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Pledge of Allegiance

1. [C-1 Courtney Gleaton, 5th Grade, Spook Hill Elementary](#)

Minutes:

Call Meeting to Order

Acceptance of Agenda

2. [C-2 Acceptance of the May 14, 2019 School Board Agenda as Revised](#)

Minutes:

Motions:

Motion to accept the May 14, 2019 School Board agenda as revised. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham

Second: Sara Beth Reynolds

Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

Motions:

Motion to approve the Superintendent's Recommendation for the BridgePrep Charter Application to advance to the contract negotiation stage. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Kay Fields

Second: Lori Cunningham

Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Nay
Lisa Miller	- Nay
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Nay
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

Motion Minutes:

Mr. Townsend informed the public that BridgePrep is a for-profit charter school that chose to have as its public face, Ralph Arza, a convicted criminal. He was convicted of witness tampering. He was disavowed by the Ron DeSantis' campaign for Governor as being too racist. Mr. Townsend stated that the Charter Review Committee voted 11-1 against the BridgePrep application. Since the tie vote to deny at the last board meeting, Mr. Arza and his group's behavior has been abominable.

Mrs. Miller stated Mr. Arza is the legislative liaison for the charter group and it is his job to convince counties to allow these corporate charters into their districts. Corporate Charters are not your normal charter schools; they are run very differently. There would not be

one resident of Polk County on their Governing Board. She received a threatening letter from the group after voting to deny the application. She will not vote to place students and staff in jeopardy of people that operate in this manner.

Mrs. Fields read a statement: The mission of the district is 'Students First'. No matter what may be said negatively about the applicant of the charter school in general, the district's mission is to provide for a student's academic achievement. The district is facing an overcrowding challenge in East Polk; specifically the Haines City/Davenport area. If there is an opportunity to address a need that will favorably impact the student achievement, the district should explore it further. It is her understanding that the Superintendent's recommendation was to do just that. And, to look at the deficiencies mentioned to see if they can be addressed so that, ultimately, we can make sure we provide the necessary seats in East Polk County. When they originally came to us the location was identified as Lakeland. After discussions they agreed to look at East Polk County because of the overcrowding there. It is her understanding that if they win the appeal, they will locate the school in Lakeland which is not where we need help. We need help in East Polk County; that is why she brought the motion back. She was unable to attend the last Board meeting and apologized for missing it. Mrs. Field reiterated that we can't take care of east Polk County alone. We need help. She has reviewed their grades and they are comparable to what we are doing.

Ms. Fortney also received a letter from Mr. Arza and did not appreciate its tone. She wants the public to know that she supports Superintendent Byrd and she has never said she wants her to be dismissed or replaced. She asked that whomever is spreading this false statement to cease doing so. She may not agree with this recommendation but she fully supports Mrs. Byrd. We need to support our public schools with people that we trust.

Mrs. Cunningham commented that when BridgePrep came to the district, they were going to locate in the south Lakeland area. The growth and infrastructure need is in the east part of the county. She also had a concern that no one from Polk County would be on their governing board. When they returned, they agreed to look for a location in the east area and understood our need to have a local resident on their Board. The vote tonight is not to approve the charter school but will allow the district and the charter school to work together to negotiate the terms of the contract favorably because of the issues identified by the Charter Review Committee. Mrs. Cunningham feels that we owe it to our students to proceed to the next step in the process.

Ms. Reynolds echoed Mrs. Fields' and Mrs. Cunningham's comments. This vote is to allow contract negotiations to resolve those areas of concerns identified by the Charter Review Committee. If the charter application goes to appeal in Tallahassee, she doesn't think we have won an appeal in the last decade. We would have no say in the school's location or the membership of their governing board.

Mrs. Miller stated she understands the process but we also have protocols and procedures. This is the first time for her to have them come back in such an aggressive manner and a threatening letter full of falsehoods. She is leery of moving them to the next stage.

