March 9, 2018 SPAC Meeting Minutes

- Mr. McNeill opened the meeting by recognizing Brian Moore's letter in reference to the Sunshine law.
- Ms. Wynn talked about the SPAC information that has added to the School Board website (meetings, mission, agendas, and minutes).
- Mr. McNeill stated that we would try to limit the meetings to 90 minutes.
- Minutes from February 23 and March 3, 2018 were approved, and will be added to the School Board website.
- Mr. McNeill stated he met with the superintendent this morning to discuss the work SPAC is doing, and how we are getting the information to the community.
- Ms. Johnson suggested that we put frequently asked questions on the website.
- John presented a recap of the data provided at the previous meetings.
- Mr. Castine elaborated on the Urban Cluster (unincorporated Alachua County, outside the Gainesville City limits). If parcels are in the Urban Cluster they can have access to city water and sewer. Anything outside the urban cluster will require the County Commissioner's approval.
- There are 96 parcels in the Urban Cluster that are greater than or equal to 25 acres, vacant, and not owned by the State or University of Florida.
- The committee agreed to remove potential sites for an elementary school in the areas of the airport noise contours, areas on the Kopper's superfund site, and anything in the already approved plan use development areas.
- Mr. Castine suggested that we add in school board owned properties.
- Ms. Wynn suggested we add in any already approved planned use development that includes educational facilities including Oakmont and Town of Tioga (approximately 15 acres).
- Mr. McNeill stated that land price should be a determining factor.
- The committee agreed to use parcels with a 200+ walkers within a 2-miles walking distance (actual travel distance) of a potential new school location, that are currently unable to walk to school, as a priority.

- The next step will be to eliminate parcels that do not have a minimum of 25 acres after the flood plain is eliminated, developed sites, and anything that does not allow for a minimum of 200 walkers (that currently can't walk to school) within 2 miles of the proposed new school location. Mr. Gilreath will have this data available for analysis at the next meeting.
- Next meeting Mr. Gilreath will use the 2016 census data to show us income, ages and racial makeup of the areas.
- Ms. Johnson conducted a presentation on facilities needs and the proposed ½ cent sales tax initiative to the SPAC Committee.
- In addition to recommending the new school site. The SPAC will provide recommendations to Superintendent Clarke for sales tax initiative major projects that affect capacity (increasing or decreasing).
- Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.