

Hernando County School Board

Mission Statement

The Hernando County School District Collaborates with parents and other community stakeholders to effectively prepare all students for a successful transition into a diverse and changing world.



WORKSHOP

Workshop
6-13-17
2:00 PM

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CALL TO ORDER

2:00 PM Meeting called to order on June 13, 2017 at District Office-Board Room, 919 North Broad Street, Brooksville, FL.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Gus Guadagnino	Board Member	Present	11:28 AM
Mark C. Johnson	Vice Chair	Present	11:20 AM
Beth Narverud	Chairperson	Absent	
Susan Duval	Board Member	Present	11:31 AM
Linda K. Prescott	Board Member	Absent	

The School Board Workshop was called to order on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 2:11 P.M., in the School Board Room, 919 N. Broad Street, Brooksville, FL 34601, with Mr. Mark Johnson, Vice Chair, presiding, and members, Ms. Susan Duval, Mr. Gus Guadagnino present. Also present were, Dr. Lori Romano, Superintendent; Mrs. Gina Michalicka, Deputy Superintendent; Mr. Dennis Alfonso, Board Attorney. Board Chair, Beth Narverud and Board Member, Linda Prescott were both absent from this Workshop.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Agenda Item (ID # 2321)

Informational Item on YMCA Achievement Gap Program that is Taking Place at SHES

Gina Michalicka, Deputy Superintendent came forward to introduce Karen Schearer, Executive Director of Hernando County YMCA. Ms. Schearer presented this item to the board.

Board Member Guadagnino asked what the requirements are for this program. Ms. Schearer explained that there are no requirements, but they do encourage students to stay the for the full duration, which is until 6:00 P.M. in order to get all of the components of the curriculum. She also stated they are ready to implement the program in one more school this fall, as there is a lot of preparation and is interested in going into other schools. Mr. Guadagnino asked what percentage of students need this program? Ms. Schearer stated that Mr. Maine would have the statistic based on the needs at Spring Hill Elementary School, but all students will benefit them. Mr. Guadagnino questioned how do know if it is a student problem and not a curriculum problem? Mrs. Michalicka explained that they need to make sure they are teaching to the standards and that is done through the curriculum. She also stated that the YMCA offers small group learning so it does have value to those students that need extra time for homework, studying, etc.

Vice Chair Johnson asked if there is free or play time for the students. Ms. Schearer stated that the kids absolutely do. She explained that there are different dosages of the components in the lesson plans, including a physical activity component.

Mr. Guadagnino asked if there were costs? Ms. Schearer stated it is a fee based program paid by the families of the student. She also explained that the YMCA never turns anyone away for inability to pay.

B. Agenda Item (ID # 2381)

Present Update of Energy Audit Agreement with Honeywell Inc.

Erik Van de Boogaard, Director of Facilities Operations came forward to present this item. Mr. Van de Boogaard recommends not moving forward with this contract due to current fund availability coupled with unknown ramifications of current legislation.

Board Member Duval stated she believes we should move forward with this and would like to hear from the representatives. Mr. Bueno Prades and Ms. Felicia McVey from Honeywell came forward to speak on this item. Mr. Prades stated he understands some of the concerns that the district has regarding financial and legislative issues. He believes doing nothing is not good for the district. Vice Chair, Johnson asked if the repair at Hernando High School (HHS) [that Mr. Prades] mentioned is on his radar. Mr. Van de Boogaard said that it was and that they are currently preparing a RFP. Mr. Johnson asked if this was a \$48 million investment. Mr. Van de Boogaard explained that they identified \$44 - 48 million worth of potential projects in the audit.

It was also stated that when projects are completed they are going with a more energy efficient unit. Board Member Guadagnino asked if this must be one way or the other, or can there be collaboration? Mr. Van de Boogaard stated he is not opposed to performance contracting, he is just saying that in this point in time, and given the uncertainty of the funding and legislation, he does not recommend moving forward. Mr. Guadagnino asked to revisit in the future. Ms. McVey stated that this is not the district's way or Honeywell's way. She said that they did work with Mr. Van de Boogaard. Mr. Johnson is concerned about moving forward as well and feels that we should postpone this decision. Board Member Duval asked if Honeywell is working with other districts. Mr. Prades explained that they were and handed out references from other schools. Ms. Duval asked if they have any school districts that are expressing concerns over having agreements with them. Mr. Prades stated he does know of any concerns from other districts. Dr. Romano stated that she trusts Mr. Van de Boogaard's recommendation and the data to support that the timing is not right to move forward.

The consensus of board: Ms. Duval wants to move forward with the agreement. Mr. Guadagnino and Mr. Johnson would like more information and more time. They decided to reschedule for another workshop when Mrs. Narverud and Mrs. Prescott are present.

Mr. Van de Boogaard wanted to clarify that this board agenda item was put together over three (3) weeks ago knowing less than what we know now and we still do not know everything related to where we are headed with legislative, millage and various tax implications. His recommendation is that we don't move forward with it at this time, he is not saying to not move forward with it at all. Mr. Van de Boogaard stated that he will move forward with Honeywell to do whatever we need to do contractually to extend our agreement with no harm to either party.

C. Agenda Item (ID # 2436)

Review and Tentative Approval of the Hernando ESchool Handbook.

Zana Brooks, Principal of eSchool came forward to present this item. Ms. Brooks went through the changes of the eSchool Handbook.

Mr. Johnson asked if teachers work one on one with students. Mrs. Brooks answered, yes.

RESULT:	TENTATIVE APPROVAL
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GENERAL COUNSEL

ADDENDUM ITEMS

GOOD OF THE ORDER/BOARD DISCUSSION**School Board Comments**

Mr. Guadagnino mentioned he has been working with professional billiard players and possibly has a donation of billiard tables. He would like to get the professional instructors to teach volunteers and get a curriculum going. Billiards is a very educational sport in other countries. Dr. Romano stated that some schools have asked to take part. Mr. John Stratton is the lead on this project.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:16 P.M.