

04 23 2013 Work Session 12 30 PM

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#### New Business

1. [12:30 - 12:45 PM Board Comments](#)

Minutes: Mr. Mullenax expressed his concern again regarding the Lake Wales Charter District recruiting students at our schools. He asked if the District can recruit on their campuses. Dr. Stewart will check with Superintendent Jackson regarding a solution and will report back.

Mrs. Sellers announced an Executive Session to address negotiations will be held on April 29, 2013 at 4:00 PM immediately following the candidate interviews.

2. [12:45 - 1:00 PM Update on Superintendent Search](#)

Minutes: The evening receptions for the west side of the district have been relocated to the Jim Miles Center in Highland City.

#### Board Agenda Review

3. [1:00 - 1:15 PM Review Board Agenda of April 23, 2013](#)

Attachment: [04 23 13 SB Agenda.pdf](#)

Minutes:  
[C -18 Bid Recommendations](#)

Mr. Berryman asked if the annual food bids were rebid each year. Scott Clanton,

Purchasing Director, said no but that we do not go longer than five years without rebidding.

#### C-14 Step Up Academy At-Risk Program

Mrs. Wright flagged this item for discussion. Due to the change in direction she is questioning the amount of resources needed for the expansion in services. Mrs. Cunningham also has concerns about the new targeted group. Dr. Stewart reported that over \$800,000 in personnel was allocated to the Academies. With the budget constraints the Academies have been instructed to target new students (student that are not currently enrolled within the district). The targeted group will be changed from Drop Outs to At Risk Students. Mr. Berryman asked if we were going back to the original seven communities targeted. Dr. Stewart recommends we see the four academies through and make future decisions based on performance. The purpose of tonight's vote will be to offer the four existing academies the opportunity to become a "school within a school" by surrendering their charter.

#### C -15 Charter School Projected Enrollment

The Superintendent recommends approval of Hartridge Academy and Lake Wales High Schools' request to add 25 to their enrollment and 6 for Polk Collegiate High School. Consensus was reached to move the item back to the consent agenda.

### Discussion

#### Item 4

#### 4. [1:15 - 1:30 PM Budget Update](#)

#### Minutes:

Audra Curts, Senior Director of Finance, provided the Board with a budget update.

- Fund Balance is substantial but steadily decreasing
- Close to reaching our flexibility capacity
- The Legislature has not kept up with the digital age
- The Legislature is proposing school districts pay colleges for dual enrollment
- No final rate for retirement has been announced
- The \$2,500 teacher raise will be tied to performance which will leave us with no flexibility
- New technology money will not be flexible
- Charter school enrollment increases equates to \$11-12 million

#### Item 5

5. [1:30 - 1:50 PM Evaluation Documents for General Counsel and Director of Internal Audit Services](#)

Attachment: [General Counsel Evaluation Document 4-23-13.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Internal Audit Director Evaluation Document 4-23-13.pdf](#)

Minutes: Both Mr. Bridges and Mrs. Phelps are comfortable with the document.

Item 6

6. [1:50 - 2:00 PM BREAK](#)

Item 7

7. [2:00 - 2:20 PM Bus Fleet Status and New Bus Purchase Concept](#)

Attachment: [School Bus Fleet Letter Final.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Bus Fleet Presentation Final.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Rob Davis, Senior Director of Support Services, has reviewed the bus fleet status and is looking for ways to place more reliable buses on the road. We are 88 buses short, not including this year's needed purchase (approximately 150 is needed). He outlined a plan to get the District back on a ten year replacement cycle. \$5.25 million was earmarked this year to purchase approximately 47 buses. We need to equip all buses with digital camera systems and GPS technology. He outlined a plan to purchase 255 buses over the next five years.

Mr. Harris asked which option was recommended. Mr. Davis would like to look at the 3 year option first. The Superintendent and Mr. Harris will meet with Mr. Davis to bring forth a recommendation.

A review of express routing for Magnet, Choice, and Charter transportation could save over \$300,000.

Item 8

8. [2:20 - 2:30 PM Magnet and Choice School Transportation Update](#)

Attachment: [Magnet and Choice Transportation 13-14 \(2\)final.pdf](#)

Item 9

9. [2:30 - 2:45 PM Catapult Mid-Year Performance Summary](#)

Item 10

10. [2:45 - 3:00 PM New Position and New Job Description for Intervention Facilitator](#)

Attachment: [New Position and New Job Description for Intervention Facilitator 4-23-13 WS.pdf](#)

Minutes: The facilitator will be funded by Title I. Schools can choose to redirect their funds to secure one of these positions to be a hands on behavior specialist - not a dean. This position would be in the classroom.

Item 11

11. [3:00 - 3:10 PM New Position for Coordinator, Budget](#)

Attachment: [New Position of Coordinator Budget for Head Start 4-23-13 WS.pdf](#)

Minutes: This is an equitable upgrade request for a Head Start position. The funds were approved but this position was not included in the original presentation to the Board.

Information

Item 12

12. [District Plan For Services To English Language Learners](#)

Attachment: [ELL Plan.pdf](#)

Item 13

13. [February 2013 Monthly Financial Statements](#)

Attachment: [Feb Financial Package.pdf](#)

Item 14

14. [College For Every Student \(CFES\) Grant](#)

Attachment: [CFES STEM Model Concept Paper.pdf](#)

Item 15

15. [Breakfast in the Classroom](#)

Attachment: [BIC Partnership Schools.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Signed by Partners Polk County MOU.pdf](#)

Attachment: [PBIC - Project Summary.pdf](#)

Item 16

16. [Farmworker Jobs and Education Continuation Grant](#)

Attachment: [Farmworkers Board Summary 13-14.pdf](#)

Item 17

17. [Magnet School Assistance Program Grant Application](#)

Attachment: [0 WS MSAP Grant 4.9.13.pdf](#)

Item 18

18. ~~Contract Modifications for Five Year Accountability Plans and Annual School Improvement Plans~~

Attachment: ~~0 AP and SIP WS 4.23.13.pdf~~

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 PM. Minutes were approved and attested this 14th day of May, 2013.

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Hazel Sellers, Board Chair

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Kathryn M. LeRoy, Superintendent