

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA  
APPROVED MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
June 6, 2000

The School Board of Alachua County, Florida, met in regular session duly called at 7 p.m. in the Boardroom, 620 East University Avenue, Gainesville, Florida. Present were: Barbara Sharpe, chairman; Judy Brashear, vice-chairman; Bill Cake, Bev Carroll, and Chester Leathers, members; Lawrence L. Marazza, superintendent; and James F. Lang, attorney for the Board.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sharpe, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Cake

Seconded by Mrs. Carroll

Moved to approve the minutes of May 16, 2000, as presented.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Cake

Seconded by Mrs. Carroll

Moved to adopt the agenda for the meeting of June 6, 2000, as presented.

The following changes were made to the agenda: Delete from A.3., Minutes for Special Board Meeting of May 2, 2000; add Wrestling Team, State Tournament Winners, to Recognition Item f., Gainesville High School; add to Action Item g., item (5) Student Case 00-36-X; and delete Consent Agenda Item 8., Annual Insurance Renewal of the Student Accident Insurance with Fowinkle & Schroer School Insurance Agency.

The question was called on the agenda as amended.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

BOARD MEMBER  
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board members announced events attended that included end-of-the-school-year awards ceremonies, banquets, and graduation ceremonies. They commended the audiences, students, teachers, bands and choruses of several of the schools on their behavior, efforts and participation in this year's graduation ceremonies.

Mrs. Brashear commended and thanked Gainesville High School Humanities teacher Jim Owens for sharing the poignant valedictory writings of his students.

Chairman Sharpe shared a letter she received from the Gator Detachment/Marine Corp League thanking her for representing the School Board at the Memorial Day ceremony naming the stadium at Citizens Field, the Milton Lewis Stadium.

The Board extended condolences to the families and friends of the following former employees: Carrie Lovette, retired teacher, Lincoln Middle School; Inez Hale Campbell, cook, Talbot Elementary School; and Patricia Singleton Coles Evans, teacher, Howard Bishop Middle School.

Mr. Cake stated that he was very impressed with the increased number of scholarship recipients and requested staff work with principals to compile a list of scholarships and inform *The Gainesville Sun* for student recognition.

SCHEDULED

AGENCIES—Alachua County Public Schools Foundation, Inc.—Health Adventures Program

Ms. Susan Patrick, Alachua County Public Schools Foundation, recognized Shands Hospital for allowing 14 students in the “Take Stock In Children” program to participate in the 10-month Health Adventures Program, which introduced the students to a variety of health professions.

RECOGNITION—  
TALBOT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL—State Reading Awards

Dr. Suzy Colvin, principal, Talbot Elementary School, recognized students Riley Bauer for placing first in the State Reading Rainbow contest, and Taylor Maxfield for placing first in the State Poetry contest.

ALACHUA COUNTY SCHOLASTIC CHESS ASSOCIATION—  
J.J. Finley and Eastside Championships

Ms. Monica Dewitt, Florida Scholastic and Alachua County Chess League, thanked the Board for their financial support and recognized the chess teams from J.J. Finley Elementary and Eastside High schools on their first place finishes in the state championship.

NEWBERRY HIGH SCHOOL—Outstanding High School Chemistry Teacher—(ACS) Florida Section

Dr. Wiley Dixon, principal, Newberry High School, recognized Newberry High School teacher Dr. Cynthia Holland for being named Outstanding High School Chemistry Teacher by the American Chemical Society of Florida.

KANAPAHA MIDDLE SCHOOL—Mirage Magazine and Wordmasters Challenge

Dr. Janice McPhail, principal, Kanapaha Middle School, recognized and commended the *Mirage* magazine staff and sponsor for being named by the American Scholastic Press Association as the Most Outstanding Middle School Literary Art Magazine.

Kanapaha Middle School 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>-graders were recognized for their participation and outstanding performance in the Word Masters Challenge.

EASTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL—Girls Crew Teams State Championship  
French and Spanish State Championships

Mr. Bill Herschleb, principal, Eastside High School, recognized the Freshman and Novice Girls Crew Teams as Gold winners in the Florida State Championship Rowing Regatta.

Eastside’s French and Spanish teams were recognized for their first place showing, respectively in the Florida State Spanish Conference and the State French Competition.

GAINESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL—2000 National Latin Exam Winners

Dr. Charles Hall, principal, Gainesville High School, recognized students for their outstanding performance in the 2000 National Latin Exam.

Wrestling Team

Gainesville High School’s Wrestling Team had outstanding showings in the State 2A Wrestling Tournament.

BELL RINGER AWARD

Mrs. Grace White, public information officer, recognized Eastside High School Institute of Culinary Arts instructor Billie DeNunzio as Bell Ringer for the month of June, 2000. Ms. DeNunzio was commended for her tireless efforts and outstanding contributions to the students of Alachua County.

The regular Board meeting was recessed and a Public Hearing convened.

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PUBLIC HEARING—  
SANTA FE  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
CHARTER HIGH  
SCHOOL

Mrs. Brashear thanked district and Santa Fe Community College staff for their combined efforts in working out this issue.

Parents addressed the Board in support of continuation of the Dual Enrollment Program and in support of the proposed Charter High School.

Dr. Leathers stated that he is a proponent of the dual enrollment program but does not support the charter school movement. He regrets that the Legislature does not appropriately fund this program.

Mr. Cake stated that he is very supportive of the dual enrollment program and prefers to continue to discuss other financial arrangements prior to taking a final vote for the charter school.

Chairman Sharpe stated that the School Board and Santa Fe Community College (SFCC) have always had a very good working relationship. She stated that the dual enrollment program is an excellent program and she does not want to see it end and hoped an agreement could be worked out whereby SFCC would allow the School Board to pay for half of the dual enrollment program. She felt the

proposed Charter School should be the last resort and is willing to work something out with the financing and do what is best for students.

The Public Hearing was adjourned and the regular Board meeting reconvened.

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CITIZEN INPUT

The following suggestions/recommendations/requests were presented to the Board for consideration:

- Ms. Barbara Gallant, referring to an anonymous letter she received, stated she would continue to speak against or for whatever she feels strongly about and continue to do what she feels is in the best interest of students. She presented a written request to the Board for a list of all new non-classroom positions beginning August 1998, including the number of TSA's as of August 1998 and May 2000.
- Mr. Gunnar Paulson, president, Alachua County Education Association, complimented the staff at Sidney Lanier Center for their efforts. He also commended Superintendent Marazza for making the changes necessary to improve the system and sharing his expertise and knowledge in the collaborative bargaining process.
- A former Sidney Lanier parent commended the dedicated teachers, staff, and principal Cathy Costello for her leadership and urged the Board not to allow her to be transferred.
- Ms. Allison Law, vice chair, Alachua County Recreation and Open Space Commission, encouraged the Board to become involved in the countywide process related to the recreation master plan proposal, which will be voted on by the Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday, June 13, 2000. She reported that funding of the proposal is not adequate and requested School Board participation in this process. She also provided the Board with statistical information related to the high rate of crimes among juveniles in the Gainesville community in comparison to the state and national average.

Dr. Leathers informed the Board that he was appointed as the Board's representative to this committee, but was unable to attend the meetings and requested the committee allow him to designate Ms. Vickie McGrath from the Facilities Division. Unfortunately, the committee did not feel Ms. McGrath was an acceptable substitute and she was not accepted into the committee.

Mr. Cake suggested Mr. John Sims who handles recreational needs for the School Board be designated as the Board's representative on the committee.

Mr. Terry Tougaw, assistant superintendent, Facilities/Transportation, stated he would cover future meetings of the committee.

REPORT—Sidney Lanier  
School

Superintendent Marazza reported that he has met with the Sidney Lanier School Advisory Council (SAC) to discuss modifications to the master plan and will present a proposal which has drastically changed the master plan voted on by the Board. Staff has addressed short- and long-term needs and has dealt with accessibility to bathrooms as well as modified the plan to build new buildings. He took the liberty, pending board approval, to have the SAC respond in concept form, and the SAC expressed unanimous support of the proposal. Detailed architectural plans have not been developed.

He requested Mr. Terry Tougaw, assistant superintendent, Facilities/Transportation, and Mr. Ed Gable, director, Facilities, to present an overview of what was reviewed with the Lanier SAC and requested the Board's approval to facilitate and expedite completion of a major building project.

