

SCHOOL BOARD OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA
WORKSHOP – October 25, 2016

The School Board of Pinellas County, Florida, conducted a workshop on Tuesday, October 25, 2016, at 3:32 p.m., in the Cabinet Conference Room, Administration Building, 301 4th Street SW, Largo, Florida.

Present: Mrs. Peggy L. O'Shea, Chairperson; Mrs. Terry Krassner, Vice-Chairperson; Ms. Janet Clark, Mrs. Carol J. Cook, Ms. Rene Flowers, Mrs. Linda Lerner, Dr. Ken Peluso, Members; Dr. Michael Grego, Superintendent, Dr. William Corbett, Deputy Superintendent, and Mr. David Koperski, School Board Attorney.

Review of Agenda: There were no changes to the agenda.

- **Instructional Calendar for 2017-2018:** The following documents were reviewed: *The 2017-18 Instructional Calendar, Student Calendar 2017-18, School Board Approved List of Special Observance Days 2017-2018 School Year, 10-Month Teacher Calendar 2017-18, and, 11.5-Month Teacher/Staff Calendar 2017-18.* Dr. Grego stated that Ms. Paula Texel, assistant superintendent, human resources services, will not be at today's workshop because she is participating in the Urban Schools Human Capital Academy meeting. A list of the representatives serving on the calendar committee was shared by Mr. Bob Poth, area superintendent; he is a member of the committee. He said there is a cross section of representation on the committee to include all stakeholders. The calendar has gone through a few revisions since the first draft was shared with the Board. Mr. Dave Richmond, managing officer, payroll operations, and calendar committee member said the start date for school will be August 10, 2017. There are non-student days for instructional staff at the end of each quarter; October 16, January 8, March 12, and May 25. The last day for students will be May 24, 2018. February 19, 2018 is a non-student day for professional development. Mr. Richmond shared that Hillsborough County has a similar calendar. Mrs. O'Shea asked if the proposed calendar will work with dual-enrollment students testing schedule. It was stated that it will. Ms. Flowers noted that high school graduations will occur in May 2018. She also asked if union representation had any concerns with the proposed calendar. Mr. Poth shared that Pinellas Classroom Teachers Association suggested spring break be scheduled March 26-30, 2018, which was accommodated. It was also suggested that the last day for instructional staff be May 25, prior to Monday, May 28, 2018; Memorial Day, which was changed.
- **Leadership Discussion:**
 - Mrs. Krassner: She attended the Clearwater Achievement Council meeting at Clearwater High School. This community partnership is aligning resources by working together in the Clearwater area to support minority students (African-American and Hispanic) in closing the achievement gap.

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 3:47 pm.

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