

**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Kirby-Smith Center**

**OCTOBER 17, 2000
Tuesday, 7 p.m.**

The mission of the Alachua County school district, the vital force in the heart of northern Florida, is to guarantee each student will excel in every chosen arena through an education system characterized by compassion and integrity, an engaging curriculum tailored to meet individual needs and aspirations, application of innovative approaches, and the courage to continuously form and reform to meet every new challenge.

AGENDA

A. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 3, 2000 AND SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 4, 2000
- 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
- 5. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 6. RECOGNITION—Junior Achievement Davis
- 7. CITIZEN INPUT *(This provides citizens the opportunity to address the Board prior to the regular business meeting. It is requested that citizens keep their comments to approximately five minutes.)*

B. ACTION ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS

- 1. PRESENTATION—School Zone White
- 2. REPORT—United Way Campaign 2000 Childs
- 3. ACTION ITEMS
 - a. Superintendent Contract Chairman
 - b. Resolution—Exceptional Student Education Week October 15-21, 2000 Speisman

The Governor and Cabinet have declared the week of October 15-21, 2000, as Exceptional Student Education Week. The purpose of this week is to focus citizens' attention on the educational programs and services being provided for exceptional students, which includes both disabled and gifted, and their families.

It also recognizes ESE teachers and related personnel who serve these students. All citizens are encouraged to become more acquainted with these programs and the abilities of these students.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board approve the Resolution supporting the declaration of the week of October 15-21, 2000, as Exceptional Student Education Week.

- c. Proclamation—Red Ribbon Week October 23-26, 2000 Chambers

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board approve the Proclamation proclaiming October 23-26, 2000 as Red Ribbon Week.

- d. New Job Description for the Position of Tutor—Second Reading Cliett

The School Board approved the new job description for the position of Tutor on September 5, 2000, for advertising. This is a career service position that will be funded through a grant.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board approve the new job description as advertised.

- e. Schedule The Working Together as a Team Workshop with FSBA Chairman

- f. Support/Technical (non-bargaining unit members) and Administrative Salary Schedules, 2000-2001 Chambers/Cliett

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board adopt the Support/Technical (non-bargaining unit members) and Administrative Salary Schedules for 2000-2001 as presented.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board approve the Consent Agenda as described in items 1-11.

- 1. Employment of Personnel--Attachments A & B..... Cake
- 2. Bids and Requisition--Attachment C..... Chambers
- 3. Agreement with the Corner Drug Store, Inc. Dukes

This agreement provides peer mediation and anger management groups to the sixth and seventh grade students at Lincoln Middle School. The agreement would enhance the project's objective of reducing the number of referrals and suspensions in the school. Grant funds are provided for this purpose.

- 4. Agreement with the Alachua County Health Services Department and the University of Florida Department of Clinical and Health Psychology Department Dukes

This agreement provides psychological evaluations and recommendations for behavioral interventions for students at a cost of \$55.00 per hour. Total cost not to exceed \$10,000 for the 2000-2001 school year.

- 5. Agreement with Gainesville Association for the Creative Arts Omer

An agreement is proposed between the Gainesville Association for the Creative Arts and the School Board to provide an after-school program at Lincoln Middle School. The program will operate on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Wednesdays 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. from October through May 2001. Bus transportation will be provided for those students who normally take the bus. The program will include academic, sports, and arts components. As needed, a test-taking strategy workshop will be provided for students.

- 6. Extended Access to Library Media Services Omer

A proposal has been prepared for submission to the Florida Department of Education for an Extended Access to Library Media Services Grant. A total of \$5,629 is requested to allow the media centers at Rawlings and Williams Elementary Schools to extend their hours beyond the regular school day. Funds will pay stipends for media specialists, media aide salaries, and associated fringe benefits.

- 7. Dental Services Contracts Crowell

- a. An agreement has been prepared with Bertram Hughes, D.M.D., Family & Cosmetic Dentistry, P. A. to provide dental services to approximately 400 Head Start/Pre-Kindergarten children during the 2000-2001 school year.
- b. An agreement has been prepared with Ronnie Grundset, D.M.D., to provide dental services to approximately 200 Head Start/Pre-Kindergarten children during the 2000-2001 school year.

- 8. Early Head Start Program Improvement Grant Crowell

The Administration for Children and Families is providing \$25,000 as a one-program improvement grant for the Early Head Start Program. The School Board of Alachua County Early Head Start Program would like to utilize funds to improve the general outdoor early childhood environment and to provide adequate storage for equipment and other materials. Federal dollars will be used to adapt the area to meet the needs of infants and toddlers and to meet the Standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

- 9. Early Childhood Regional Technical Assistance Program Crowell

The Florida DOE will provide \$85,400 to fund this program. A Regional Specialist will provide training and technical assistance to Pre-Kindergarten programs throughout the Crown Region in the implementation of Developmentally Appropriate Early Childhood education curriculum.

10. Flood Insurance Chambers
The Florida School Board Insurance Trust recommends the purchase of flood insurance through American Bankers Insurance Company to cover School Board buildings/property located in a flood zone.

11. Agreement for Sale and Removal of Residence Building Wittmer
In March 1998, the Board purchased the property at 1614 NW 16 Avenue, Gainesville. The agreement provides for Karen Juliano and Raymond Deonna to purchase the residence building on that lot and remove it.

D. DISCUSSION ITEM

Board Member Requests

E. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: A Capital Outlay workshop has been scheduled for October 24, 2000, 9 a.m., Kirby-Smith Center, in the Boardroom.

Persons with disabilities who require assistance to participate in the meeting are requested to notify the Office of the Superintendent at (352) 955-7527 (Voice) or (800) 955-8771 (TDD) at least 48 hours in advance, so their needs can be accommodated.