Mr. Tougaw reported that he has met with Principal Cathy Costello, Lanier and district staff, and Dr. Leathers to discuss interim improvements to be made over the summer in terms of needs and some new ideas.

Mr. Gable presented an overview of the proposal, which is a revision of the master plan. It would create two campuses and do two things—identify the two populations but in opposite orientations as they were before but also maintain the core of the campus.

It would use the existing classrooms (the three wings) for the Anchor Center, maintain the lab and resource and administrative areas, build two new buildings to house Physical Education and the Food Service. The main difference in this plan is we would begin with a 12-classroom building for Lanier, state of the art, accessible, appropriate from the ground up with anticipated completion by the fall of 2003 at a cost of 3.5 million dollars. The disruption is greatly reduced and all students would move into new facilities at one time. Interim changes would be made in the three wings for toilet facilities. They would immediately move in when the new building is completed and minor renovations could be accomplished for the Anchor Center.

Mr. Tougaw stated that staff would procedurally like to get a visual

approval and would then propose to work with Lanier staff, the master planning committee and architects to present a revised master plan for Board approval. This issue would be discussed at the capital outlay workshop to identify revenue sources to accomplish this project in a shorter period of time.

Dr. Leathers informed the Board that he was asked by the Lanier staff to work with the planning committee and was happy to do so and hopes everyone realizes that this is an antiquated building.

Board members expressed full support of the project and wanted assurances that the money is available.

Superintendent Marazza stated that Lanier is an example that you cannot use traditional sources of funding, and he will expeditiously provide the Board with other revenue options.

Chairman Sharpe requested the Board immediately schedule a capital outlay workshop on June 20, 2000, 9 a.m., and also schedule an Executive Session at 6 p.m.

She also requested staff provide prior to the June 20 capital outlay workshop an audit of every school that is having an emergency problem similar to Lanier and prioritize the emergency, what needs to be done and how quickly it needs to be done.

Mr. Tougaw stated that staff intends to update the Board on the 17 schools that are currently in the master planning process in addition to all capital outlay considerations, and also discuss districtwide needs.

Superintendent Marazza informed the Board that staff will present a prioritization of projects and present a comprehensive review of funding options.

Ms. Costello thanked the Board members for their support.

Ms. Lynda Knight, SAC member, also thanked the Board for its prompt response to their concerns and urged the Board to have the courage to respond as quickly to the rest of the schools.

Mrs. Brashear thanked staff for their efforts and looks forward to discussing creative solutions.

#### 2000-2001 School Calendar

Superintendent Marazza informed the Board that a few minor changes may need to be addressed on the 2000-2001 school calendar, which

include College Night, Veterans Day, and possible conflicts during spring break.

Mr. John Dukes, assistant superintendent, Student Support Services, reported that the 2001-2002 calendar has been presented to the superintendent.

ADMINISTRATIVE  
APPOINTMENT(S)

Motion by Mrs. Brashear

Seconded by Mrs. Carroll

Moved the superintendent's recommendation to appoint Mrs. Glenda Good as principal of Littlewood Elementary School, effective July 1, 2000.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

Motion by Mr. Cake

Seconded by Dr. Leathers

Moved the superintendent's recommendation to appoint Ms. Jennifer Schneider as principal of Kanapaha Middle School, effective July 1, 2000.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

Motion by Mrs. Carroll

Seconded by Dr. Leathers

Moved to approve the reassignments of Dr. Janice McPhail as principal of Newberry Elementary School, Dr. Robert Craig as principal of Glen Springs Elementary School, and Mr. Bruce Tomlinson as principal of Metcalfe Elementary School, effective July 1, 2000.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

CHARTER SCHOOL  
CONTRACT FOR  
GENESIS  
PREPARATORY  
SCHOOL OF  
GAINESVILLE, INC.

The application for Genesis Preparatory School of Gainesville, Inc., was approved by the Board February 15, 2000, and the public hearing was held May 2, 2000. The school will serve 40 kindergarten students during the first year, 70 K-1 students during the second year and 100 K-2 students during the third year.

Motion by Mrs. Carroll

Seconded by Mrs. Brashear

Moved the superintendent's recommendation to approve the contract for the Genesis Preparatory School of Gainesville, Inc., as submitted.

