

FRANKLIN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
Final Budget Hearing and Regular School Board Meeting

September 8, 2011 - 6:00 p.m. - Willie Speed School Board Room

The Final Budget Hearing and /Regular School Board Meeting was held on the above date with the following members present: Chairman Jimmy Gander, Ms. Teresa Ann Martin, Mr. George Thompson & Mr. Carlton Whaley. Also present were Nina Marks, Superintendent and Barbara Sanders, Board Attorney. Mr. David Hinton was not in attendance.

1 CALL TO ORDER/APPROVE AGENDA

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jimmy Gander.

Chairman Gander added, per Superintendent Marks' request, items #13 I 2011 Homeless Liaison, #23 S Travel Request Roy Carroll - Risk Management, #8B FCSB Attorney Barbara Sanders, #8C FCSB Members, under #16A remove Gregory Tennille from the Sub List and under #12 change incorrect spelling from A+ Marcum to A+Markem.

2 INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Jimmy Gander gave the invocation, followed by the pledge to the flag.

3 PUBLIC HEARING

- A. 2011-2012 Franklin School District Final Millage (R. Carroll)
- B. 2011-2012 Franklin School District Final Budget (R. Carroll)

Chairman Gander announced the Final Millage of 5.049 mills and opened the public hearing for the 2011-2012 Franklin County School District Final Millage and Final Budget.

Ms. Gail Rieglemayer represented the Concerned Citizens of Franklin County with budget questions and suggestions to the Board.

Chairman Gander advised Ms. Rieglemayer that the Board was required to adopt the final budget on this date.

Subjects of the discussions were different money saving strategies, how the school grade and teacher pay do not reflect each other when compared to surrounding districts, requesting of FCSB members to take a 10% cut in pay, employees "double dipping" in regards to insurance.

Mr. Thompson led a discussion about a \$1.3 million cut in the budget.

Mr. Carroll advised the Board that this is the budget numbers at this time, but the state and federal numbers that the budget is based on change constantly.

The answer to Mr. Thompson's question was that the \$1.3 million less in the budget is equal to the negative difference in tax dollars raised this year than last year.

Mr. Allen Pfeifer also addressed the Board about his tax concerns and offered suggestions for budget cuts as well.

Chairman Gander called for a motion to approve items as he stated, as follows:

4 Millage/Budget

- A 2011-2012 Franklin County School District Final Millage
 - 1. Required Local Effort 2.801
 - 2. Basic Discretionary 0.748
 - 3. Capital Outlay 1.00
 - 4. Additional 0.500
- B. 2011-2012 Franklin County School District Final Budget
- C. Resolution Number ESE 524 Adopting Final Millage Rates
- D. Resolution Number 06-04 Adopting Final Budget
- E. Categorical Flexible Spending Resolution

Mr. Whaley moved to approve #4A 1, 2, 3, 4 as stated by Chairman Gander, second by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously

Ms. Martin moved to approve #4B, second by Mr. Whaley. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whaley move to approve item #4C, second by Mr. Martin. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Martin moved to approve item #4D, second by Mr. Whaley. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whaley moved to approve #4E, second by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously.

A recording of the entire preceding is available, upon request, for a fee.

5 Adjournment

Chairman Gander adjourned the Public Hearing.

6 CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gander called the Regular Meeting to order.

7 ENTERTAIN BUSINESS OR PRESENTATIONS FROM VISITORS

No one addressed the Board from the public at this time.

8 REPORTS/INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Nina Marks, Superintendent

1. Presentation to Deborah Huckeba
2. PSBI Construction Manager Report
3. Value Adjustment Board Members
 - a. Board Member (1)
 - b. Citizen Business Owner (1)
 - c. Alternate Member (1)

B. Barbara Sanders, FCSB Attorney

C. FCSB Members

Superintendent Marks introduced Mr. Pat McDaniels, Executive Director, Panhandle Area Educational Consortium (PAEC), Ms. Sharon Mitchell and Ms. Faye Yongue also from PAEC. They had been active in creating the Teacher Evaluation System.

Superintendent Marks asked to set a Special Meeting September 20, 6:00 p.m. Superintendent Marks advised the Board she would make available the "Value Added" part of the Teacher Evaluation System in a packet before the Special meeting.

Superintendent Marks read for the record a prepared statement about FCS being honored as a College For Every Student (CFES) National School of Distinction. (Attached)

Mr. Whaley addressed the power outages and suggested that no one should circumvent how the systems are to operate and also to get a contract with Ring Power to maintain the generators.

Ms. Martin discussed her concerns about the score board, and maintenance department issues, especially the refrigeration issues.

A discussion of when and who to call in an emergency ensued. Attorney Sander advised that when students' health and welfare are involved anyone may be called to solve the issue without the bid or approval process by the Board.

