

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA
APPROVED MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
August 2, 2005

The School Board of Alachua County, Florida, met in regular session duly called at 6 p.m. in the Boardroom, 620 East University Avenue, Gainesville, Florida. Present were: F. Wesley Eubank, vice-chairman; Virginia S. Childs, Eileen F. Roy, and Janie S. Williams, members; W. Daniel Boyd, Jr., superintendent; and James F. Lang, attorney for the Board. Absent: Mrs. Tina Pinkoson, chairman.

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

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

Motion by Mrs. Williams Seconded by Mrs. Roy

Moved to approve the minutes of July 19, 2005, and Special Board meeting of July 21, 2005, as presented.

The question was called. Upon Vote: Motion passed 4-0

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Mrs. Williams Seconded by Mrs. Childs

Moved to adopt the agenda for the meeting of August 2, 2005, as presented.

Add the following as Action items: F. 4., High Springs Community School Waiver Requests, and F. 5., Ft. Clarke Middle School Contract Waiver Requests.

The question was called on the agenda as amended.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 4-0

BOARD MEMBER/
SUPERINTENDENT
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board members announced events and activities attended.

Superintendent Boyd expressed condolences to the family and friends of Mr. James McCawley, chairman, Alachua County Veterans Memorial Committee. Mr. McCawley was recognized for his tireless efforts in organizing events on behalf of veterans.

CITIZEN INPUT

A resident suggested the district increase its efforts in recruiting quality teachers.

REVISIONS TO THE
CODE OF STUDENT
CONDUCT—SECOND
READING

A Public Hearing was held on revisions to the 2005-06 Code of Student Conduct July 19, 2005.

Motion by Mrs. Childs Seconded by Mrs. Roy

Moved the administration's recommendation to adopt the revisions to the 2005-06 Code of Student Conduct as presented.

BID AWARD FOR
PROJECT SBAC A0038—
RAWLINGS
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
NEW MULTI-PURPOSE
BUILDING

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 4-0

Motion by Mrs. Childs

Seconded by Mrs. Roy

Moved the administration's recommendation to reject all bids and authorize staff to re-evaluate the project and revise as required to accommodate budget parameters.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 4-0

SCHEDULE
CURRICULUM
WORKSHOP

Motion by Mrs. Childs

Seconded by Mrs. Roy

Moved to scheduled a curriculum workshop at 10 a.m. immediately following the Informal Board meeting at 9 a.m., September 13, 2005.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 4-0

HIGH SPRINGS
COMMUNITY SCHOOL
WAIVER REQUESTS

High Springs Community School is requesting a waiver of the deadline of March 15 for submission of waivers and a waiver from the contract requirement that 6th-8th grade teachers' schedule not exceed 250 contact minutes per day. The 6th-8th grade teachers' contact time will be up to 262 minutes four days a week and 205 minutes one day a week.

Motion by Mrs. Childs

Seconded by Mrs. Roy

Moved the administration's recommendation to approve High Springs Community School's contract waiver requests as presented.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 4-0

FT. CLARKE MIDDLE
SCHOOL CONTRACT
WAIVER REQUESTS

Ft. Clarke Middle School is requesting a waiver of the deadline of March 15 for submission of waivers and a waiver from the contract requirement that a teacher's schedule not exceed 250 contact minutes per day. Maximum contact time per day would not regularly exceed 260 minutes plus 10 minutes for homeroom. There will be an average of no more than one extended AA time per week during the year. On those days maximum contact time would not exceed 270 minutes.

Motion by Mrs. Williams

Seconded by Mrs. Childs

Moved the administration's recommendation to approve Ft. Clarke Middle School's contract waiver requests as presented.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 4-0

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mrs. Childs

Seconded by Mrs. Roy

Moved to approve the Consent Agenda as described in items 1-5. (See Supplementary Minutes Book.)

The question was called. Upon Vote: Motion passed 4-0

CITIZEN INPUT(cont'd)

A citizen urged the Board to comply with the law requiring instruction of African-American history.

BOARD MEMBER/
SUPERINTENDENT
REQUESTS

The Board agreed to attend the Growth Management Workshop sponsored by the Florida School Boards Association on October 13, 2005, in Daytona Beach, Florida.

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

PUBLIC HEARING—TO
CONSIDER ADOPTION
OF THE TENTATIVE
MILLAGE AND
TENTATIVE BUDGET
FOR THE 2005-2006
FISCAL YEAR

Mr. Keith Birkett, assistant superintendent, reviewed the requirements on the Rolled-Back Rates for the 2005-06 fiscal year:

- Required Local Effort (RLE) – 5.355Mills
- Discretionary – 0.510 Mills
- Supplemental Discretionary – 0.250 Mills
- Capital Outlay (2 Mill) – 2.000 Mills
- Combined RLE, Discretionary, Supplemental Discretionary, and Capital Outlay – 8.115 Mills
- Millage History lowest in 16 years.
- Total Millage Proposed – 9.034 Mills – -0.190 decrease
- Impact to a homeowner with a house assessed at \$125,000 with a \$25,000 homestead exemption – (\$19.00) decrease in taxes for education

General Fund - \$ 198,033,692
 Debt Service Funds - \$ 13,019,190
 Capital Projects Funds - \$70,933,294
 Special Revenue Funds - \$26,766,539

The total millage rate to be levied exceeds the roll-back rate by 7.84 percent.

There was no public input.

Mr. Birkett presented the Board with Resolution Numbers 05-04, Tentative Millage, and 05-05, Tentative Budget, approving the tentative millage rates and tentative budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2005, to June 30, 2006.

ADOPTION OF THE
TENTATIVE MILLAGE

Motion by Mrs. Childs

Seconded by Mrs. Roy

FOR THE 2005-2006
FISCAL YEAR

Moved the administration's recommendation to approve the Tentative Millage for the 2005-2006 fiscal year as presented.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 4-0

ADOPTION OF THE
TENTATIVE BUDGET
FOR THE 2005-2006
FISCAL YEAR

Motion by Mrs. Childs

Seconded by Mrs. Roy

Moved the administration's recommendation to approve the Tentative Budget for the 2005-2006 fiscal year as presented.

The question was called.

Upon Vote: Motion passed 4-0

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.