

MINUTES
School Board Workshop
April 24, 2012

This workshop, held at the Prosperity Bank Community Center, 790 North Ponce de Leon Blvd., St. Augustine, Florida, was called to order at 8:35 a.m. by Chairman Beverly Slough. Dr. Joseph Joyner called roll; all school board members were present. Also in attendance were School Board Attorney Frank D. Upchurch, III, district staff, and media representatives.

Opening Comments

Mr. Fehling spoke on the Nocatee "Future School Site" sign; Mr. Forson will look into this. Mr. Mignon reported on a recent news story regarding foreclosures in Florida and the effect on our school children. A discussion on homeless students followed. Dr. Joyner stated that this is the second week of FCAT and the first year of massive online testing instead of paper and pencil. Dr. Joyner also stated that there were some issues with logging in for the online test. Dr. Joyner recognized the Assessment and Information Technology staff for assisting with those issues.

Proposed School Board Rules

Dr. Joyner stated that the proposed goals were draft thoughts to help us better achieve our goals. Dr. Joyner also stated that input was gathered from school-based and department staff to steer us as we strive for continuous improvement.

Academic Services

Mrs. Mickler and the Academic Services staff presented goals on instructional delivery. A discussion on End-of-Course exams and standards followed.

Community Relations

Mrs. Langston presented goals on Communications and Information Systems that included procedures for material distribution to the schools.

Operational Services

Mr. Forson presented Facilities and Operations goals. Mr. Rose discussed long-range facilities construction planning. Mr. Forson stated that he would like to add a character goal that would include character building and leadership training for all new coaches and athletic directors.

Human Resources

Mr. Asplen presented goals on maintaining a well-qualified workforce in order to meet the on-going needs of the school district.

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Business/Fiscal

Mr. Degutis presented goals that focused on using available resources to implement the Strategic Plan.

Information Technology

Mr. Patrou presented goals from Information Technology. Mr. Patrou stated that the PATS (applicant system) and eSIS (student information system) will end, and all information will be converted to Sungard.

Public Comments

None

Closing Comments

Dr. Joyner asked if there was anything that should be added to the goals. Mr. Mignon commented that he appreciated the great deal of work that went into the presentation. Mr. Allen replied that there were a total of sixty-six slides and only two mentioned Character Counts. He would like to see new employees trained on Character Counts. Mr. Fehling stated that he liked the interactive approach to the presentation. Mrs. Slough stated that she enjoyed the presentation and it was easy to follow. Mrs. Wright reminded everyone of the Character Awards banquet on May 3.

There being no further business, the workshop was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Superintendent

Chairman

Date Approved