Mr. Townsend asked again that the vote be postponed until the June meeting.

Mr. Wilson commented that Mr. Arza sent a letter to several board members that was ill advised, ill conceived, terribly unfortunate and incredibly inappropriate. It called into question whether or not the board members were fulfilling their constitutional responsibilities to the community and the State. He finds this to be incredibly objectionable. There is no question in his mind that every member of the Board has in their heart the best interest of students and community. He publically requested Mr. Arza to issue an apology to those Board members. When districts build schools, those buildings become the property of the district and tax payers. Should the district no longer have a use of the facilities, we sell or give them to other public entities. Now, through state law, private entities can own the buildings and lease them to a charter organization. Mr. Wilson believes if this goes to Tallahassee for an appeal, we will not have a say in where they locate and who will serve on their board.

Motions:

Motion to postpone the BridgPrep discussion since it was not on the agenda. - FAIL

Vote Results

Motion: Billy Townsend

Second: Sarah Fortney

Lori Cunningham - Nay

Kay Fields - Nay

Sarah Fortney - Aye

Lisa Miller - Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds - Nay

Billy Townsend - Aye

Lynn Wilson - Nay

Special Recognitions

3. [C-3 Polk Pride Week Proclamation](#)

Attachment: [Polk Pride Week 2019.pdf](#)

4. [C-4 High School Voter Registration Recognition](#)
5. [C-5 Lake Region High Construction Academy](#)
6. [C-6 United Way Campaign Recognition](#)

Public Comments on Agenda Items

7. [C-7 SPEAKERS](#)

Approval of Minutes

8. [C-8 Approve Minutes of the March 19, 2019 Work Session](#)

Attachment: [03 19 2019 Work Session Minutes.pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2019 Work Session. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham

Second: Kay Fields

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Sarah Fortney - Aye

Lisa Miller - Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds - Aye

Billy Townsend - Aye

Lynn Wilson - Aye

9. [C-9 Approve Minutes of the March 19, 2019 School Board Meeting](#)

Attachment: [03 19 2019 School Board Minutes.pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to approve the Minutes of the March 19, 2019 School Board Meeting. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Sara Beth Reynolds

Second: Kay Fields	
Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

10. [C-10 Approve Minutes of the April 9, 2019 Roundtable Meeting](#)

Attachment: [04 09 2019 Roundtable Minutes.pdf](#)

Motions:	
Motion to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2019 Roundtable Meeting.	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Sara Beth Reynolds	
Second: Billy Townsend	
Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

11. ~~C-11 Approve Minutes of the April 9, 2019 Work Session~~

12. [C-12 Approve Minutes of the April 23, 2019 Work Session](#)

Attachment: [04 23 2019 Work Session Minutes.pdf](#)

Motions:	
Motion to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2019 Work Session.	- PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Sara Beth Reynolds

Second: Billy Townsend

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Sarah Fortney - Aye

Lisa Miller - Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds - Aye

Billy Townsend - Aye

Lynn Wilson - Aye

13. [C-13 Approve Minutes of the April 23, 2019 School Board Meeting](#)

Attachment: [04 23 2019 School Board Minutes.pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2019 School Board Meeting. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham

Second: Sara Beth Reynolds

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Sarah Fortney - Aye

Lisa Miller - Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds - Aye

Billy Townsend - Aye

Lynn Wilson - Aye

Approval of Consent Agenda

14. [C-14 Approval of Consent Agenda](#)

Motions:

Motion to approve consent agenda items. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham

Second: Sara Beth Reynolds

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Sarah Fortney - Aye

Lisa Miller - Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds - Aye

Billy Townsend - Aye

Lynn Wilson - Aye

New Administrator Announcements

15. [C-15 New Administrators](#)