Ms. Charmaine Henry, principal, Genesis Preparatory School of Gainesville, Inc., informed the Board that a location has been found, which was formerly the Steve Spurrier Health Spa building, but it is tentative at this time until she gets a lease from the owner.

Chairman Sharpe reminded Ms. Henry that the deadline to confirm a permanent location is August 11, 2000.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

FUNDING OF  
RETIREMENT FOR  
FORMER BOARD  
MEMBERS

The Superintendent noted that Board Attorney Jim Lang had provided information for the Board regarding the request of Dr. James W. Longstreth for retirement pay by the School Board for the two-year period 1988 and 1989. Superintendent Marazza supported Mr. Lang's advice to obtain an Attorney General's Opinion that specifically sets forth the factual situation and thus make sure that the Attorney General believes that the Board is authorized to make such payment.

Dr. Longstreth noted that during the 1990 legislative session a provision was enacted which required the contribution of school boards in the state for retirement accounts for elected school board members. An added provision was that for the years prior to 1990, the payment of the retirement cost was a local option of the board. Since he had retired from the state in 1988, he along with the other members of the School Board opted to not pay for the two years in question as it was not anticipated that it would subsequently effect any future retirement benefits. The cost at the time of the enactment would have been \$10,865.92. Considering the interest the School Board was able to generate by not paying the initial amount in 1990, he is requesting payment in the amount of \$13,125.59.

Dr. Longstreth stated that he plans to retire July 1, 2000, and his concern is that the retirement cannot be changed after July 1. If the Board chooses to pay the retirement, he will place a like amount in trust should the Attorney General not agree with the decision to pay.

Motion by Mr. Cake

Seconded by: Dr. Leathers

Moved to honor this request pending a positive Attorney General's Opinion and if the July 1 deadline cannot be met, accept the escrow alternative suggested by Dr. Longstreth.

Board members discussed and expressed concerns with the legalities of making payment prior to receiving an opinion and of the escrow alternative.

Chairman Sharpe specifically expressed concern relative to Section 237.121(2), F.S., which states in part "Each member of any school board voting to . . . approve or pay any illegal charge against the said funds, and any chair of a school board or superintendent who shall sign a warrant for payment for any such claim or bill of indebtedness

against any of the said funds shall be personally liable for the amount, and shall be guilty of malfeasance in office and subject to removal by the Governor.”

Mr. Lang noted that there would be enough time to address the issue at the June 20, 2000, Board meeting.

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Motion by Mr. Cake                      Seconded by Dr. Leathers

Moved that Board Attorney Jim Lang request an Attorney General’s Opinion.

Mrs. Brashear suggested that Mr. Lang also request an extension of the deadline.

The question was called.                      Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICES FOR  
PROJECTS SBAC  
CA838—HAWTHORNE  
HIGH SCHOOL HVAC  
REPAIRS AND SBAC  
CB910 NEWBERRY  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
HVAC REPAIRS

Mr. Ed Gable, director, Facilities, reported that interviews were conducted on May 31, 2000, for the selection of the engineering professional on the referenced projects.

Mrs. Brashear requested a letter to the Mayor of Newberry, the County Commissioners and advisory committees informing them that the Newberry Elementary School HVAC repairs and Newberry High School Science Classroom Additions (Consent Agenda item 33.) projects were approved by the Board.

Motion by Mr. Cake                      Seconded by Mrs. Carroll

Moved the superintendent’s recommendation to accept the following firm rankings: (1) Ingley, Campbell, Moses & Associates, Inc., Gainesville, Florida; (2) Brian Cumming & Associates, Inc., Maitland, Florida; (3) Tilden Lobnitz Cooper Engineering, Jacksonville, Florida.

The question was called.                      Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

PROPOSED POLICY  
5.44, SCHOOL  
UNIFORMS—FIRST  
READING

Motion by Mr. Cake                      Seconded by Dr. Leathers

Moved the superintendent’s recommendation to schedule a public hearing 7:30 p.m., June 20, 2000, to consider the proposed Policy 5.44, School Uniforms.

Chairman Sharpe stated that the proposed policy has no teeth and is not a serious effort. It is her opinion that the Board will have to bus students who prefer not to go to a uniform school all over the school

system, which will cause an additional burden on an already overtaxed transportation system. She feels this proposed policy is divisive and is not serious and she does not want to be a part of setting up a school for failure. She will vote to support scheduling a public hearing June 20, 2000, but will not vote for the policy.

