

## **SCHOOL BOARD OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA WORKSHOP – April 1, 2014**

The School Board of Pinellas County, Florida, conducted a workshop on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 9:00 a.m., in the Cabinet Conference Room, Administration Building, 301 4<sup>th</sup> Street S.W., Largo, Florida.

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

The following topics were discussed:

- **District Pilot Evaluation Project** – Dr. Grego, Dr. Lisa Grant, Mr. Bob Poth and members of the LSI (Learning Sciences International) team provided an update and an Executive Summary to the Board on the Teacher Growth Measurement Pilot being conducted in three elementary schools, one middle school and one high school. Also present was Mr. Brian Dassler, Deputy Chancellor for Education Quality. The following items will be forwarded to the School Board Members: The PowerPoint for this presentation; a sample of the survey questions that are being administered to students; and, the teacher video. Dr. Grego shared that schools that have buy-in by their staff members may join the pilot.
- **Charter Schools Update** – Ms. Dot Clark provided the Board with a status of the following charter schools: Imagine Middle – closing in June 2014; Gulfcoast Academy – charter company is withdrawing their request to continue, district personnel will be evaluating the possibility of growing an adult high school program and an update will be provided to the Board; Pinellas Academy of Math and Science – staff is working with this organization on various issues; University Prep – there is new leadership at this charter and Mr. Kevin Smith is monitoring their finances after seeing a negative fund balance.
- **Improving District and Schools Websites** – Ms. Donna Winchester, Mr. Norm Kelton and Mr. Tom Lechner provided the Board with a proposed plan to improve the district and school websites. The Board will take final action on the proposed vendor, Schoolwires, at their April 11, 2014 meeting. The Board Members requested that the PowerPoint used during this presentation be emailed to them. The roll out will be scheduled for August 1, 2014.
- **Leadership Discussion:**
  - **Mrs. Cook** – Suggested that the Board identify a Member to work with Mrs. Beaty and Mrs. Christy to organize a student recognition event for the month of May, tentatively scheduled for May 22<sup>nd</sup> at Pinellas Park High School. Ms. Flowers volunteered to serve in this capacity.

- **Superintendent’s Update –**
  - Shared that the Career Education Breakfast was a wonderful event and that Mrs. Lerner received the Frances Stavros Career Education Champion Award at this breakfast. Mrs. O’Shea requested that this event be shown on our television station and website.
  - **Mrs. Wikle –** Shared that somehow she became double-booked for graduation events and questioned whether another Board Member could assist in that schedule. Mrs. Cook requested that once the conflict is resolved that the information be provided to Mrs. Frazier in the Board Office.
  - **Mrs. Lerner –** Requested an update on the district’s initiatives to address chronically disruptive students. Mrs. Cook requested that Mrs. Lerner complete a Workshop Topic Request Form.

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 11:58 a.m.

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Chairperson

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