Attorney Sanders had presented the Board with draft policies which reflected previous suggestions from the Board for FCSB Policies such as field trips, chaperones for school functions, suspension and dismissal, vandalism and mischief, transportation for field and other district sponsored trips and liability protection and use of facilities.

Further discussion covered using chartered vehicles as opposed to school district vehicles for out of state field trips, in reference to amounts of insurance coverage.

Pastor Themo Patriotis reported on a upcoming activity on the FCS campus. The program was "Future Now" which has a goal of helping young people take control of their lives. Pastor Patriotis was asking for endorsement of the FCSB.

Ms. Martin moved to endorse "Future Now", second by Mr. Whaley. The motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Marks presented Ms. Deborah Huckeba a plaque on the occasion of her retirement after forty three years with the Franklin County School District. Ms. Huckeba read a prepared statement of her professional career highlights to the Board. (Attached)

Mr. Bryan Boyette, PSBI, gave a monthly status report (002-9.8.11) to the Board on the Multipurpose Building. There had been no change to the Guaranteed Minimum Price (GMP) other than the alternates and the completion date still remains December 9, 2011.

Attorney Sanders suggested an on site field trip for the construction class. Discussion followed about the formalities of such a trip between Ms. Sanders and Mr. Boyette.

Mr. Boyette then updated the Board about the Bayside Environment Lab. He reported that advertising had begun for bids and that PSBI should bring in a GMP to October meeting. He also reported that the sidewalk to the dock is still being researched.

Mr. Whaley requested that Mr. Oehlert have a video of the building site made by the Video Production Class. The response was that this endeavor would be coordinated through Mr. Eric Bidwell, Mr. Oehlert and the Construction Manager for safety reasons.

Under item #8A3 Ms. Martin would be the FCSB member on the Value Adjustment Board (VAB), Mr. Thompson would be the alternate member and the Board would grant Superintendent Marks the authority to appoint the Citizen Business Owner.

Mr. Whaley so moved, second by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whaley expressed the need for lockers for the 4th and 5th grade.

Chairman Gander expressed appreciation to Superintendent Marks on the handling of the power outages at the FCS campus.

Superintendent Marks reported the cause for the power outage to the Board and the solution.

9 ITEMS ON THE TABLE

Items 9A & 9B remained on the table.

10 Minutes Approval

- A. 07/21/11 FCSB Special Meeting
- B. 08/01/11 FCSB Tentative Budget Hearing
- C. ***08/04/11 FCSB Meeting Minutes

Mr. Whaley moved to approve #10A, B, C as presented, second by Ms. Martin. The motion carried unanimously.

11 Student Travel

- A. ***Transportation of Students with Disabilities (B. Wilson)

Mr. Whaley moved to approve item #11A, second by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously.

12 Contracts

- A. Supplemental Educational Services Providers
 - All Things Through Learning, Inc. ATS Project Success
 - A+ Markem Club Z
 - A Quantum Leap, Inc. Covenant Word Christian Church
 - A Stepping Stone to Excellence Panhandle Area Educational Consortium (PAEC)

Ms. Martin moved to approve #12A, second by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously.

13 Agreements

- A. Franklin County School Board & Gulf Coast State College 2011-2012 (N. O'Grady)
- B. 2011-2012 Florida Virtual School Program Participation (N. O'Grady)
- C. 2011-2012 Croom's Transportation (B. Wilson)
- D. 2011-2012 Early Learning Coalition of Northwest Florida (B. Wilson)
 - 1. Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program Provider
 - 2. School Readiness Provider
- E. 2011-2012 Partnership Agreement - Capital Area Community Action Agency (CACAA)/ Head Start and Franklin County School Board (FCSB) (B. Wilson)
- F. Food Service Contracted Meals (R. Tennille)
 - 1. FCSB and Early Education and Care, Inc. (EEAC) Apalachicola Early Head Start Program
 - 2. FCSB and EEAC - Franklin County Head Start Program
 - 3. FCSB and (CACAA) - Eastpoint Head Start Program
- G. Service Providers for Students with Disabilities (B. Wilson)
 - ABC Rehabilitation (Physical Therapy Services)
 - Candice Sheridan OTR/L (Occupational Therapy Services)
 - John Michael Horan, MSW, Ed. D. (Behavior Intervention Services)

13 Agreements (Continued)

H. ***Franklin School District/Department of Education/ Division of Vocational Rehabilitation - Third Party Cooperative Arrangement for Community Based Work Experiences (B. Wilson)

1. Transition/ Job Coach - Revised Job Description
2. Barry Hand Transition/Job Coach

I. (Added) 2011 Homeless Liaison (N. O'Grady)

Whaley moved to approve #13 A-I, second by Ms. Martin. The motion carried unanimously.

14 Plans

- A. Direct Deposit of All Payrolls (R. Carroll)
- B. PAEC Master In-service Plan 2011-2012 Update (N. O'Grady)
- C. ***Franklin Take Stock in Children 2011-2012 Operating Budget (R. Carroll)
- D. *** Retention Fees for Employees' Fingerprints (R. Carroll)

Mr. Whaley moved to approve item #14A, second by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Martin moved to approve item #14B, second by Mr. Whaley. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whaley moved to approve item #14C, second by Mr. Thompson.

