

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Kirby-Smith Center

FEBRUARY 18, 2003
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 FEBRUARY 4, 2003

C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

D. BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

E. RECOGNITION(S)/PRESENTATION(S)/REPORT(S)

- 1. Character Education Student Artwork Spreen
- 2. 2003 Teacher of the Year Honorees Snyder
- 3. District School Assistance Plan Update Lewis
- 4. 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.)*

March of Dimes Health Conference and Walk America Chain Reaction

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. Bid Award for Project SBAC CB636—Glen Springs Elementary School
Multi-Purpose Building Gable

Bids for the construction of this project were received on February 11, 2003.
Recommendations will be presented.

- 2. Proposal for Refinancing of Capital Leases Trainor

The district currently has two (2) Capital Leases whereby the district entered into agreements in November 1996 and April 1997 for the installation of quality control equipment and air ventilation systems, totaling \$7,780,564 with interest rates of 5.74 and 5.83 percent. A proposal is submitted for refinancing the remaining principal balance of \$3,131,379 at an interest rate of 2.85 percent for a savings of \$167,458 to the district over the term of the lease.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board approve the refinancing of the two capital leases.

- 3. Purchase of School Buses Shelton

At present the district has 53 school buses older than the School Board's replacement cycle of 12 years.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The administration recommends that the School Board approve the purchase of 20 school buses to keep current with the School Board's replacement cycle of no buses older than 12 years.

- 4. Withdrawal of Charter School Proposal Lewis
- 5. School Board Meeting Time Change from 7 P.M. to 6 P.M. Chairman
- 6. Student Cases Dukes

I. CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The superintendent recommends that the School Board approve the Consent Agenda as described in items 1-7.

- 1. Employment of Personnel--Attachments A & B Pratt
- 2. Bid(s) and Requisition(s)--Attachment C Hackett
- 3. Donations Birkett

<p>Alachua Elementary PTA Mrs. Pat Pfaff Lowe's J.J. Finley PTA Edward O'Meara Mr. & Mrs. Carl Mitchell Target Wal-Mart Foundation K-Mart</p>	<p>Publix Charles S. Chestnut IV Young Oil Company, Inc. Alachua County Farm Bureau, Wayne Oelfke Grace United Methodist Church Alachua County Public Schools Foundation Ms. Sarah Myrand Shell Elementary PTA</p>	<p>Hawthorne Woman's Club L & S Upholstery, Wally Grant Victoria W. Thompson Elizabeth A. McMahon Jill Carolyn White Lawrence S. Schoenfeld Frank Ostrowski Lucia Y. Yu Katherine Rajczi Laura Banta</p>
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- 4. Schematic Design Documents for Project SBAC CC632—Westwood Middle School Food Service Building Gable

Craig Salley & Associates, Architects, Gainesville, Florida has prepared Schematic Design Documents for the construction of this project. This project includes provisions for an Enhanced Hurricane Protection Area (EHPA) per state and county requirements. It is requested that the Board approve these plans as presented.

- 5. Design Development/Construction Documents for Project SBAC A0234—Lincoln Middle School Locker Room Remodeling Gable

Craig Salley & Associates, Architects, Gainesville, Florida has prepared Design Development/Construction Documents for the construction of this project. It is requested that the Board approve these plans and establish a bid date for this project.

- 6. Certificate of Final Inspection and Payment for Project SBAC CA740—High Springs Elementary/Spring Hill Middle School Roof Replacement Gable

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 \$724,073.55.

- 7. School Bus Use Agreement with the University of Florida Shelton

This agreement with the University of Florida Emerging Leaders Conference will provide for school buses to transport high school students on February 21-22, 2003, to Lake Wauberg.

J. DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

- 1. Rising Stars Middle School Athletic Program Wise
- 2. Rezoning Task Force Tougaw
- 3. Economic Development Advisory Committee Chairman

The Alachua County Board of County Commissioners is requesting that the School Board select a member and an alternate to serve on the Economic Development Advisory Committee.

K. BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT REQUESTS

L. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: An Executive Session will be held at 5 p.m., February 18, 2003.

A reception for the Teachers of the Year for 2003 will be held February 24, 2003, 7 p.m., Trinity United Methodist Church

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) in advance, so accommodations can be made.