

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 JANUARY 14, 2003**
- C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
- D. BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- E. RECOGNITION(S)/PRESENTATION(S)/REPORT(S)**
 - 1. Outstanding School Volunteers, 2002-2003..... Scarborough
 - 2. 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.)*
- H. ACTION ITEMS**
 - 1. Applications for Charter High Schools Lewis
 - a. The SIATech Charter School will have a 9-12 grade configuration that will serve students at Job Corps, an affiliate of the Department of Labor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board approve the application in concept for SIATech Charter School, direct staff to develop a contract, and schedule a public hearing for March 4, 2003.

- b. The Richard Milburn Academy, Inc., Charter School will target students at severe risk of dropping out of high school. The Academy will also serve students coming out of incarceration and long-term suspension.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board approve the application in concept for Richard Milburn Academy, Inc., Charter School, direct staff to develop a contract, and schedule public hearing for March 4, 2003.

- c. The DeSoto High School, Inc., Charter School will target language impaired, dyslexic students in grades 9-12.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board approve the application in concept for DeSoto High School, Inc., Charter School, direct staff to develop a contract, and schedule public hearing for March 4, 2003.

- 2. Bid Award for Project SBAC CD632—Westwood Middle School Classroom Renovation Building 9 Gable

Bids for the construction of this project were received on January 28, 2003. Recommendations will be presented.

- 3. 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 School Calendars--Second Reading Dukes

A public hearing was held January 14, 2003, to consider the proposed 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 school calendars.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board approve the 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 School Calendars as presented.

- 4. Budget Development/TRIM Calendar Birkett

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board approve the 2003-2004 Tentative TRIM Calendar, establishing July 22, 2003, 3:00 p.m., as a Special Board meeting for approval of the Tentative Budget for Advertising; July 31, 2003, 5:30 p.m., as a Special Board meeting for the Public Budget Hearing and adoption of the Tentative Budget and Millage; and September 16, 2003, 7:30 p.m., for the Public Hearing and adoption of the Final Budget and Millage.

- 5. Budget Amendments Birkett

- a. Budget Amendment No. 8 – General Fund

Budget Amendment number 8 includes all budget changes in the General Fund for the period of November 1, 2002, through December 31, 2002.

b. Budget Amendment No. 9 – Capital Projects Fund

Budget Amendment number 9 includes all budget changes in the Capital Projects Funds for the period of November 1, 2002, through December 31, 2002.

c. Budget Amendment No. 10 – Special Revenue Funds

Budget Amendment number 10 includes all budget changes in the Special Revenue Funds for the period of November 1, 2002, through November 30, 2002.

- 6. Student Case No. 02-29-X Dukes
- 7. Value Adjustment Board Chairman

As provided in Chapter 194, F.S., the Value Adjustment Board is comprised of three County Commissioners and two School Board Members. It is requested that two School Board Members and one alternate be elected to serve on the 2003 Alachua County Value Adjustment Board.

I. CONSENT AGENDA Chambers

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The superintendent recommends that the School Board approve the Consent Agenda as described in items 1-10.

- 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. Proposals for Start-up Costs for Charter Schools Omer

a. Hoggetowne Middle School, Inc., Charter School

A proposal has been prepared for submission to the Florida Department of Education for the Hoggetowne Middle School, Inc. Charter School. A total of \$150,000 is requested for start-up costs including equipment, facility leasing, materials, administration, salaries, and assessment and evaluation services.

b. Martin Luther King Academy, Inc., Charter School

A proposal has been prepared for submission to the Florida Department of Education for the Martin Luther King Academy, Inc. Charter School. A total of \$150,000 is requested for start-up costs including equipment, facility leasing, materials, administration, salaries, and assessment and evaluation services.

- 6. Proposal for a Reading First Grant Omer

A proposal has been prepared for submission to the Florida Department of Education for a Reading First Grant. This is a six-year program designed to

ensure that all students are reading at grade level by the end of the third grade. A total of 14 elementary schools and two charter schools will participate in the program. Funds will be used to employ school reading coaches, provide teacher training, and purchase reading assessments and materials.

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| 7. | Cooperative Agreement with Shands Teaching Hospital and Clinics, Inc.,
D/B/A Shands Rehab Hospital for Homebound/Hospitalized Instruction | Benet |
| | This is an update to an existing agreement that provides instruction to students who are homebound or hospitalized at Shands Rehab Hospital. | |
| 8. | Professional Services for Project SBAC A0031—Kanapaha Middle School New
Classroom Building/Physically Impaired Unit | Gable |
| | Interviews were conducted on November 25, 2002, for the design professional on this project. It is requested that the Board accept the following ranking: (1) The Rickman Partnership, Inc., Gainesville, Florida; (2) Paul Stresing Associates, Inc., Gainesville, Florida; and (3) David M. Jackson, Architect, Gainesville, Florida. | |
| 9. | Schematic Design Documents for Project SBAC A0034—Howard Bishop Middle
School Science Laboratory Building | Gable |
| | Hunter/McKellips Associates, Gainesville, Florida has prepared Schematic Design Documents for the construction of this project. It is requested that the Board approve these plans as presented. | |
| 10. | Utility Easement for SBAC A0030—Newberry Elementary School Master
Plan | Gable |
| | A perpetual easement between the City of Newberry and the School Board of Alachua County for the purpose of maintaining public utilities on the Newberry Elementary School property. | |

J. DISCUSSION ITEMS

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| 1. | Change in School Board Meeting Time and Agenda Format | Chairman |
| 2. | Alachua County Board of County Commissioners Joint Meeting | Chairman |

K. BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT REQUESTS

L. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: An Executive Session is scheduled for 12 noon February 4, 2003

Scheduled Workshops:

- January 30, 2003, 9:30-12:30 p.m., Facilities/COPs
- February 10, 2003, 9-2 p.m., Budget Allocation
- February 11, 2003, 9 a.m., Overview of Charter Schools & Development of Policy
- February 11, 2003, 10 a.m., Budget Allocation

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.