- Attachment: [Ave' Wright-Gayner Bio.pdf](#)
- Attachment: [Matthew Blankenship Bio.pdf](#)
- Attachment: [Frances Echevarria Bio.pdf](#)
- Attachment: [Tom Patton Bio.pdf](#)
- Attachment: [Ricky Wiggs Bio.pdf](#)
- Attachment: [Angie Wilcox-Austin Bio.pdf](#)

Consent

Business Services General Items

16. [C-16 Bid Recommendations](#)

Attachment: [Bid Rec 5-14-19 REVISED.pdf](#)

Business Services Contracts

17. [C-17 P-01897 - District Wide - Construct Single Point of Entry \(CM Contract - Rodda Construction\)](#)

Attachment: [P_01897 - CM Contract - Rodda.pdf](#)

18. [C-18 P-01897 - District Wide - Construct Single Point of Entry \(CM Contract - Manhattan Construction Florida\)](#)

Attachment: [P-01897 CM Contract - Manhattan.pdf](#)

19. [C-19 INVO Renewal Contract \(Behavior Support\) - \\$1,946,000.00](#)

Attachment: [INVO Behavior Contract \(1\) 2019-20.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Budget-Impact-Analysis- INVO \(behavior\). 2019-20.pdf](#)

20. [C-20 P-01897 - District Wide - Construct Single Point of Entry \(CM Contract - Semco Construction\)](#)

Attachment: [P-01897 CM Contract - Semco.pdf](#)

Business Services Donations - CASH

21. [C-21 \\$500.00 Donation from Lake Wales Kiwanis Foundation, Inc. to Roosevelt Academy](#)

22. [C-22 \\$2,000.00 Donation from Jahna Foundation, Inc. to Roosevelt Academy](#)

23. [C-23 \\$1,000.00 Donation from Walmart to Roosevelt Academy](#)

24. [C-24 \\$550.00 Donation from Polk County Youth Fair, Inc. to Roosevelt Academy](#)

25. [C-25 \\$1,400.00 Donation from Citrus Ridge PTO to Citrus Ridge: A Civics Academy](#)

26. [C-26 \\$5,500.00 Donation from Mosaic LLC to Fort Meade Middle Sr High](#)

27. [C-27 \\$500.00 Donation From Publix Super Markets Charities, INC. to Haines City HS](#)

28. [C-28 \\$500.00 Donation from Fellows Truck Brokers, INC. to Haines City Senior](#)

29. [C-29 \\$500.00 Donation From State Farm Companies Foundation to Haines City Senior](#)

30. [C-30 \\$1,000.00 Donation From Wells Fargo Bank to Haines City Senior](#)

31. [C-31 \\$2,110.00 Donation from OneBlood, Inc. to Haines City HS](#)

32. [C-32 \\$1,670.00 Donation from Givewell Community Foundation to Snively Elementary](#)

33. [C-33 \\$500.00 Donation from The Benevity Community Impact Fund to Auburndale High School](#)

34. [C-34 \\$625.00 Donation from Sheila Graham to Winston Academy](#)

35. [C-35 \\$500.00 Donation from Wayne L. Gandy to Haines City Senior](#)

36. [C-36 \\$500.00 Donation from the City of Mulberry to Mulberry Middle](#)
37. [C-37 \\$660.00 Donation from Givewell Community Foundation to Griffin Elementary](#)
38. [C-38 \\$750.00 Donation from Kiwanis Club to George Jenkins High School](#)
39. [C-39 \\$4,001.50 Donation from Lake Ashton RV Community Benefit to Snively Elementary](#)

Business Services Purchasing Items for Curriculum

40. [C-40 Purchase of Study Edge, Teaching and Learning, \\$576,450](#)

Attachment: [2019-04-04 11-56.pdf](#)

Attachment: [AGA Letter.pdf](#)

Attachment: [FL - 000 - Polk County Public Schools - Workbook Quote.pdf](#)

Attachment: [AN Middle Grades Letter.pdf](#)

