

## **SCHOOL BOARD OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA WORKSHOP – April 14, 2009**

The School Board of Pinellas County, Florida conducted a workshop on Tuesday, April 14, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., in the Cabinet Conference Room, Administration Building, 301 4<sup>th</sup> Street S.W., Largo, Florida.

Present: Mrs. Peggy L. O'Shea, Chairperson; Ms. Janet R. Clark, Vice Chairperson; Mrs. Mary L. Tyus Brown, Mrs. Carol J. Cook, Ms. Nina Hayden, Mrs. Linda S. Lerner and Mrs. Robin L. Wikle, Members; Dr. Julie Janssen, Superintendent; Dr. Harry Brown, Deputy Superintendent for Curriculum & Operations; Mrs. Catherine Fleeger, Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer; and, Mr. James A. Robinson, School Board Attorney.

The following topics were presented and discussed during this workshop session:

- Budget Issues/Update
- Technology Plan – Presentation
- Inquiry Learning – Presentation
- Neola – Policy Revisions
- Leadership Discussion
  - FSBA & NSBA Upcoming Dues – An agenda item will be prepared to allow payment of FSBA dues only due to budget issues
  - Workshop agenda formats – allow more discussion time with items
  - Technology training for Board Members – a session will be planned for all Members to receive additional training with the electronic agenda and other updated electronic capabilities
  - Auditor General's Report & District's Response – This item will be scheduled on the May 5, 2009 agenda, prior to it being presented to the Board in a Regular meeting
  - Public presentations at Board Meetings – Discussion will be scheduled at a future workshop
  - Budget updates at Board Meetings – Discussion as to how this may be accomplished will be placed under Leadership Discussion at the May 5 workshop
  - Student discipline issues – Dr. Janssen will bring a plan back to the Board once she has met with the principals
  - Board Member Salaries – Efforts will be taken by the Board Members to object to the seemingly punitive measures being taken by the legislature against all aspects of public education

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- List of principals leaving the district/ DROP or retirement – Dr. Janssen will send an updated list to the Board Members
- Bargaining – Board Members will be updated on a regular basis regarding bargained issues. Discussion will be scheduled to identify the Board’s philosophy as to what should be included in the collaborative bargaining process and where the Board fits into that process. Dr. Ron Stone will provide the Board Members with a copy of the guidelines used in the process
- Planned retirement of Dr. Harry Brown – Dr. Brown will leave the district in June to take the position of principal of Renaissance College, a private International Baccalaureate school in Hong Kong

No official actions were taken by the Board at this workshop. An audio recording of this workshop is filed in the Board Office archives. This workshop adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Secretary

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