

## 02 14 2012 Work Session

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### New Business

#### 1. [8:30 - 8:40 AM School Board Comments](#)

##### Minutes:

Mr. Mullenax spoke on his recent meeting with Mark Grey, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, and thought other Board Members would benefit from the same information. He asked Mr. Grey to provide a brief report on capital outlay funds.

Dr. Nickell clarified that our capital funds will face significant issues if proposed legislation is passed. Senate Bill 1852 would divide our local capital improvement millage (1.5 mill ) on a per student basis and be allocated to all charter schools in the county: start up and conversion. Start up schools in the past have had a direct funding for capital outlay from the State; that will stop and they will receive a portion of our funding. In most cases, their building is rented to the charter by a management company (a for profit corporation). Conversion schools use our buildings and all maintenance is provided by district staff at no cost to the charter school to maintain the integrity and purpose of the building. Many of the COPS projects listed in the information provided in earlier discussions fund these conversion charter buildings. We would continue to pay on the debt and the schools would receive the millage funds. The district is anticipating a cut of \$4.4 million in addition to the debt service and maintenance costs.

Mr. Harris asked if districts can require conversion charters to pay rent or mortgage payments for use of the buildings. Mr. Grey thought that might be something to approach the legislators for consideration.

Fred Murphy, Assistant Superintendent of Facilities and Operations, provided a list of projects, either completed or in progress, at the conversion charters (over \$23.6 million in the past 10 years): roofing, restroom renovations, cafeterias, gymnasiums, asphalt, 6-classroom pods, 10-classroom wings, etc. This is the same resources that purchase

computers for classrooms (mandatory for state testing), buses, other equipment, etc.

Mrs. Fields asked for a work session to discuss the future of charter schools and strategies to protect the public school system. A discussion followed on students released from charters that are not allowed to enter our alternative education programs.

Mrs. Sellers reported that Dr. Nickell has contacted NEOLA (Tom Young) for a proposal to review/update Board policies. She would like to have a brief presentation on Tuesday, February 21st. If that is possible, and the Board wishes to go forward, the review could begin in April.

## Board Agenda Review

### 2. [8:40 - 9:00 AM Review Agenda of February 14, 2012](#)

Attachment: [02 14 12 School Board Agenda.pdf](#)

Minutes:

#### C-51 2012-2013 School Calendar

Mrs. Fields asked what results have been seen that support early release days? Why are there two early release days in one month? Comments she has received from the community do not support the early release of students.

Marianne Capozziello, President of Polk Education Association, responded that she has asked building representatives to gather information and/or support to combine the early release days.

Jose Farinas, Director of Employee Relations, stated that the Calendar Committee is made up of representatives from various areas: teachers, parents, community and staff.

Mr. Harris suggested that when preparing the connect ed messages, parents be reminded the early release days are for teacher planning.

Mrs. Wright asked if extended days are being discussed. Next year, it might be beneficial to provide rationale why certain days or breaks are named. She stated that other districts have spring break after FCAT testing.

#### C- 15 Budget Planning and Development (\$530,000 to purchase SAP upgrade)

Mrs. Wright noted that upgrades were purchased in 2010 for \$1.2 million . When will SAP be at it's optimum usage?

Mrs. Fields stated that it will assist district staff in reporting budget accounts, balances; and hopefully, prevent having large sums of money seemingly appear at the end of the year. It is position-based budgeting vs actual costs budget building.

## Discussion

### Item 3

#### 3. ~~9:00 - 9:20 AM Civil Citation Pilot Program~~

Attachment: ~~Civil Citation FAQs.pdf~~

Attachment: ~~Civil Citation Flow Chart - FINAL 1-2012.pdf~~

### Item 4

#### 4. [9:20 - 9:30 AM BREAK](#)

### Item 5

#### 5. [9:30 - 9:50 AM PASBOC Update](#)

Attachment: [Summary Findings from PASBOC Qualitative Evaluation.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Polk School Board Summary Feb2012.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Marcia Ford, Director of Grants, and Otis Anthony, Senior Director of Diversity Management, provided a brief report on the 2006-2011 Promoting Academic Success for Boys of Color grant.

Donna Marie Winn, University of North Carolina, gave a history on the selection process and achievements of the grant.

- 14 schools; 7 control/7 intervention
- teacher professional development, mentoring programs
  - 35% of teachers did not return surveys
  - some teachers did not answer all questions on the surveys
  - fewer than 20% of intervention teachers attended any PAS Professional Development

Mrs. Fields asked for individual school's data performance and what happens next?

Mrs. Winn stated that the data was not available by individual student nor school. To sustain the program, a moodle model was created for teacher professional development and the mentoring component. Other districts use Title I funds to sustain mentoring at a cost of approximately \$1800 per student.

### Item 6

#### 6. [9:50 - 10:15 AM Budget Update](#)

Attachment: [General Fund Budget Update Dec 2011.pdf](#)  
Attachment: [Charter School Changes - January 31, 2012.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Audra Curts, Senior Director of Finance, and Mark Grey, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, provided detailed information on the benefits of the proposed SAP upgrade purchase for financial reporting on a daily basis. It will provide clear, updated, detailed, line by line, transparent reporting. It is reporting of actuals and budget standpoints.

Dr. Nickell suggested that the level of budgeting detail requested by the Board be discussed at the February 21st Budget Work Session.

Item 7

7. [10:15 - 10:30 AM Ratified PEA Collective Bargaining Agreement Changes](#)

Attachment: [2-14-12 Exec Sum 11-12 PEA TAs WS-Bd.pdf](#)  
Attachment: [2-14-12 Attachment PEA Agreements 18p.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Item 8

8. [10:30 - 10:45 AM Physical Education/ Health Education Update](#)

Attachment: [Work Session for Health PE Feb 14.pdf](#)  
Attachment: [Physical Education Update PEP Grant.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Item 9

9. [10:45 - 11:00 AM 2011-2012 Student Progression Plan \(Draft\)](#)

Attachment: [Student Progression Plan 1112 Final Draft 120124.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Information

Item 10

10. [Revised Job Description for Director of Foodservice - Title Change to Director of School Nutrition](#)

Attachment: [Job Description for Director of School Nutrition 2-14-12 WS.pdf](#)

Item 11

11. [Renaming Bartow High School Softball Complex](#)

Attachment: [Bartow HS .pdf](#)

Adjournment

Work Session adjourned at 11:40 AM. Minutes were approved and attested this 28th day of February, 2012.

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Hazel Sellers, Board Chair

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Sherrie B. Nickell, Ed. D, Superintendent