Attachment: [AN Sole Source Letter \(1\).pdf](#)

41. [C-41 Purchase of Imagine Math, Teaching and Learning, \\$224,000](#)

Attachment: [FL Polk County Signed Form 2019.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Sole Source January 2019.pdf](#)

42. [C-42 Purchase of Renaissance Flow 360 from Renaissance, Teaching and Learning, \\$1,500,000](#)

Attachment: [Polk 2019 Sole Source RenFlow.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Renaissance Terms.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Renaissance Polk 2019 Public-Records-Addendum \(SIGNED\) \(4.23.19\).pdf](#)

Attachment: [Renaissance Terms.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Polk 1 year 041719.pdf](#)

Facilities & Operations General Items – Administration

43. [C-43 Annual Certification of FISH Data](#)

Attachment: [2019 Annual Certification of Facilities Data Memo.pdf](#)

Attachment: [2019 Annual Certification of Facilities Data.pdf](#)

Facilities & Operations General Items – Construction Services

44. [C-44 Pre-Qualified Vendor List](#)

Attachment: [Vendor List Updated for Board 5-14-19.pdf](#)

Facilities & Operations - Project Requests

45. [C-45 P-01901 - District Wide - Intercom Security & Installation Upgrades \(Safety &](#)

[Security\) - Phase 2](#)

46. [C-46 C-00311 - Eastside Elementary - New Cafeteria and Four \(4\) Classroom Remodel](#)

Support Services General Items

47. [C-47 White Fleet Sale May 2019](#)

Attachment: [White Fleet Sale May 2019.pdf](#)

Support Services Field Trip Requests

48. [C-48 Out of State Field Trips](#)

Attachment: [Out of State Field Trips Agenda.5.14.2019.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Out of State Trip Information 5.14.19.pdf](#)

Teaching and Learning - Curriculum

49. [C-49 District ELL Plan](#)

Attachment: [2019-2021 District ELL Plan.pdf](#)

Regular

Administration - School Board

50. [R-50 Nomination for Sales Tax Oversight Committee](#)

Attachment: [Cynthia Wimberley.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Motions:

Motion to approve the appointment of Cynthia Wimberley to the Sales Tax Oversight Committee. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham

Second: Sara Beth Reynolds

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Sarah Fortney - Aye

Lisa Miller - Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds - Aye

Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

Business Services General Items

51. [R-51 Resolution 2018/2019-15 Hurricane/Tropical Storm Emergency Fuel Purchase](#)

Attachment: [Emergency Resolution 20182019 - 15.pdf](#)

Motions:	
Moting to approve Resolution 2018/2019-15, waiving the bidding process for the purchase of fuel in the event of a hurricane/tropical storm in our geographical vicinity.	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Sara Beth Reynolds	
Second: Kay Fields	
Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

52. [R-52 Emergency Authorization for 2019-2020](#)

Motions:	
Motion to approve authorization for Superintendent to approve contracts, bid awards, and other financial documents as needed between School Board meetings.	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Sarah Fortney	
Second: Sara Beth Reynolds	

Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

53. [R-53 Resolution 2018/19-16, Sales Tax Revenue Bond, Business Services, \\$200,000,000](#)

Attachment: [Bond Resolution with Exhibits - May 14, 2019.pdf](#)

Minutes:

Motions:	
Motion to approve Resolution 2018/19-16; Florida Sales Tax Revenue Bonds.	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Sara Beth Reynolds	
Second: Kay Fields	
Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

Motion Minutes:

Business Services Contracts

54. [R-54 P-01902 - District Wide - Fire Alarm Equipment & Upgrades to Existing Fire Alarm Systems \(GMP - Rodda Construction\)](#)

Attachment: [P-01902 GMP Rodda.pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to Confirmation approval of Amendment No. 1 to Rodda Construction's contract for a Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$970,722.00. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Kay Fields