The question was called. Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

REVISED/NEW JOB  
DESCRIPTIONS—  
SECOND READING

Dr. Bill Cliett, director, Human Resources, stated that an amendment to the job description for the Director of Safety, Risk Management and Employee Benefits that allows for the job description to be divided to reflect a job description for Director of Payroll and Benefits and a job description for Director of Risk Management was approved May 2, 2000, for advertising.

Motion by Mrs. Brashear Seconded by Dr. Leathers

Moved the superintendent's recommendation to approve the revised/new job descriptions as advertised.

Dr. Mary Chambers, assistant superintendent, Business Services, informed the Board that these two descriptions split the former director's job into two separate jobs. She noted the money has been budgeted and is available from the safety money and the flexible salary budget.

Staff Attorney Tom Wittmer informed the Board that the actual job descriptions are being approved tonight and the positions usually get approved through the budget process.

Dr. Chambers noted that rationale for this recommendation was provided to the Board at the First Reading and assured the Board that the new position has nothing to do with strategic planning, but is based on a resignation of an employee and reassessment of the responsibilities for that position. She noted that both jobs are critical and require expertise.

Chairman Sharpe asked for clarification on what the Board is actually voting on when it votes on these job descriptions. Does this mean the Board is voting to fill these positions?

Mr. Wittmer stated that in recent years the Board has adopted job descriptions through rulemaking and tonight is the final step in that process. The Board would be voting on the adoption of the job descriptions.

Dr. Chambers reiterated that there are budget dollars in the current budget for position flexibility during the year.

Responding to Mrs. Carroll, Dr. Chambers stated that aspects of both jobs are critical to the district. The payroll director is responsible for \$100,000,000 that runs through payroll each year. There has been a huge emphasis on safety and an increase in investigations and the director for risk management will be responsible for this and will also work with FSBA's Insurance Trust attorneys. These are areas in which we need to have expertise.

Mrs. Brashear asked if the Board approves this tonight if that means there will be two positions that can be advertised and then filled out of this year's budget.

Mr. Wittmer responded, "That is correct."

Mrs. Carroll stated the assumption is if we vote on this then the money is there and the two positions will be filled.

Superintendent Marazza stated that his assumption is the position would not be filled until budgeting because it is so close.

Board members asked if approving the job descriptions meant staff could go ahead and advertise and hire someone to fill the positions.

Dr. Chambers noted her understanding, after hearing the Superintendent's recommendation, is to fill the existing position and approve the job descriptions and go through next year's budgeting process to fill these positions.

Chairman Sharpe and Mr. Cake would prefer filling the existing position and putting the other one on hold until the next budgeting process.

Superintendent Marazza noted that this allows consideration of the extra position in the mix of everything else being considered if it goes through the budget process.

Dr. Chambers noted that part of the money for the original position is there, and the Superintendent budgeted \$200,000 in this current budget for position flexibility.

A citizen suggested that until the Board receives a thorough explanation of these two positions, the Board should not move forward to approve them.

Superintendent Marazza noted that written rationale for these two positions has been presented to the Board.

The question was called.

Upon Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Brashear  
Mr. Cake  
Mrs. Carroll  
Dr. Leathers

Chairman Sharpe clarified that she will be voting on the position that Mr. Hotary filled. She thinks it is important to go ahead and fill this position. She would be willing to hold off on the second position and not vote for it. She feels it needs to wait.

Dr. Cliett felt that by voting on the job descriptions, the old position no longer exists. The original position now becomes two positions.

Mrs. Carroll stated that Dr. Chambers brought this recommendation forward because there is a need in her department and she runs an excellent division. She noted that Dr. Chambers informed her that the former job description for the director of risk management had changed significantly and that in order to do this job it had to be split.

Mrs. Carroll expressed concern that the Board not vote to limit staff to only filling Mr. Hotary's position and confuse staff as to which position to hire for or hire for a position that no longer exists.

Chairman Sharpe stated she will vote on the motion, but noted she doesn't want to do anything on the Strategic Plan that the board has not voted for.

