

**Minutes
School Board of Charlotte County
Special Meeting
March 23, 2010**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sifrit at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Chairman, Sue Sifrit, Vice Chairman, Andrea Messina, Board Members Alleen Miller, Barbara Rendell, Lee Swift, Superintendent David E. Gayler, Assistant Superintendent Donna Widmeyer, and School Board Attorney Michael R. McKinley.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Sifrit called for changes and additions to the Agenda.

CHANGES AND ADDITIONS

Assistant Superintendent Widmeyer reported the following changes and additions:

Item F2g. - Personnel Addendum #1

On motion by Miller, seconded by Rendell that the school board accept the changes and additions to the March 23, 2010 Agenda.

Motion carried unanimously. Copy in Supplementary Minutes Book, Section 1038.

Chairman Sifrit called for Reports.

REPORTS

Jackie Speake introduced the winners of the 2009-2010 Regional Science and Inventors Fair for recognition.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Mike Riley introduced Jeannie Marquez, Port Charlotte Middle School teacher as the Teacher of the Year for School Board recognition.

SUPPORT EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Mike Riley introduced Support Employees of Distinction: Jane Curran, Paraprofessional, Peace River Elementary School; Laura Gerow, Administrative Assistant, Charlotte High School; Mary Ellen Meek, ESE Bus Driver, Transportation, and Donette Todd, Confidential Secretary at L.A. Ainger Middle School. Mr. Philip James, Paraprofessional at Murdock Middle School was recognized as the Support Employee of the Year.

OLDBUSINESS

Chairman Sifrit called for Old Business. There were no Old Business Items for discussion.

NEWBUSINESS

Chairman Sifrit called for New Business.

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Swift, seconded by Messina, that the school board approve the routine items on the consent agenda as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously. Copy in Supplementary Minutes Book, Section 1028.

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS
NUMBER 1-6 FOR 2009-2010**

On motion by Rendell, seconded by Miller, that the school board approve Budget Amendments Number One through Six for the 2009-2010 Year as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously. Copy in Supplementary Minutes Book, Section 1038.

**MPES - CONSTRUCTION
MANAGER AT RISK**

On motion by Miller, seconded by Rendell, that the school board approve the Construction Manager at Risk Contract Approval for Meadow Park Elementary Remodel/Renovation and New Construction as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously. Copy in Supplementary Minutes Book, Section 1038.

FINAL DRAWINGS - MPES

On motion by Miller, seconded by Rendell, that the school board approve the Final Drawings for Meadow Park Elementary Remodel/Renovation and New Construction as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously. Copy in Supplementary Minutes Book, Section 1038.

On motion by Rendell, seconded by Swift, that the school board approve Hurricane Charley Recovery Charlotte High School Phase IV Field House Final Pay Request as presented.

Motion carried unanimously. Copy in Supplementary Minutes Book, Section 1038.

On motion by Miller, seconded by Rendell, that the school board approve the Yearly Review of School Board Policy #5120 - Student Assignment Within District as presented.

Motion carried unanimously. Copy in Supplementary Minutes Book, Section 1038.

On motion by Swift, seconded by Miller, that the school board approve the Revised 2009-2010 Year-Round School Calendar as amended.

Motion carried unanimously. Copy in Supplementary Minutes Book, Section 1038.

On motion by Swift, seconded by Miller, that the school board approve the Personnel Action and Job Descriptions as amended.

Motion carried unanimously. Copy in Supplementary Minutes Book, Section 1038.

Chairman Sifrit called for Citizen Comment.

Mr. Brian Dunlavey addressed the board concerning school boundary and transportation provisions for students residing in the Burnt Store Meadows community of Punta Gorda.

Chairman Sifrit called for Attorney Comment. There were no comments.

Chairman Sifrit called for Board Member Comments.

Mr. Swift commended the quality performances of drama students throughout the district and stated he would be attending sessions at the Florida School Board Association meeting, and would be sharing district views with our local legislators.

Mrs. Messina presented framed "Picture Clouds" comprised of the words submitted by Junior Charlotte students used to describe what our district mission of "Student Success" meant. Words such as maturity, accomplishment, integrity, pride, and achievement were among the many words used as a descriptor, testing was not a word used to measure student success. The framed picture clouds were presented to each board member, and to the Superintendent.

Mrs. Miller complimented the inclusion of high school band students joining the U.S. Navy Band Concert on March 11, 2010, reported her enjoyment at the interview with author Stephen King at the Port Charlotte Cultural Center on March 20, 2010, and remarked on the importance of reading to children on a daily basis.

Mrs. Rendell wished board members Swift and Messina good luck as they travel to Tallahassee to address local legislators with representation on controversial issues, specifically House Bill #6, as it relates to teacher performance and merit pay, and asked that a summary be sent back to the district on the activities of the week.

Mrs. Sifrit congratulated the Port Charlotte High School Model United Nations team on their continued victory of winning 15 of 18 possible category awards, announced that March was National Social Worker's Month, Music in Our Schools Month, and Youth Art Month, congratulated L.A. Ainger Middle School band students on their recent superior rating, encouraged everyone to visit the www.florida.edo.com website to encourage "Google" to relocate to Charlotte County, thanked Dr. Widmeyer for directing the meeting, and thanked Dr. Gayler for providing the inservice opportunities to the Assistant Superintendents.

CHS FINAL PAY REQUEST
PHASE IV FIELD HOUSE

SBPOLICY #5120- STUDENT
ASSIGNMENT WITHIN
DISTRICT

YRS CALENDAR AMENDED

PERSONNEL ACTION

CITIZEN COMMENTS

ATTORNEY COMMENTS

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

SWIFT

MESSINA

MILLER

RENDELL

SIFRIT

Chairman Sifrit called for Superintendent Comment.

Assistant Superintendent Widmeyer thanked staff members for their assistance during agenda review sessions, reported that as part of her personal master fitness goals, she accomplished 2.5k of a 5k Race recently held in Punta Gorda, announced that notification will be forwarded to parents and residents in the Burnt Store Meadows area that Sallie Jones Elementary School boundaries would be held in abeyance for another year, and would also make this information available to parents through the upcoming Kindergarten Roundup activity.

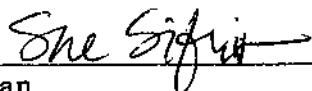
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Superintendent Gayler complimented the new "High Performing District" sign placed in the board room, stating the district has earned the distinction in numerous categories, wished everyone a restful Spring Break, wished Mr. Swift and Mrs. Messina good luck as they travel to Tallahassee to address local legislators, and announced the upcoming bond solicitation for the remodel, repair and replacement at Meadow Park Elementary School and Lemon Bay High School.

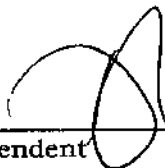
SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT



Chairman



Superintendent

Copy of the Agenda prepared for this meeting is on file in the Supplementary Minutes Book, Section 1038.