Second: Lori Cunningham

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Sarah Fortney - Aye

Lisa Miller - Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds - Aye

Billy Townsend - Aye

Lynn Wilson - Aye

55. [R-55: C-00306 - Davenport Elementary Campus Renovation \(Construction Manager's Contract\)](#)

Attachment: [9. C-00306CMCONTRACT-Rodda.pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to Approve the Pre-Construction Services Fee of \$25,000.00. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham

Second: Sara Beth Reynolds

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Sarah Fortney - Aye

Lisa Miller - Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds - Aye

Billy Townsend - Aye

Lynn Wilson - Aye

56. [R-56: C-00307 - Mulberry Senior Campus Renovation \(Construction Manager's Contract\)](#)

Attachment: [9. C-00307CMCONTRACT - Rodda.pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to approve the Pre-Construction Services Fee of \$50,000 for Project C-00307. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Kay Fields

Second: Lori Cunningham

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Sarah Fortney - Aye

Lisa Miller - Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds - Aye

Billy Townsend - Aye

Lynn Wilson - Aye

Motions:

Motion to approve allowing the Superintendent to approve, upon review, Rodda Construction's Guaranteed Maximum Price proposal for this project. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Kay Fields

Second: Lori Cunningham

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Sarah Fortney - Aye

Lisa Miller - Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds - Aye

Billy Townsend - Aye

Lynn Wilson - Aye

Facilities & Operations General Items – Administration

57. [R-57: Resolution 2018-2019/13: Creating Sales Tax Oversight Committee](#)

Attachment: [Creation of Sales Tax Committee Resolution 2018.pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to Approve Resolution 2018/2019-13; Creation of a sales tax oversight committee. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham

Second: Sara Beth Reynolds

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Sarah Fortney - Aye

Lisa Miller - Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds - Aye

Billy Townsend - Aye

Lynn Wilson - Aye

Facilities & Operations General Items – Property Management - Land

58. [R-58: Lease Extension with City of Lakeland \(Mt. Tabor Road\)](#)

Attachment: [Mt. Tabor - PCSB TCE - Exhibit.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Mt. Tabor Road Property - General Location Map.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Q32_19 School Board of Polk County Florida - TCE.pdf](#)

Attachment: [PCSB - TCE Purchase Agreement \(revised\).pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to approve the lease extension with City of Lakeland at Mt. Tabor Road. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Billy Townsend

Second: Sara Beth Reynolds

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

59. [R-59 Lease Agreement with New Beginnings Charter School](#)

Attachment: [Gause Riverside Academy Campus - Location Map.pdf](#)
Attachment: [Gause Riverside Academy Campus \(Property Boundary\).pdf](#)
Attachment: [New Beginnings Lease 2.0.pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to approve lease agreement with New Beginnings Charter School.	- PASS
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Vote Results

Motion: Kay Fields

Second: Sara Beth Reynolds

Lynn Wilson	- Aye
Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye

60. [R-60 Lease Extension with C & B Farms \(Baily Road\)](#)

Attachment: [Bailey Road Property - Aerial.pdf](#)
Attachment: [Bailey Road Property - General Location Map.pdf](#)
Attachment: [1st Amendment Bailey Lease signed.pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to approve the lease extension with C & B Farms at Baily Road.	- PASS
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Vote Results	
Motion: Kay Fields	
Second: Billy Townsend	
Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

Human Resource Services Recommendations

61. [R-61 Recommendations for Administrative and Instructional Personnel Actions](#)

Attachment: 5-14-19 Instructional Term Supp Docs.pdf (Confidential Item)

Attachment: [5-14-19 Administrative and Instructional Board Agenda.pdf](#)

Minutes:

***Approved Personnel Recommendations

are recorded in

Supplemental Minutes Book, 80-A-2018,

Pages 463-488.***

Motions:	
Motion to Approve the Administrative and Instructional Personnel Recommendations.	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Lori Cunningham	
Second: Sara Beth Reynolds	
Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye

Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

62. [R-62 Recommendations for Non Instructional Personnel Actions](#)

Attachment: [5-14-19 Non-Instructional Board Agenda.pdf](#)

Attachment: 5-14-19 Non-Instructional Term Supp Docs.pdf (Confidential Item)

Minutes:

***Approved Personnel Recommendations

are recorded in

Supplemental Minutes Book, 80-A-2018,

Pages 463-488.***

Motions:	
Motion to Approve Non Instructional Personnel Recommendations.	-
Vote Results	
Motion: Sara Beth Reynolds	
Second: Billy Townsend	
Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	-

63. [R-63 Recommendations for Temporary Duty Assignments](#)

Attachment: [5-14-19 TDA BM.pdf](#)

Minutes:

***Approved Personnel Recommendations
are recorded in
Supplemental Minutes Book, 80-A-2018,
Pages 463-488.***

Motions:

Motion to Approve the Temporary Duty Assignments. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Billy Townsend

Second: Sara Beth Reynolds

Lori Cunningham - Aye

Kay Fields - Aye

Sarah Fortney - Aye

Lisa Miller - Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds - Aye

Billy Townsend - Aye

Lynn Wilson - Aye

Teaching and Learning - Magnet, Choice and Charters

64. [R-64 2019-2020 Charter School Projected Enrollment](#)

Attachment: [Proposed Bok North Campus 2019-20.pdf](#)

Attachment: [2019-2020 Charter School Projected Enrollment-BM.pdf](#)

Motions:

Motion to approve increasing the 2019-2020 enrollment at Polk State College Lakeland Gateway to College High School by 23 students for a total PTM of 248. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham
 Second: Billy Townsend

Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Abstain

Motions:
 Motion to approve an student enrollment increase of 15 at Victory Ridge Academy for 2019-2020 for a total PTM of 275. -

Vote Results
 Motion: Billy Townsend
 Second: Lori Cunningham

Motions:
 Motion to approve increasing the student enrollment for 2019-2020 at Cypress Junction Montessori by 18 for a total PTM 200. - PASS

Vote Results
 Motion: Sara Beth Reynolds
 Second: Kay Fields

Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye

Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

Motions:

Motion to approve increasing student enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year at Discovery High School by 150 for a total PTM of 850.	- PASS
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Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham

Second: Sara Beth Reynolds

Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

Motion Minutes: Mr. Townsend announced he will support the increase because it will allow students to roll up to high school but he does not agree with the way Discovery gets rid of kids. They got rid of 60 kids last year. He would love to see them clean up their act.

Motions:

Motion to approve increasing the 2019 - 2020 enrollment at BOK Academy by 200 students for a total PTM of 400 contingent upon proof of building capacity.	- PASS
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Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham

Second: Sara Beth Reynolds

Lori Cunningham	- Aye
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Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

Motion Minutes: Ms. Reynolds stated that a letter was received providing information on the building where the students will be located.

Motions:	
Motion to approve the previously PTM of 1650 at Lake Wales High School for the 2019-2020 school year.	- PASS
Vote Results	
Motion: Lori Cunningham	
Second: Billy Townsend	
Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

Public Hearing

Superintendent's Report

- 65. [Superintendent's Report](#)

Minutes:

A work session is scheduled for Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 12:30 PM to be held in the Superintendent's Conference Room followed by the School Board meeting at 5 PM to be held in the Auditorium located at 1915 S. Floral Avenue, Bartow

Mrs. Byrd also thanked everyone for entrusting their children to us and thanked everyone for their hard work.