Upon Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Sharpe  
Motion passed 5-0

STUDENT CASE  
NO. 00-05-X

Mr. Tom Wittmer, staff attorney, reported that the student is charged with violence against school personnel and possession of an electronic telephone pager while on campus. A hearing was held on March 21, 2000.

Mr. Wittmer reported that the parent is present and wishes to address the Board at the end of the business meeting.

STUDENT CASE  
NO. 00-25-HC

Mr. Wittmer reported that the student was reassigned to the alternative program as a result of a history of disruptive behavior. A hearing was held on April 25, 2000.



REVISIONS TO THE  
CODE OF STUDENT  
CONDUCT—FIRST  
READING

Motion by Mrs. Brashear

Seconded by Mrs. Carroll

Moved the superintendent's recommendation to schedule a public hearing 7:30 p.m., June 20, 2000, to consider revisions to the Code of Student Conduct.

Ms. Kathy Black, director, Student Support Services, presented an overview of the changes.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mrs. Carroll

Seconded by Mrs. Brashear

Moved to approve the Consent Agenda as described in items 1-37, with deletion of item 8. (See Supplementary Minutes Book.)

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 5-0

BOARD MEMBERS/  
SUPERINTENDENT  
REQUESTS

Mrs. Carroll informed the Board that the School Readiness Coalition Plan was accepted in part, which means funding for Pre-K will be coming to the district.

Dr. Leathers expressed concern with the Superintendent's authorization of expenses related to the Strategic Plan prior to Board approval of the Plan.

Dr. Leathers informed the Board that he discussed attendance at the Sterling conference by several staff members with Superintendent Marazza. He stated that he does not have a problem with the Sterling group, but felt the trip should have been approved by the Board as it relates to the strategic planning process.

Mrs. Carroll stated that the Board has never approved individual conferences in the past.

Chairman Sharpe stated that she assumed that nothing would be carried out until the Strategic Plan was voted on, whether in concept or otherwise.

Mr. Lang stated that unless there was some kind of consensus to not expend money, the superintendent has the right to expend funds.

Dr. Leathers understood that at a previous Board meeting the Board discussed voting on the Strategic Plan in concept in June and until that time the Board would not authorize expenditures. He felt it important to note that the Board needs to be clear as to the Superintendent having

authority to authorize expenditures related to the strategic planning process.

Mrs. Carroll stated that staff had been looking at the Sterling group previously and that it was not considered as part of the Strategic Plan.

Mrs. Brashear stated that the superintendent has the authority to spend money that has been budgeted.

Mr. Cake stated that he supports Board members being made aware of events before they occur.

Superintendent Marazza indicated that there was no training at the Sterling conference, that it focused on high performance, effectiveness and improved delivery of services.

Chairman Sharpe stated that Board members are frustrated and feel they do not have the benefit of input. She was not aware that Superintendent Marazza was sending 18 or 19 people to a Sterling conference and expressed concerned because the Strategic Plan has not even been voted on in concept. She is not against change, but it depends on the process. She feels that anytime you have something of that magnitude it should come before the School Board and the people. She felt that information is not being given out that should be provided.

She also expressed concerns that the community did not have input into the strategic planning process based on the number of calls she has received. She does not want anything to go on in this strategic plan unless it comes to the Board for a vote. She noted that there are only two ways to do something--the right way and the wrong way. She was not elected to be an ornament and will do her job, but it makes it difficult when board members are not informed. She expressed frustration that many things are being done and the Board is not made aware of them until after its been done.

Mr. Cake requested an opportunity for Board members to provide their budget priorities in a workshop session.

Chairman Sharpe requested Board members advise staff of their vacation plans.

It was suggested that the Board schedule the workshop for Board input on the budget during the week of June 26, 2000.

Board discussion followed on the TRIM timeline for the purpose of scheduling vacation around dates dealing with the budget.

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STUDENT CASE  
NO. 00-05-X

The Regular Business Meeting was recessed for the parent to address the Board in closed session regarding Student Case No. 00-05-X.

Mr. Wittmer noted that the parent submitted a transcript of the hearing this morning as requested by the Board at the May 2, 2000, Board meeting.

Board members informed the parent they received the transcript just prior to the meeting tonight and had not had an opportunity to read it.

Mr. Wittmer suggested that action be deferred until the next meeting in order to provide Board members an opportunity to review the transcript.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 p.m.