There was discussion about developing a plan of accountability which would include a report from the Take Stock in Children (TSIC) Director. Superintendent Marks suggested that she meet with Dr. Catlin monthly.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Whaley moved to approve item #14D, second by Ms. Martin. The motion carried unanimously.

15 Procedures

- A. ***Family and School Partnership for Student Achievement 2011-2012 (N. O'Grady)
 1. FLDOE Assurance of Compliance with s. 1002.23 F.S.
 2. Keeping Up! - Parent Guide 2011-2012

Mr. Thompson moved to approve Item #15 A1, 2, second by Mr. Whaley. The motion carried unanimously.

16 Substitutes

- A. ***September 2011 List

Mr. Whaley moved to approve #16A, second by Ms. Martin. The motion carried unanimously.

17 Positions

- A. 2011-2012 Food and Nutrition Service
 1. Lucretia Bloodworth

Mr. Whaley moved to approve item #17A, second by Ms. Martin. The motion carried unanimously.

18 Personnel

- A. Charlie Wilkinson - Organize Requirements for SACS-CASI Program (N. Marks)
- B. ***Updated Franklin District Schools Position Control Document, Staffing
2011-2012 Fiscal Year (R. Carroll)

Mr. Thompson moved to approve #18 A, B, second by Mr. Whaley. The motion carried unanimously.

19 Monthly Bills (Mailed to Board)

- A. 08/10/11 - \$289,790.73
- B. 08/17/11 - \$ 27,254.23
- C. 08/24/11 - \$ 35,462.66
- D. 08/31/11 - \$169,209.36

20 Budget Amendments

- A. ***2010-2011 Franklin County School District Final Budget Amendments/Report (R. Carroll)

Ms. Martin moved to approve #19, #20, second by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously.

21 Requests For Proposals

- A. Advertise Request for Proposals - Activation of Franklin County K-12 School Intrusion System (N. Marks)

22 Proposal Recommendations

- A. Modular Mailing Systems (R. Carroll)

Mr. Thompson moved to approve #s 21, 22, second by Mr. Whaley.

The discussion referred to item #21A.

The motion carried unanimously.

23 Travel Requests

- A. Terry Hilton/April Dalton - POWER Buying Group Division Meeting
- B. Four Food Service Staff Members - DOE, Tallahassee, FL
- C. Three Food & Nutrition Staff Members - FSNA Industry Seminar
- D. Roderick Robinson - College Board/Florida Partnership Meeting
- E. Terry Hilton - USDA Commodities 2011 Annual Training
- F. Nick O'Grady - Assessment Annual Conference
- G. Nick O'Grady - EPDC
- H. Nick O'Grady - Federal Grant Spring Meeting
- I. Nick O'Grady - EPDC Quarterly Meeting
- J. Nick O'Grady - EPDC
- K. Lisa Sweat - ESE Legal Issues Update
- L. Kris Bray, Charles Wilkinson - Failure Free Reading
- M. Kris Bray - 2011-2012 Failure Free Reading Grant Training
- N. Brenda Wilson, Frances Folsom - ISRD ESE Legal Issues Update
- O. ***Lisa Sweat, Mike Emerson / District Softball and Baseball Meeting
- P. *** Kris Bray, Harolyn Walker / Technical Assistance Meeting
- Q. *** Barbara Lee, Eric Bidwell, Jaime Duhart, Hilary Stanton, Melanie Humble, CJ Weyrich / CFES Regional Conference
- R. ***George Oehlert/Changing Standards / Assessment FYI
- S. (Added) Roy Carroll - Risk Management

Ms. Martin moved to accept item #23 A-S, second by Mr. Thompson.

There was discussion concerning item 23Q. The question was raised if only three could be sent and then return and train others. Mr. Eric Bidwell explained it was required to have a cross section of the staff to attend.

The motion carried unanimously.

24 Other

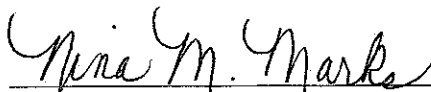
- A. Letter of Appreciation from United States Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau
- B. Florida Dept. of Education
 - 1. Revised K-12 American History Strand Remarks and Examples
 - 2. Change in Section 1008.331(5)(f), Florida Statutes
 - 3. House Bill 1255 Provisions Relating to Middle Grades Promotion and Course Requirements
- C. Take Stock in Children - \$9000.00 Fund Allocation Letter and 2011-2012 Financial Accountability Guide
- D. Steven Blumsack - Franklin County School District Partner with FCR-STEM

25 Adjournment

Ms. Martin moved to adjourn, second by Mr. Whaley. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned.



Jimmy Gander, Chairman



Nina Marks, Superintendent