Attorney's Report

66. [R-66 Request a Public Hearing on June 18, 2019](#)

Minutes:

Motions:

Motion to Advertise a Public Hearing for June 18, 2019 to address policy revisions and the Student Progression Plan. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Lori Cunningham

Second: Kay Fields

Lori Cunningham	- Aye
Kay Fields	- Aye
Sarah Fortney	- Aye
Lisa Miller	- Aye
Sara Beth Reynolds	- Aye
Billy Townsend	- Aye
Lynn Wilson	- Aye

Auditor's Report

Board Members' Report

67. [Billy Townsend, District 1](#)

Minutes:

Mr. Townsend spoke on an incident that took place last week involving a bus attendant. He would like to see buses that deal with disabled children treated as extensions of the

schools.

Mr. Townsend mentioned that he is pleased to see the movement that took place after people spoke on bullying during the last board meeting. The bullying allegation was found not to be negligence on behalf of the school. He commended Superintendent Byrd for her public statement and read two letters on behalf of parents in support of the staff at Medulla Elementary.

68. [Lori Cunningham, District 2](#)

Minutes:

Mrs. Cunningham announced a community meeting will be held at 5:30 PM on Tuesday, May 28th at the Davenport Community Center to update everyone on the Davenport Elementary construction activities.

She stated that Davenport School of the Arts donated \$207,000 to the Ronald McDonald House Charities. The funds were raised through ticket sales from drama performances throughout the year.

Mrs. Cunningham attended Haines City High School's Adams Family production and the Haines City Chamber's Youth Leadership Graduation celebration.

She congratulated Dr. Michael Akes, who was recently inducted into the Florida Southern Colleges' Circle of Leaders.

Mrs. Cunningham distributed invitations to her fellow Board Members to the Pamela Henderson dedication at Dundee Elementary Academy to be held on May 30th at 10:00 AM. She announced that Dundee Elementary is one of the two elementary schools in Polk County that have become a IB Early Years School.

69. [Sarah Fortney, District 3](#)

Minutes:

Ms. Fortney stated that she, too, received many emails in support of Medulla Elementary. She apologized to Medulla's staff for not asking better questions during the last meeting.

Ms. Fortney gave shout outs to the many functions she attended and was pleased with the artwork she saw at Munn Park.

Ms. Fortney announced that prior to Mrs. Byrd becoming Superintendent district-wide consistency was lacking. She has a lot of respect for Mrs. Byrd and her opinions; she may not agree with everything she does but she supports her and the position. Ms. Fortney announced that she has never called for Mrs. Byrd to be displaced, replaced or

dismissed.

70. [Sara Beth Reynolds, District 4](#)

Minutes:

Ms. Reynolds stated that this is the most exciting time of the year due to all of the functions that are going on right now. The event that stood out the most to her was the Hearth luncheon where the guest speaker donated \$1500 in gift cards to the students.

Ms. Reynolds gave kudos to Auburndale High School for their performance of the Adams Family. The students raised over \$5000 through the 3 night events.

She presented Mrs. Byrd's power point at a Winter Haven Kawanis meeting recently and was able to clarify our graduation rates based on state requirements.

71. [Kay Fields, District 5](#)

Minutes:

Mrs. Fields commended the 200 graduates of the Fresh Start program. These students have struggled and faced many hardships.

She personally went to Medulla Elementary and met all of the great staff. Thanked them for their hard work and dedication.

She also thanked all the employees that supported United Way.

72. [Lynn Wilson, District 6](#)

Minutes:

73. [Lisa Miller, District 7](#)

Minutes:

Mrs. Miller had an opportunity to meet with Auburndale High School students who participated in the Auburndale Chamber Leadership program.

She stated that the Polk Museum of Art is a great showcase for our students' artwork. The Video Awards is her favorite event and it's amazing to see what the students produce.

Mrs. Miller announced the district's summer school program runs from June 5 - 27th.

She commended Mr. Hill for putting together a committee which will provide behavioral support to our schools.

Public Comments Addressing Items Not on Agenda

74. [SPEAKERS](#)

Minutes:

Nancy Simmons apologized for the charter decisions that were made during her tenure as a board member that is causing problems now for the Board. She stated that she participated (with the League of Women Voters) in a thorough 10-month study of charter schools in Polk County. It was found that the district's Charter Review Committee does an amazing job.

