennedy, Miner
ABSENT: Carpenter
RECUSED: Gause

3. Approval to Deny the Charter School Application from Avant Garde Academy Manatee with the 2017-2018 School Year.

Minutes: Public Comment on the item as follows:

Jennifer Lucas - spoke regarding the denial of the Avant Garde Academy application.

Frank Bolanos - spoke regarding the denial of the Avant Garde Academy application.

Thomas Brown - spoke regarding the denial of the Avant Garde Academy application.

Following Public Comment, Vice-Chair Kennedy made a motion to table the item. The motion was seconded by Mr. Colon.

Mr. Miner had already made a motion to accept the original recommendation prior to Mr. Kennedy's motion to table.

Following the motion and second to table, Mr. Miner agreed to withdraw his original motion.

Mr. Gause inquired as to the time frame for approving this item.

Superintendent Greene invited Dr. Frank Pistella, Director of District Support; to provide an update to the Board on the application process. Dr. Pistella provided the attached supporting documentation and offered clarification regarding the Charter School application process.

Following the update the Board asked questions of Dr. Pistella.

Mr. Mitchell Teitelbaum, Staff Attorney; provided additional information regarding statutory requirements for Charter School applications.

Following discussion, Vice-Chair Kennedy stated he would like to withdraw his motion to table. Mr. Colon agreed to withdraw his second to the motion.

The Board voted on the original motion.

Vice-Chair Kennedy recessed the meeting at 8:01 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

RESULT:	DEFEATED [2 TO 2]
MOVER:	Dave "Watchdog" Miner, Board Member
SECONDER:	Charlie Kennedy, Vice-Chair
AYES:	Kennedy, Miner
NAYS:	Colon, Gause
ABSENT:	Carpenter

4. Approval to Deny the Charter School Application from Avant Garde Academy Manatee with the 2017-2018 School Year

Minutes: Following the recess, Mr. Gause made a motion to approve the Superintendent's original recommendation for denial of the Charter School Application from Avant Garde Academy Manatee.

Mr. Miner seconded the motion.

Following the motion and the second, Vice-Chair Kennedy called for Public Comment. Public Comment on the item as follows:

Frank Bolanos - spoke regarding the denial of the Avant Garde Academy application.

Philip Brown - encouraged the Board to vote for the Superintendent's recommendation.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert Gause, Board Member
SECONDER:	Dave "Watchdog" Miner, Board Member
AYES:	Colon, Gause, Kennedy, Miner
ABSENT:	Carpenter

5. Approval of Proposed Sales Tax Block Grant for Qualified Charter Schools for Year One with the Superintendent and District Staff Working with the Charter Schools to Establish an Equitable Distribution for the Years Going Forward

Minutes: Public Comment on the item as follows:

Bill Jones - Spoke regarding the proposed Sales Tax Block Grant for Charter Schools.

Mr. Colon moved to approve the original motion for approval of Proposed Sales Tax Block Grant for Qualified Charter Schools, no financial impact.

The Motion failed for lack of a second.

Following the failed motion, Vice-Chair Kennedy made a motion to table the item. The motion to table was seconded by Mr. Gause.

Following the motion, Superintendent Greene provided further clarification regarding the proposed Sales Tax Block Grant for qualified Charter Schools.

The Board continued to have discussion.

Following discussion, Mr. Gause withdrew his second and Mr. Kennedy withdrew his motion to table.

Mr. Gause made a motion to amend the original motion to include "for year one with the Superintendent and District Staff working with the Charter Schools to establish an equitable distribution going forward."

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert Gause, Board Member
SECONDER:	Charlie Kennedy, Vice-Chair
AYES:	Colon, Gause, Kennedy, Miner
ABSENT:	Carpenter

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA REQUESTS AND WORKSHOP ITEM REQUESTS

Minutes: There were no requests for Agenda or Workshop items.

UPDATES

Legal Department Update

Minutes: Mr. Stephen Dye, School Board Attorney; had no update.

Mr. Mitchell Teitelbaum, Staff Attorney; updated the Board on the following:

Kinnan Lawsuit - shared that the Board had been previously advised that a motion to dismiss had been filed on behalf of the District. He noted that Mr. Troy Pumphrey, former District Office of Professional Standards (OPS) Investigator; had retained private council at his expense. He also note the Mr. Rick Mills, former Superintendent; had not yet been served and that no response to the District's motion had been filed.

Operations Update

Minutes: Mr. Ron Ciranna, Deputy Superintendent of Business Services and Operations; had no update.

SUPERINTENDENT REMARKS

Contract Negotiations - shared that it is not appropriate for staff to respond to comments regarding the health insurance during the ratification period.

School District Activities - noted that there are many academic and athletics activities going on at the schools and encouraged all to support these various events.

Principal Recognitions - shared that the Principals had been recognized earlier in the evening for the job they do.

BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Colon

No Comment.

Mr. Gause

District Staff - shared how important all District staff is and recognized the Superintendent and Administrative Staff for making them feel appreciated and increasing moral.

Contract Negotiations - shared that the Board is not allowed to respond to comments made during the ratification period.

Sales Tax - noted that the income from sales tax makes a huge difference in what the District can provide for the students and that it doesn't cost much for each household to contribute each year.

Mr. Miner

District Athletic Activities - shared that he had attended various District sporting events during the past weekend.

Sales Tax Presentations - noted that Mr. Doug Wagner, Executive Director of Adult, Career, and Technical Education; spoke at the Anna Maria Kiwanis Club meeting regarding the Sales Tax Referendum. He commended all of the Sales Tax Ambassadors for the job they have done educating the community.

Concert in the Park - noted he had attended Concert in the Park and shared how much he appreciated all the musical groups that participated.

Mr. Kennedy

Thank You - thanked all District staff for the job they do.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Vice-Chair Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 9:12 PM.

Diana Greene, Ex Officio Secretary
and Superintendent of Schools

Karen Carpenter
Chair

NOTICE

Any person who desires to appeal any decision made by the School Board with respect to any matter considered at the above-mentioned meeting will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which an appeal may be based. School Board meetings are held in accessible locations. Auxiliary aids will be provided, upon written request received at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, to participants with disabilities.