

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

**October 1, 2002
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. CALL TO ORDER–PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2002**
- C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
- D. BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- E. RECOGNITION(S)/PRESENTATION(S)/REPORT(S)**

- 1. Character Education Student Artwork Cliett
- 2. A-Plus School Awards Rep. McGriff
- 3. Budgeting/Financial Update Birkett

F. SCHEDULED AGENCIES *(This provides agencies the opportunity to address the Board prior to the regular business meeting. Approximately five minutes will normally be scheduled for each agency.)*

G. 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.)*

The Regular Board Meeting will be recessed.

PUBLIC HEARING--*(This is the opportunity for the public to present testimony on this issue. It is requested that speakers keep their comments to approximately five minutes.)* A public hearing has been scheduled for 7:30 p.m. to consider an amendment to Policy 5.11, School Attendance Zones/Areas/Choice, to delete the prescribed implementation date.

The Public Hearing will be adjourned and the Regular Board Meeting reconvened.

H. ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Resolution No. 02-05--Exceptional Student Education Week
October 6-12, 2002 Speisman

- 2. Amendment to Special Programs and Procedures for Exceptional Students Documents 2000-2001 through 2002-2003—First Reading Speisman

The amendment to existing Amendment of Rule 6A-6.03019, FAC, special instructional programs for students who are gifted was recommended by a workgroup that convened in April and represented FLAG, META, NAACP, and PALS. The rule goes into effect in July, 2002.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board schedule a public hearing 7:30 p.m., October 15, 2002, to consider the proposed amendment.

- 3. Renewal of Group Benefit Program--Health, Life and Cafeteria/125 Plans Hotary
- 4. Revised Job Description—First Reading Pratt

This is an existing job description for a Computer Operations Manager that is being reclassified from an administrative position to a professional/technical position with a new title of Computer Operations Coordinator.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board approve the revised job description for advertising.

- 5. Sheriff's Office and Gainesville Police Department Security Charges for False Alarms Bryan
- 6. Student Cases Dukas
 - a. Student Case No. 02-21-SB
 - b. Student Case No. 02-22-X
 - c. Student Case No. 02-23-X
 - d. Student Case No. 02-24-X

I. CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The superintendent recommends that the School Board approve the Consent Agenda as described in items 1-13.

- 1. Employment of Personnel--Attachments A & B Pratt
- 2. Change Order(s) Approved under Policy 8.53(1)--Attachment C Tougaw
- 3. Bid(s) and Requisition(s)--Attachment D Hackett
- 4. District Consultant Services--Attachment E Hackett
- 5. Donations Birkett

Polly Mackay
 Ruth Johns
 Bosshardt Realty
 Karen Kilgore
 Rotary Club of Greater
 Gainesville
 Toys R Us

Norton Elementary PTA
 Gainesville Jaycees
 Stan Wilkinson, Inc.
 Alachua County Public School
 Foundation
 Davis Monk & Co.
 Emmer Development

Grace United Methodist
 Church (Graceful Ladies)
 Hope Thru Christ Ministries
 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Sidman
 Mr. Robert Morton

6. Agreement with Boys and Girls Club of Alachua County Omer
- A proposal has been approved by the Florida Department of Education for an after-school project, in partnership with the Boys and Girls Club of Alachua County. A total of \$72,554 is allocated to provide mentoring services to at-risk children in the district. The program will provide after-school home work help, tutoring, mentoring, computer assisted instruction, and other activities that will help members at four sites—North West, South East, Woodland Park, and High Springs—improve their academic skills.
7. Agreement with Santa Fe Community College Omer
- An agreement has been prepared with Santa Fe Community College to provide Child Development training for the Parent Education/Home Visitation/Even Start program. The contract covers an application fee, tuition, textbooks, and educational supplies. Grant funds are provided specifically for this purpose.
8. Early Reading First Partnership Agreement Omer
- An agreement with Lee’s Preschool in Alachua has been prepared for Lee’s participation in the district’s proposal for an Early Reading First preschool literacy program. This agreement is required for proposal submission to the U.S. Department of Education. If funded, this grant will provide a pilot reading readiness program at five Head Start Centers and Lee’s Preschool.
9. Subcontract with University of Florida Omer
- An agreement has been prepared with the University of Florida to continue to conduct work related to the research project entitled “University of Florida Teaching and Technology Initiative.” Under the terms of the agreement, grant funds in the amount of \$45,116 will be provided to employ a public school liaison.
10. Authorized Provider Agreement, American Red Cross Cliett
- The Alachua County Chapter of the American Red Cross will work with the School Board to provide American Red Cross CPR training to employees.
11. Title I, Part A Local Educational Agency (LEA) Plan, No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 Hall
- A plan has been prepared for submission to the Florida Department of Education for Alachua County’s Title I, Part A. The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 requires that a local educational agency (LEA) have on file and approved by the state education agency (SEA) a plan that is coordinated with other programs in this act, as appropriate.
12. Florida School Boards Association, Inc., Stepping Stones Pilot Project in Education Hollinger
- The Stepping Stones Project is a pilot project that involves five Florida counties, Alachua, Flagler, Indian River, St. Lucie, and Volusia. The goal of the project is to initiate systemic change around a topic or issue selected by the team members from each county.

13. Certificates of Final Inspection and Payment Gable

- a. Certificate of Final Inspection and Payment for Project SBAC CA713—Loften High School Academy of Building Construction

The project architect and the facilities department staff have inspected this project. It is requested that the Board authorize final payment to the contractor upon total acceptance. Final contract amount is \$1,462,920.45.

- b. Certificate of Final Inspection and Payment for Project SBAC CB838—Hawthorne Jr./Sr. High School HVAC Equipment and Ductwork Replacement, Phase II

The project engineer and the facilities department staff have inspected this project. It is requested that the Board authorize final payment to the contractor upon total acceptance. Final contract amount is \$476,378.52.

J. BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT REQUESTS

K. ADJOURNMENT

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.