Sue Shultz, League of Women Voters, stated that charters were to be non-profit schools. She spoke against BridgePrep's application.

Sherry Kelly voiced her support and appreciation of Mrs. Byrd and the accomplishments made this year.

Howe Wallace is very proud of the Polk County school system and praised Mrs. Byrd.

John Ruffin, President of Polk County Concerned Citizens, asked for solidarity among all school board members.

Jack Harper stated that his daughter has endured bullying from the softball coach at Frostproof Middle Senior where he feels there is lack of leadership and accountability. Mrs. Byrd asked Tami Dawson, Regional Assistant Superintendent, to meet with Mr. Harper.

Keith Ward announced there is an army of supporters that stand behind Superintendent Byrd. She is a true asset.

Jackie Short spoke positively about Dr. Benjamin Henry, Principal at Highlands Grove Elementary. He exhibits leadership and is fair and consistent.

Steven and Jen Harness asked for reconsideration of the K-12 virtual curriculum provider. Mrs. Byrd requested Dr. Michael Akes, Associate Superintendent of Learning and Chief Academic Officer, to meet with the parents.

James Neil spoke in support of Mrs. Byrd.

Amanda Shirah missed the Open Enrollment application time line and now her children

are not able to continue at the school. Mr. Wilson requested Carolyn Bridges, Senior Director of Acceleration and Innovation, to meet with Mrs. Shirah.

Mr. and Mrs. Dodney voiced appreciation of the new radios that the district will be implementing. He would like the school's ESE teacher or paraprofessional ride the bus with their students.

Angelina Hernandez stated her son was abused by a bus attendant. She would like all bus videos to be reviewed once a week to prevent future abuse incidents. Mrs. Byrd requested Rob Davis, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services, and Dr. Kimberly Steinke, Associate Superintendent of Learning Support, to meet with the parent.

Ellis Maldonado spoke of the abusive incident that recently occurred on a bus and the children that were affected.

Tamisa Moore spoke in support of Principal Henry at Highlands Grove Elementary.

Dawn Jeffords, Principal of Eastside Elementary, also spoke in support of Dr. Henry. He is a strong mentor and supporter.

Nick Scholomaski stated that Dr. Henry is a professional all the time.

Melissa Hazlet, Network Manager at Highlands Grove Elementary, spoke in support of Dr. Henry.

Roshondah and Kaliah Lucas spoke in support of Dr. Henry.

Nichole Gibson spoke in support of Medulla Elementary and Principal Richardson.

Mark Epperson, Pastor of the Medulla Baptist Church, also support Medulla Elementary, Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. MacLeod.

Jenny Curry spoke in support of Medulla and Mrs. Richardson

Jackie Hood read a parent letter who supports the school and Mrs. Richardson.

Andy Baker supports the staff of Medulla and Mrs. Richardson.

Sandra Brown read a letter from Tiffany Rico in support of Medulla and Mrs. Richardson.

Catherine Larrison spoke on behalf of Mrs. Richardson and Medulla.

Candy Hess spoke on behalf of the staff and administration of Medulla.

Jill Smith read a letter on behalf of another parent who supports the administration of Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. MacLeod.

Jennifer Coleman spoke in support for Mrs. Richardson and Medulla.

Tracy Dannimiller spoke on her granddaughter's bullying issue at Medulla.

Dr. Ed Shoemaker spoke in support of Medulla.

Jeremy Cannon spoke on behalf of Medulla and Mrs. Richardson.

Victor Chandler spoke about recalculating teacher raises.

Bishop Mincey commented that we should focus on good things, encourage one another and we should trust our Superintendent.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m. Minutes approved and attested this 18th day of June 2019.

Lynn Wilson, Board Chair

Jacqueline M. Byrd, Superintendent